



Teton County Fire Protection District

P.O. Box 474
911 N. Hwy 33
Driggs, ID 83422

Tuesday March 24th, 2020 - Teleconferenced

In Attendance:

Jason Letham, Fire Commissioner
Scott Golden, Fire Commissioner
Bob Foster, Fire Commissioner
Bret Campbell, Fire Chief
Earle Giles III, Deputy Fire Chief/Fire Marshal
Ed Schauster, Deputy Fire Chief
Monica Hoth, Board Secretary
Bart Birch, Legal Counsel

On March 13, Governor Brad Little issued a proclamation ([attached](#)) declaring a state of emergency in the State of Idaho due to the occurrence and imminent threat to public health and safety arising from the effects of the 2019 novel coronavirus (COVID-19). For the duration of the emergency declaration related to COVID-19, the Governor has suspended the portion of the Open Meetings Law that requires public agencies to have at least one member of the library board or the library director physically present at the meeting location designated in the meeting notice. All other requirements of the Open Meetings Law remain in place, including providing the public with the ability to attend public meetings by telecommunication devices.

Meeting began @ 1530 hours

Minutes: Commissioner Letham asked if there were question or comments on the prepared minutes from the February 25th, 2020 meeting.

No questions or comments were made.

Commissioner Foster made a motion to approve the minutes as presented.

Commissioner Golden seconded the motion.

Commissioner Letham asked for all in favor. All replied "aye", and the minutes were approved.

Claims: Commissioner Letham asked for any questions or comments on the claims presented for the period **February 1st, 2020 through March 20th, 2020.**

No questions or comments were made.

Commissioner Foster made a motion to approve the claims as presented.

Commissioner Golden seconded the motion.

Commissioner Letham asked for all in favor. All replied “aye”, and the claims were approved as presented.

Budget Statement:

Commissioner Letham asked for any questions or comments on the February 2020 Budget Statements presented.

Commissioner Foster discussed the utility bills and hoped to get a better handle on the station utilities, as well as the cost of snow plowing, in the future.

Commissioner Letham asked about the bills that go under Telephone and Wi-fi. Chief Campbell explained how the internet charges, station phones and the hot spots in the ambulances all go to that line in the budget.

No further questions or discussion.

Commissioner Golden made a motion to approve the Budget Statement as presented.

Commissioner Letham seconded the motion.

Commissioner Letham asked for all in favor. All replied “aye”, and the Budget Statement were approved as presented.

COVID-19 Pandemic Emergency:

Chief Campbell gave Commissioners an update on “Where we are”.

- This included: Meetings and groups that have formed around the County in response to the pandemic. Meeting began Saturday March 14th with the announcement of the first TC positive case.
- Reviewed the Unified Command Org Chart
- Reported that all 4 Ambulances are in service
- Began recording health of employees and will monitor each other; mental & physical
- Supplies are being inventoried and coordinated with the staff from Emergency Managers office.
- We will be contracting Zoom.us for future meetings.

Chief's Report:

Fire Chief

Admin Assistant, Monica Hoth is working from home this week.

Hoyle has been promoted to Battalion Chief and will be returning to duty Saturday to begin working with Schauster on his transition to lead B Shift.

Also let Commissioners know there will be a weekly call in for elected officials and he will share that info when finalized.

Dep Fire Chief Schauster

Updated Fire Commissioners on the current stats for Idaho & Wyoming positive cases to date

Dep Fire Chief Giles

Working from home

Recess

Adjourn

Commissioner Letham made a motion to adjourn at 1710 hours.

Commissioner Foster seconded the motion.

Commissioner Letham asked for all in favor. All replied “aye”, and the Board of Fire Commissioners was adjourned.

