

## **Blue Ridge Fire District**

## 4.14.2023 Budget Committee Meeting Minutes

- 1. The meeting was called to order at 10:00am by Chair Brian Alexander
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance
- 3. In attendance:

Committee members: Brian Alexander, Mike Bourne, Laurie Hawke, Fire Chief Phil Paine,

Also in attendance: Casey Samsill, Beth Wise,

- 4. Chair Brian Alexander reviewed previous meetings' discussions. Version 3 of the tentative budget handed out. Goal today to have a draft proposal for the Board Meeting tomorrow April 15.
- 5. Chief reviewed the V3 Tentative Budget and answered questions
- 6. Discussion on PSPRS liability
  - a. Comes from Cash Reserve. PSPRS charges 7.2% this year.
  - b. Cash Reserves aren't making that much
  - c. If pay off, how would we refill the cash reserves?
  - d. Discussion
  - e. Recommendation to the Board: Pay \$100,000 this year with possibility of amending budget to increase PSPRS payment if appropriate later in the year.
- 7. Budget Recommendation to the Board
  - a. Accept Version 4, which includes 8% increase to maintain services and personnel.
- 8. Meeting was adjourned at 12:12 by Chair Brian Alexander.