

MINUTES
of
Board of Trustee Meeting
WHITEFISH FIRE SERVICE AREA

July 26, 2017
Whitefish Fire Department South Station

CALL TO ORDER

On July 26, 2017, 7:00 PM, Chairman Bert May called the Meeting to order. Present were, Secretary Bill La Brie, Treasurer Doug Loy, Board Member Mark Carlson and Board Member Tom Kraus.

Also attending the meeting was Whitefish Fire Chief Joe Page.

Upon review of the June 21st Monthly Meeting Minutes, Mark Carlson moved and Doug Loy seconded that the Minutes be approved. The motion was approved unanimously. The Minutes will be forwarded to the Flathead Election Administrator for their records.

Treasurer Doug Loy had submitted his Treasurer's Report earlier for review by the Board Members. There were no questions regarding his Report and his Report was unanimously approved.

Loy also reported that the yearly Budget he authored and sent to the County was submitted on time and as of this meeting he had not received any response back from the County Treasurer. This is not unusual as the County is extremely busy this time of year.

Secretary La Brie reported that the Pinnacle Ridge Annexation Request was proceeding with the County and that the matter has been scheduled for a formal hearing with the Flathead County Commissioners August 8, 2017 at 9:00 AM. All parties of the Annexation Request have been notified regarding the meeting.

The Board had received two (2) bids regarding Seal Coating the concerned area at the South Station. A Bid from T-Bend was submitted for \$4,100.00. A second Bid from Crone Pro Seal & Asphalt Maintenance was submitted for \$3,050.00. After some discussion it was decided that Crone would get the contract with the following caveats:

1. The work must be completed prior to September 10, 2017.
2. That Crone's notify the Fire Department forty-eight, (48) hours prior to work being done so that Fire Equipment can be moved.

Chairman May stated he would contact Crone's with the aforementioned information and request.

Treasurer Loy was prepared to present an update regarding the meeting he attended with City Officials and the City Fire Department as it pertains to future needs. Fire Chief Page at that meeting had presented a power point presentation. Loy stated that he felt the entire Board should witness this same power point presentation. Chief Page agreed. It was decided that the best way to proceed would be to reschedule the August Monthly Meeting from August 16th to August 9th. The entire Board could view the presentation and this could then be followed by a meeting with the City and the Fire Department. The viewing will take place at 7:00 PM on the 9th of August at the Fire Station in Whitefish.

Secretary La Brie reported that he had talked to Roger Bergstrom regarding the 2017/2018 snow removal contract. Bergstrom indicated that he was not retiring and that he would be submitting a Bid for the Contract.

Secretary La Brie pointed out that since Ed Lieser was no longer a Board Member that the position of Vice-Chairman that he held was now open. La Brie moved that Mark Carlson be elected to fill that position. All Board Members other than Carlson voted for approval. Mark Carlson is now Vice-Chairman. It proves that Whitefish is still a Railroad Community.

Treasurer Loy also reported that since his remaining time on the Board is fleeting as he will be leaving Whitefish in the Spring of 2018, that he would like to start grooming Board Member Tom Kraus to fill the Treasurer's Position. Tom has accepted the offer pending further review of what the duties are and his ability to perform the necessary tasks.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 PM.

William J. La Brie, Secretary
Whitefish Fire Service Area