

## PENNINGTON COUNTY FIRE SERVICE BOARD

Wednesday, January 10, 2024

Pennington County EOC – 1<sup>st</sup> Floor; 130 Kansas City St., Rapid City, SD

The Pennington County Fire Service Board met at 7:00pm on Wednesday, January 10, 2024, in the Pennington County EOC, County Administration Building, Rapid City, South Dakota. Chair C. Dustman called the meeting to order with the following voting board members present: C. Maude, A. Ferris, T. Kobes, D. Harn, D. Lindblom, E. Chase, T. Deml, B. Povandra, D. Hadcock, D. Willett.

Others in Attendance: J. Dalman, D. Gorton, D. Hartmann, J. Harvey, A. Kuenkel, V. Newman, P. Schlieff, A. Scott, G. Sortland, M. Thompson, J. White, W. McDuff, B. Wilson, C. Gleason

### PUBLIC COMMENTS:

- a) C. Dustman thanked D. Lindblom and D. Hadcock for the wonderful dinner they provided.
- b) Brad Wilson, Insurance Benefits, Inc. - SDML Workers' Compensation presentation.

### REVIEW AND APPROVE AGENDA

MOVED by D. Lindblom and seconded by D. Hadcock to approve the agenda as presented. Vote: Unanimous.

### REVIEW AND APPROVE MINUTES

MOVED by E. Chase and seconded by A. Ferris to approve the minutes as presented. Vote: Unanimous.

### REVIEW AND APPROVE FINANCIALS

MOVED by Lindblom and seconded by Maude to approve the financials as presented. Vote: Unanimous.

- i) D. Lindblom shared we ended the year with a 10% budget surplus.
- a) 2024 – 2030 Budget – FSB Budget Committee
  - i) 2024 Budget Committee formed: D. Lindblom, D. Hadcock, E. Chase, A. Ferris
    - a. D. Harvey shared the current "Wish List" items that have been submitted: Particle generator for Mask FIT Tester; Sage Creek climbing ladder, CPR bags and mannequins.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a) FSB Training – A. Kuenkel summarized trainings that have started and will soon be starting.
- b) Emergency Management Report - D. Willett shared EM is moving forward with mitigation plans and defining WUI. Homeland Security Grant is open until February 15. Salamander credentialing handed out to each department and feedback requested. EM Specialist position interviews are being held this week.
  - i) Emergency Management Users Board - G. Sortland shared the next meeting will be held this Friday.
- c) Pennington County Fire Chiefs Association – Thompson discussed the 2023 banquet is still being wrapped up. The Midwinter Muster/BH Muster is being renamed the Rushmore Fire Conference. Registrations are up to forty as of today. Annual elections were held, and Matt Thompson was re-elected as President; Phil Schlieff was elected as Secretary. The next meeting will be in March prior to the FSB meeting.



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- i) Black Hills Fire Advisory Board – B. Povandra reminded all that contracts still need to be returned.
- d) SD Fire Chiefs Association – B. Povandra: Nothing to add.
- e) Communications – A. Scott shared information from the Motorola meeting regarding SmartZone and P25 radios. He and P. Dockter will be visiting departments for radio upgrades. Please email him with requests.
- f) County Commission Report – D. Hadcock thanked A. Kuenkel for her tour at Box Elder VFD. She discussed the Wage Study and buildings being purchased by the County.

### OLD BUSINESS

- a) J. Harvey gave Reference/How-To Manual Update. He reminded agencies to turn theirs in for the updates if they had not already.

### NEW BUSINESS

- a) Seating of 2024-2026 District Representatives by Chair C. Dustman.
  - i. East District: Charles Maude, Scenic VFD
  - ii. East Central District: Jason White, North Haines VFD
  - iii. West Central District: Eric Chase, Whispering Pines VFD
  - iv. West District: Dave Lindblom, Battle Creek Fire District
- b) 2024-2026 FSB Chair Nominations and Election:
  - i. C. Dustman thanked the FSB for his time as Chair.
  - ii. D. Willett nominated D. Lindblom for Chair. T. Kobes moved, nominations cease and cast a unanimous ballot for D. Lindblom. Motion seconded. Motion Carried.
- c) 2024-2026 FSB Vice-Chair Nominations and Election:
  - i. C. Maude nominated E. Chase for Vice-Chair. B. Povandra moved, nominations cease and cast a unanimous ballot for D. Lindblom. Motion seconded. Motion Carried.
- d) C. Dustman turned the meeting over to D. Lindblom.
  - i. Acknowledgement was given by Chair D. Lindblom for former Chair C. Dustman and Vice-Chair C. Maude for their time and efforts the past two years.
- e) W. McDuff, Human Resources Risk Manager – Update on switch to Pennington County insurance.

**REQUESTS TO BE ACTED ON:** None

### OTHER BUSINESS

- a) J. Harvey offered an update regarding projects and work completed by the Fire Administration Office over the last year and what is planned for 2024.
- b) B. Povandra discussed the Presumptive Cancer Legislature.
- c) E. Chase asked for a meeting change for next month due to their HOA meeting. It will be held at North Haines VFD.



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**NEXT MEETING:** March 13, 2024 @ 7:00pm | North Haines VFD, 1290 Country Rd., Rapid City, SD – Meal Served @ 6:30pm

**ADJOURNMENT**

MOVED by B. Povandra and seconded by T. Kobes to adjourn the meeting at 8:26 pm. Vote: Unanimous.

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