

**Gallatin River Ranch Rural Fire District
Board of Trustees Meeting**
Date: 6/16/2021 Time: 1600 hr
GRR Equestrian Center Tack Room
725 Equestrian Center Loop Road, Manhattan, MT

Present: Presiding officer: Vice Chair, Richard Anderson
Trustees present: Secretary/Treasurer: Sue Piechowski, Wendy Ward
Others present: Chief Marlin Sprow, Executive Assistant John Andrews
GRRHOA Directors Nancy Clark and Ted Draude

Quorum established and meeting was called to order at: 1558 hr

Public Comment: No public comment

Agenda Topic	Background	Discussion	Resolution/Follow-up
Approval of Minutes	Minutes of the 5/19/2021 meeting were presented to trustees prior to the meeting by email.	Minutes are reviewed and discussed	Motion to approve by: Piechowski Seconded by: Anderson Approved on unanimous vote
Treasurer's Report	Profit/Loss statement and balance sheet from April were presented along with the May expenses.	Treasurer's report discussed.	Accepted by acclamation
Fire Station Project.	This topic was moved up on the agenda to allow Clark and Draude to hear and participate in the discussion of the BOT about the latest modification of the Shared Use Agreement proposed by	The Shared Use Agreement was accepted last month and since then the HOA requested another modification to Section 10. This was distributed to all Trustees in advance of the meeting. This modification was deemed redundant but acceptable. Anderson made a motion to accept this new	Motion to accept the newly modified Shared Use Agreement by Anderson. Second: Piechowski Approved by unanimous vote.

	<p>the GRRHOA Attorney and to review the current status of the negotiations on the agreements.</p>	<p>agreement (which was sent to the BOT on 6/1/21).</p> <p>The most recent emails from HOA Board President Dave Smith, are discussed. Clark and Draude indicated that last week was the first time the proposed agreements were shared with the full HOA Board of Directors (BOD) since negotiations began. An email from Smith on 6/14 had previously been shared with all BOT Trustees, Attorney Dinwiddie and the financial portion with Manhattan Bank President, Charles Pipal. The possible additions to the agreements suggested in that email were discussed at length. The Trustees do not agree to add them to the documents at this time. A lengthy discussion followed. The BOT pressed Clark and Draude to understand that the BOT considers the agreements complete and ready to sign and to avoid further delay.</p>	<p>All agree that they want to move these agreements forward with dispatch and Clark will report back to the GRRHOA BOD.</p>
<p>Fire Chief's Report</p>	<p>Fire Chief's report was distributed to trustees prior to the meeting.</p>	<p>Chief's report discussed. Water supply modifications were discussed including a proposal to trench a 6-inch drafting pipe into the Castle Rock Pond to have an East-side water source. Chief Sprow will look into the technicalities of this and follow up with the BOT.</p>	<p>The Chief's report is filed.</p>

Unfinished Business

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Fire Station Project	The construction of a new fire station is an ongoing project. The Board is updated each month on project progress		No other new information aside from the matters discussed above
Manhattan Discussions.	The relationship between GRRFD and MVFD is the subject of ongoing discussions.	Chief Sprow will be touring Manhattan Trustees around GRR to look at our equipment and facilities.	For information only.
Grant Application Update	Grant applications are discussed.	The new RFC grant application is in process. The closeout process for the 2019 AFG grant is still unavailable. That grant will be closed out as soon as the mechanism to do so becomes available.	For information only.
Community Wildland Preparedness Project	This project is ongoing in an effort to better prepare the residents of the GRRRFD to prevent and respond in the event of a wildland fire.	One home assessment was done since the last meeting. Two more requests have been made and one is scheduled for Saturday. The Chief and Trustees believe that monthly email reminders to District residents will be needed to keep the matter before them and to encourage more to undergo assessments.	For information only.
Reserve Update	Reserve activities are reviewed at each meeting	Chief Sprow and the Trustees discussed the need for an additional training session regarding water supply.	For information only.
Auxiliary Update	Auxiliary activities are reviewed at each meeting	No new information.	For information only.
Facilities Update	Facilities activities not otherwise covered in the Chief's Report are reviewed at each meeting.	The need to properly house Brush-11 after a new station is built is discussed. Chief Sprow will query the Developer about the possibility of housing it in the current Station 2 facility.	For information only.
Disposition of surplus equipment	A number of items in the inventory are considered	No new discussion.	For information only.

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No New Business

Date, time and location of next meeting: Wednesday, 7/21/2021 beginning at 4 PM at the GRREC Tack Room

Announcements: None

Adjourned: At 1733 hr.

Richard Anderson, Vice Chairman

Date

Susan M. Piechowski, Secretary

Date