

HAINES FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
APRIL 14, 2025 MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 7:06 pm by Chair Garla Rowe with directors Dave Johnson, Peter Hall and Jay Wilson present with David Dethloff absent. Also attending were Bookkeeper Mary Lewis-Johnson and Chief Jerry Hampton. No members of the public were in attendance. Peter moved to accept the agenda, Jay seconded and motion was passed unanimously. The Chief asked for changes to be made to the minutes. Dave moved to accept the minutes with the changes, Jay seconded and motion was passed unanimously.

Mary presented the financial statement. A bill not on the statement was for \$84.15 to Dave Johnson for repairs to the compressor at the Muddy Creek station. \$497.69 was received from the Baker County Treasurer for taxes collected from the Idaho Power tax appeals settlement. Dave moved to accept the report and pay the bills, Jay seconded and motion was passed unanimously.

Garla said that the Oregon State Treasury annual verification for the district was completed with no changes. A discussion was had about the budget meeting coming up. At least 3 members of the public are required to be on the budget committee but more are allowed. Only 2 members of the board are allowed on the committee. We should be able to find enough people to be on the committee. We should be able to certify who will be on the committee at our May meeting. The budget meeting will be scheduled for 6 pm on June 9<sup>th</sup>, just before our regular board meeting.

The Ag West grant is still a work in progress. We should know by mid-May if we get it. The Leo Adler grant is ready to be closed. The Buerkel-Zoellner grant is still open but nearly finished. The OSFM staffing grant has been submitted but nothing else is known about it.

The Chief gave his report. There were no calls last month. The fuel issues with heavy brush vehicle 3883 are resolved. Vehicle 3832 is ready to go after servicing. Wildland Refresher training has started.

Peter gave testimony at the state Ways and Means Committee public hearing in La Grande on the need for safety equipment funding to rural fire districts.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:47 pm by the chair with the next meeting scheduled at 7 pm, May 12, 2025.