

**MINUTES
SOMERS VOLUNTEER FIRE DISTRICT
TRUSTEE'S MEETING
DECEMBER 13, 2016**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Bill Brass, Dan Vachal, Dave Hayes, Cardi Chmielewski, John Thomas

Department Members Present: Tom Havens, Jason Hayes, Mike Katchur, and Matt Borlandelli

The meeting was called to order by Bill Brass at 6:02 p.m.

The Minutes of November 8, 2016, were read. Dan made a motion to approve these Minutes. John seconded and motion carried.

Bills were presented in the amount of \$30,645.17. A motion was made by Cardi to pay these bills. Dan seconded and motion carried.

Two checks were presented to be deposited:

State of Montana Dividend	\$844.60
F.E.C. Capital Credits	\$ 76.36

OLD BUSINESS:

Lakeside Station: Dave got four names of contractors for the remodel, but hasn't called them yet. The Department and Board will meet to discuss exactly what we want, so that we will have something to present to the contractors.

Land/House: The last offer on the house fell through. Bill did a walk through on the house and saw several maintenance problems: window sills, floor molding, painting, etc. Bill wants to hire someone to do the painting and staining, and Cardi offered to find someone to do it. Cardi made a motion to get an appraisal on just the house. John seconded and motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

Spoonheim: Bill made up an invoice to send to Spoonheim's estate for the post office land rental in the amount of \$3,603.00. The Secretary will send it out, and will ask if the lease is for sale.

Firefighters – We have received several thousand dollars from the DNRC for fighting the Bierney Creek Fire. Dave made a motion to transfer \$5,150.00 to the insurance reimbursement account to allow for some compensation to the guys. John seconded and motion carried.

Bill will be gone for a couple of months and Dan agreed to be the acting Chairman.

Dee put in her resignation with no effective date, and so a discussion followed. It was suggested that the books be audited. Dan made a motion for Dave to call and see what an Auditor charges. John seconded and motion carried. The Secretary will try to find a replacement.

The board authorized Tom to dispose of our outdated turnout gear.

Bill will do a background check on our new Firefighter.

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Jason asked if Jeremy could buy, or if we could give him, the radio that is in his truck. It is an old Motorola, and it was decided to give it to him, as he will still be responding to some calls.

Tom wants to buy a locking fire proof file cabinet and will let us know the price.

Tom had some pictures of fire trucks and wanted to know if they could look at them. He wants to replace #8, but Bill thinks we should sell the older #1.

Meeting adjourned at 7:22 p.m.

Dolores Webb, Secretary