

BONNEVILLE COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 1

Minutes of Special Meeting – Work Session held April 7, 2023

The Bonneville County Fire Protection District No. 1 (“Fire District”) held a special meeting of Commissioners on Friday the 7th day of April, 2023 in the Training Room of the Ammon Fire Department, 2137 S Ammon Road, Ammon, ID 83406 convening at 1:30 p.m.

The following were present:

Ralph Isom, Derik Nielsen, Dana Kirkham, Tyler Gebbs, District Operations Officer Dick Fowler, Ammon Area Fire Chief Stacy Hyde, Jason Wilson, Steven Berg, Keith Banda, Jon Molbert, Braxton Combe, Markus Hyde, Jeff Peterson, Jimmy Hitch, Jeff Hay, and Sean Coletti.

Notice of the time, place and purpose was posted at premises of 490 Memorial Drive, Idaho Falls, Idaho, as well as the Fire District website. A copy of the notice and agenda is attached to these minutes.

It was declared that a Quorum of Commissioners were present and due notice of the meeting had been posted in accordance with law.

DISCUSSION AND ACTIONS

1. **Call to Order.** The meeting was called to order at 1:30 p.m.
2. **Discussion and Reports.** The following items were reviewed and discussed:
 - a. A map of the district was shown that marked the locations of the current fire stations. Discussion was had on which stations are responsible for responding to the zones/areas of the District. Dana Kirkham spoke about the need for each station to be self-sufficient, as opposed to being reliant on the contract. Dana Kirkham circulated handouts which requested the average response times for stations within the District. Another handout requesting information regarding staff and equipment was circulated to the Ammon division staff. A final handout was provided that discussed the annual budget. A discussion was had on the current budget.
 - b. Mayor Sean Coletti reported that Ammon’s development trends show growth by Sand Creek Golf Course, which is south of town, as well as growth near the Flagship Homes’ land.
 - c. Discussion was had on who would respond to the growth areas, areas near the boundary line, and the area referred to as “no-man’s land”. Discussion was had on the need to discuss these matters promptly with the Bonneville County Commissioners to determine whether there are currently overlaps and/or holes in coverage. Discussion was had on the need to discuss and strengthen the current mutual aid agreement within the next twelve months.

- d. Discussion was had on the west storage station, and it being utilized as storage for the next three to five years.
 - e. Discussion was had on the grange being leased out as an event center and the necessary steps to get it leased out.
 - f. Discussion was had on the idea of purchasing land on the west side of town within the next three to five years. Dana Kirkham shared that she did not think that any land purchase or otherwise should take plan on the west side of town for the next three to five years.
 - g. Ralph Isom and Chief Stacy Hyde stated that they thought it was important to determine what the District was planning on doing with the 65th property within the next twelve months.
 - h. Discussion was had on the idea of acquiring land within the next one to three years on the east side for a station. Specifically, that the District should be looking at land on the south side of 1st Street, near 52nd as well as land off of 65th and Ammon Road. Ralph Isom discussed and recommended the creation of a subcommittee to determine what to do with the 65th property within the next two months.
 - i. Discussion was had on the need for the District to sit down with the Idaho Falls Fire Department to discuss its strategic mission.
 - j. Dick Fowler and Chief Hyde discussed staffing needs generally and noted the need for staffing in the east station.
4. **Public Comment.** No public comments were made.
5. **Adjournment.** There being no further business to come before the Board of Commissioners at the meeting a motion was made with unanimous approval.

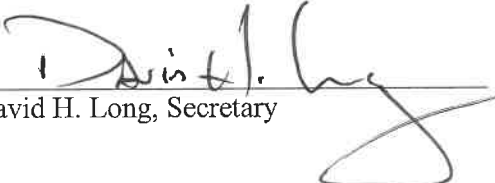
Approved the 13th day of July, 2023.



Approved by Board Chairman

ATTEST:

The undersigned, as Secretary of the Bonneville County Fire Protection District No. 1, hereby attests that the foregoing minutes were approved by a proper vote of the Board of Commissioners of the Fire Protection District on the 13th day of July, 2023.



David H. Long, Secretary

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

Bonneville County Fire Protection District No. 1


Friday, April 7, 2023

WORK SESSION

Notice is hereby given that the Bonneville County Fire Protection District No. 1 will hold a work session on Friday, April 7, 2023 at 1:30 p.m. The work session will be held in the training room of the Ammon Fire Department, which is located at 2137 S Ammon Road, Ammon, ID 83406. The Commissioners of the Fire District will take up the following agenda during the meeting:

- 1) Call to Order and Roll Call by Chairman Ralph Isom.
- 2) Discussion on the following topics:
 - (a) Overview of current community needs, existing fire stations, average response times, current staffing levels, status of equipment, and annual budget.
 - (b) Development of a 3-5-year plan, taking into consideration growth trends, service needs, response times, staffing needs, equipment needs, and resource allocation.
 - (c) Strategic use of 65th South (York Road) parcel including but not limited to the proposed building of a fire station or other facility.
 - (d) Steps towards development of a long-term plan (10 years +).
- 3) Recess/Adjournment.

DATED this 28th day of March, 2023


Douglas R. Nelson, Assistant Secretary
Bonneville County Fire Protection District #1