

**Spokane County Fire District #5
February 29, 2012 Special Meeting Minutes**

Members Present: Members Present: Todd Lehman (arrived at 3:00p.m. due to work), Larry Wendlandt and Gary Pietz. Also present; Fire Chief Bonnie Cobb, FF Scott Lynch and Brenden Feist from General Fire.

District Secretary: Carol Harrington

Time Meeting Began: 2:00 p.m.

1. **2011 AFG Grant:** The grant was reviewed and Carol wrote the amounts on the dry erase board so everyone knew costs. Brenden Feist laid out several blueprints of different trucks and the board, Bonnie and Scott looked at them while discussing options. There were many different aspects of the truck discussed but the main points were:
 - a. Bay Measurement
 - b. Turn radius/max. length of truck and width/lane width of most residents in our district
 - c. Type of equipment needed regarding response: Structure/MVA/Brush/Etc.
 - d. Portatank options
 - e. 2 door/4 door cab
 - f. Gallons of water in tank
 - g. Gallons of water pumped
 - h. Pump operation placement on truck
 - i. Compartments on truck
 - j. Engines; different kinds Cummins/Kenworth/International/Peterbilt/etc.
 - k. Traction
 - l. Brakes
 - m. Type of compartment doors: rollup/hinged
 - n. Dump valve placement
 - o. Lighting, LED's
 - p. Hose Reels
 - q. Pumps: Waterous/Darley/etc.
 - r. Codes and Standards: for truck/personnel/safety as well as WSRB for insurance ratings and Dept. of Health for BLS rigs.

The general consensus was that we would get a Pumper/Tender, 2 door cab that would carry all the equipment to respond to Structure Fires, MVA's and brush fires. That it would have a poly tank not carrying over 2,500 gallons. We should go for a higher torque motor (possible Allison tranny with 6 gears), pump and roll with a PTO pump; because of our hills we need a bigger engine. We need a true lock on every tire; Brenden said they would either all lock or only the fronts. We need hinge doors as roll-ups are dust/dirt traps and harder to maintain and keep clean. Pump controls will be from the back of the truck for greater side visibility and since most of our residents' lanes are narrow and possible lined with trees accessibility is easier. Hose reels and dump valve will be on the side of the truck as controls are in the back. Go with the best brakes we can buy. Check into FF physicals per NFPA and AFG Grant standards. The blueprints were left courtesy of Brenden.

2. **2012 Budget:** The board finalized their review of the past year's budget and finalized the 2012 budget as follows:

510	General Services	\$ 6,000
520	Public Safety	\$72,500
528	Communications	\$ 6,000
594	Capital Expense	\$ 5,000
597	Transfers Out	\$10,000
	TOTAL	\$99,500

The commissioners increased the annual volunteer compensation amount from \$6,800 to \$8,000 which is included in the Public Safety category. Larry made a motion to accept the budget as presented above; Gary seconded and the budget was approved unanimously. The policies and procedures will be discussed at another special meeting to be scheduled later. There was no other business. The special meeting adjourned at 5:40p.m.

Spokane County Fire District 5 Chairman

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Attest: Spokane County Fire District 5 Secretary