



# Teton County Fire Protection District

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## Board of Fire Commissioners

Scott Golden, District 1  
Jason Letham, Chair-District 2  
Kent Wagener, District 3  
Monica Hoth, Secretary

March 11, 2016

**Attendance** District Commissioners: Jason Letham; Scott Golden; Kent Wagener  
Interim Commissioners: Jere Lemieux  
District Legal Counsel:  
District Public Relations:  
Fire Chief: Bret Campbell  
Division Chief-Prevention:  
Division Chief-Training/EMS: Edward Schauster  
Shift Captains:  
Driver/Operators:  
Firefighters:  
Board Secretary: Monica Hoth  
Local 4667: Jared Colson & Adam Fletcher  
Public: None Present

## **Welcome @ 1410 hours**

Commissioner Letham welcomed everyone to the meeting

## **Minutes:**

Commissioner Letham asked for any questions about the February 22<sup>nd</sup> or February 25th meeting minutes to be approved. No questions were asked.

**Commissioner Golden made a motion to accept the minutes as presented for both meetings.**

**Commissioner Letham seconded the motion.**

**Commissioner Letham asked for all in favor, with all replying "aye".**

## **Claims:**

Commissioner Letham asked if there were any questions or comments on the February claims. No questions or comments were made.

**Commissioner Golden then made a motion to accept the February claims as presented.**

**Commissioner Wagener seconded the motion.**

**Commissioner Letham called for all in favor. All replied "aye" and the claims were approved unanimously as presented.**

## **Budget Statement:**

Commissioner Letham asked if anyone had questions or comments on the February Budget Statement. Commissioner Wagener asked what the Key Bank, bank charges were. Monica Hoth showed him where that was shown on the budget statement. Commissioner Wagener also asked about the Idaho Department of Lands income and what the remaining payments were and when they were expected. Chief Campbell and Monica Hoth explained that there were more than half remaining to be received and all was in order to begin receiving those payments soon. Commissioner Golden asked about the public education budget line. Chief Campbell explained he would look into that but could possibly be the pre purchasing of ads and that he didn't anticipate it going further. No other questions were asked on the budget statement.

**Commissioner Wagener made a motion to accept the February budget statement as presented.**

**Commissioner Golden seconded the motion.**

**Commissioner Letham called for all in favor. All replied "aye" and the claims were approved unanimously as presented.**

## **Resolution involving Maintenance Division:**

Monica Hoth made a brief description to the Fire Commissioners of the direction received from District Council, Bart Birch, on how to approve *Resolution 2016-0121, Declaring financial review of maintenance systems and authorizing reduction in force.*

**Commissioner Golden made the motion to accept Resolution 2016-1221 as written and to suspend the reading of the resolution three times, to instead read it by title only once.**

**Commissioner Letham read the title.**

**Commissioner Wagener seconded the motion.**

**Commissioner Letham called for all in favor. All replied "aye" and Resolution 2016-0121 was accepted as written.**

## **Emergency Medical Services (plans, proposals and interactions):**

Chief Campbell began the discussion by going over the letter written and signed by the Fire Commissioners, to be given to the ASD Commissioners upon their direction and approval regarding "Amendment to Fire District Proposal for Emergency" dated 3/11/16. This letter requests the opportunity for Fire Commissioners to propose another option to the ASD board when they meet March 28<sup>th</sup>. The second letter is a working document the Fire Commissioners would use as a cover letter to that additional option, or amendment to the proposal. The Fire Commissioners and Chief Campbell then began discussion of that amendment, referring to it as "Option C". A timeline of meetings and deadlines were confirmed next.

## **Chief's Report**

### ***Operations***

Chief Campbell began by explaining how and why the Fire District telephone numbers for Station 1 in Driggs, and Station 2 in Victor will need to be changed. Since contracting

with a new provider to phone services, it has become unavoidable that this is the next step. Though unfortunate, Chief Campbell explained he and Monica Hoth will do their best to ensure these new phone numbers will be communicated to the public. Similarly he explained other local entities have had to do the same when transitioning to Voip services. The Tetonia Station 3 and internet services will remain with Silver Star.

Chief Campbell then presented Fire Commissioners with the annual employee insurance renewal rates provided by Ballard Insurance, which takes effect May 1<sup>st</sup>. The rate increase and options were discussed. It was decided to have the topic again on the April agenda, and if the Local 4667 wanted to present any alternatives, they would be allowed to do so at that time.

Chief Campbell also reported that with the purchase of additional wildland equipment, the engines now meet the minimum standards for any potential deployment. He added that the Heavy Engines could possibly require more wildland equipment when contracted further away, but he wasn't looking to do that now.

### ***Training***

Chief Schauster reported to the Commissioners that the Fire 1 class (6 folks) tested and passed all the practical testing done in Blackfoot this last weekend. He is still waiting on their written scores. They will roll next into the Hazmat course which also has written and practical tests. An EMT course will follow that, sometime around April and going through June.

Chief Schauster also reported that the Upper Snake River Wildland group will gather in April for a Sand Table Exercise at the Madison Fire Station. This training is taking place April 8<sup>th</sup> and will be of interest if the Commissioners were interested to attend. The weekend after that is when Chief Schauster and Driver Adam Fletcher were granted acceptance to the 11 day Great Basin Engine Academy taking place in St. George Utah.

### **Recess**

### ***Adjourn @1540 hours***

**Commissioner Golden made a motion to adjourn**

**Commissioner Wagener seconded the motion, and adjourned the Board of Fire Commissioners until the next meeting. The next meeting will be at the County Courthouse during the ASD meeting on March 28<sup>th</sup>, @ 1100 hours.**