



BLUE RIDGE FIRE DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING ON THE 2020-2021 BUDGET HELD AT THE BLUE RIDGE FIRE STATION SATURDAY JULY 27TH, 2020

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – Meeting was called to order at 9 AM by Chairman Shannon Scott.
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – Chairman Scott led the assembly in the pledge of allegiance.
3. **ROLL CALL OF BOARD MEMBERS** –Board Members present were Judy Varns, Shannon Scott, Cindy Perelli, Jack Beale and Larry Lambert. Chief Paine was present by phone.
4. **A BRIEF PRESENTATION OF THE 2020/2021 FY BUDGET WAS GIVEN BY CHIEF PAINE.**

Chief Paine requested that we use the approve Tentative Budget copy for the presentation since he did not have the Tentative Budget Detail with him.

He read and explained each Budget item from the overhead display which included:

- FDAT is consistently trending at 17% of revenue.
- Ambulance Income may be as high at \$90,000 instead of the \$80,00 estimate.
- Pay scale has followed the COLA increase of 1.6%. 3 Full time employees will get step increases.
- Fire Training /Equipment – includes a 10% increase.
- Building, Equipment and Grounds; includes an amount for new Station Security System.
- Grant Expense: provides funds for a grant match if that is required.
- Capital Purchases: Provides \$2000,000 as down payment for a new engine.
- Capital Reserve: to be used for future capital purchase.

There were no questions from Board Members.

5. **CALL TO THE PUBLIC**

Chairman Scott asked if there was anyone who wished to speak. There was no one signed up.

6. **ADJOURNMENT**

The Public Hearing on the 2020-2021 Budget was adjourned at 9:20 AM.

Respectfully submitted: July 29, 2020

Cynthia Perelli, Clerk of the BRFD Board

Minutes Approved: _____

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