



BLUE RIDGE FIRE DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING HELD AT THE BLUE RIDGE FIRE STATION SATURDAY JUNE 19, 2021

- 1) Call to Order –Chairman Shannon Scott called the Public Hearing held by the Blue Ridge Fire District Board to order at 9:45 AM.
- 2) Pledge of Allegiance: Chairman Scott lead all present in the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 3) Roll Call of Board Members: Larry Lambert, Judy Varns, Cindy Perelli, Shannon Scott and Jack Beale
- 4) A public presentation of the Fiscal Year 2021/2022 Budget will be given by Chief Paine.
Chairman Scott stated that Chief Paine was absent due to the evacuation of Pine/Strawberry due to the Ridge Line Fire and closure of HW 87.

Copies of the Budget were made available to those present.

Chairman Scott went over the categories where significant changes have been made and gave details of the successes in creating the 2021/2022 fiscal year’s Budget.

He began by stating that it was important to the Board not raise taxes for the residence of the district. He then discussed additional benefits provided and modification of the pay scale to allow salary increases. A stipend is being implemented that can be used toward specified benefits. He discussed the purchase of the new engine and how that impacted other purchases/expenses; no new employees will be hired this year.

Also discussed was the hiring of LEXIPOL to help manage/update BRFD policies. In addition, there was some discussion regarding preplanning for the purchase of future capital purchases and the 10-year plan.

Linda Hammer of Starlight Pines asked several questions on budget items and future capital purchases.

- 5) Adjournment
There was no further questions and Chairman Scott adjourned the Public Hearing on the FY 2021/2022 Budget at 10:00 AM.

Respectfully submitted: June 22, 2021

Cynthia Perelli
Clerk of the BRFD Board

Minutes Approved: July 17, 2021

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