

HAINES FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
MAY 12, 2025 MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 7 pm by Chair Garla Rowe with directors Dave Johnson, David Dethloff and Peter Hall present with Jay Wilson absent. Chief Jerry Hampton attended by phone while Bookkeeper Mary Lewis Johnson was absent. No members of the public were in attendance. Dave Johnson moved to accept the agenda, David Dethloff seconded and motion was passed unanimously. The Chief offered corrections to the minutes. Dave Johnson moved to accept the minutes with the changes, David Dethloff seconded and motion was passed unanimously.

The financial report was put off until the next meeting due to the absence of the bookkeeper. Garla reported a payment to the district of \$366.99 from property taxes. Dave Johnson moved to pay the bills, David Dethloff seconded and motion was passed unanimously.

A discussion was had about the upcoming Budget Board meeting. The board is supposed to be made up of an equal number of directors and district residents which means five residents should be appointed. Only three residents currently volunteered. It is hoped to fill in the rest before the meeting. If not, the meeting can still take place as long as the numbers are equal and make up a quorum. The three residents who volunteered and were appointed were Chris Aldrich, Vicki Dethloff and Teri Brown-Johnson.

A discussion was had about the Seismic City Station Grant of 2,045,000 which was offered to the district. The instructions about how it works and the contract will be sent. If the grant is accepted, then most of the spending will not happen until the 2026-2027 budget cycle. \$250,000 would be put into the next budget for for engineering and design. WRK which put forward the application, must be paid \$5000 from the grant or by us with no grant. A motion was put forward to move ahead with reviewing and accepting the grant by Peter with Dave Johnson seconding and motion was passed unanimously. A meeting will be had after the review to decide if we should accept the grant before the budget meeting in June.

Garla said that the Leo Adler and Buerkel-Zoellner grants will be closed out by the end of the week.

Dave Johnson talked about the trainings at the Brad Allen house donated to the district. There were three trainings. The first was smoke training with Baker Rural and North Powder also participating. The second was also smoke training with just Baker Rural joining. The final training on June 10th was Burn to Learn. There were many people participating in this exercise. Our district, North Powder, Baker Rural as well as Pioneer Ambulance were involved with the Keating district chief, Buzz Harper acting as safety officer. The Chief recommended that a special thanks be given to Martin Neske and Dave Johnson for putting the trainings together. The board agreed.

Dave gave the calls report. There were 5 calls, 3 structure, 1 vegetation and 1 lift assist. The structure fire on Cole street got assistance from Keating, Baker Rural and North Powder districts. The Chief said that the OSFM grant for wages to fire district staff cannot be used until the next budget year.

The only board update was that David Dethloff may be gone in June.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8 pm by the chair with the budget meeting on June 9th at 6pm followed by the board meeting at 7pm.

