

**MINUTES OF THE SPIRIT LAKE FIRE COMMISSIONERS  
FINANCIAL MEETING**

August 2, 2011

32182 N. 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Spirit Lake, Idaho at 4:00 PM (PST)

**CALL TO ORDER:**

**COMMISSIONER MILLER** called meeting to order at 4:00 PM

**COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:** Commissioner Miller, Commissioner Hodge & Commissioner Russell.

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Fire Chief John DeBernardi, Fire Marshal Wayne Nowacki, and Bookkeeper Brandy Browning. Also present was Jim Stravens and Jeremy Comb both of J.P. Stravens.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIENCE:** Was led by **COMMISSIONER MILLER**

**1. Financials (4:00 PM):**

Checks were signed without any issues.

**2. Mapping Presentation (4:101 PM):**

Jim Stravens and Jeremy Comb of J.P. Stravens gave a presentation on having the Spirit Lake Fire Protection District Mapping updated. Mr. Straven stated that our mapping is a little more difficult because our District is in two different counties. The Commissioners asked Mr. Stravens about the cost to update mapping. He figured it would cost somewhere between \$3,000 and \$5,000; he will get a firm bid to the District by 8/5/11.

**3. Pitney Lease (4:20 PM):**

The Commission review the Pitney Bowes Mail Machine Lease. The Bookkeeper needs to confirm when the actual lease is up. The lease will need to be terminated 90 days before it ends. Commissioner Miller asked that the Bookkeeper note this date.

**4. Computer Network Proposal (4:25 PM):**

The Commission reviewed a suggestion made by the District's IT Professional, Joe Hume. The Department has had issues with its computer network powering down and not coming back up. In order to fix this issue Joe has suggested that all of the network hardware be moved to one central location in the Administrative Building at Station 1. The proposal was briefly discussed and put on the end of year wish list.

**5. EMS (4:30 PM):**

There will be several public meetings held over the next few weeks regarding whether or not Bonner County will be renewing its contract with Kootenai County EMS (KCEMSS). This contract allows for Spirit Lake Fire Protection District to transport patients from the Blanchard/Hoodoo Valley Area. Currently Bonner County is paying just under 40,000.00 a year for EMS coverage in the southern end of Bonner County to KCEMSS with roughly 16,000.00 of that amount being portioned out to Spirit Lake Fire Protection District.

**COMMISSIONER MILLER** motioned to make **COMMISSIONER HODGE** Spirit Lake Fire Protection District's spokesperson for the EMS issues with Bonner County; seconded by **COMMISSIONER RUSSELL** with a vote of aye by all.

**Motion passed.**

**6. Budget (5:00 PM):**

The Commission looked over three mock 2011 budgets and discussed different options. The budget hearing will be held on 8/24/11 at 4:00pm at Station #1.

**7. ADJOURNMENT (5:30 PM):**

There being no further business to be brought before the Board, the Regular Meeting was adjourned upon the motion of **COMMISSIONER HODGE** and as seconded by **COMMISSIONER RUSSELL** at 5:30 PM.

**COMMISSIONER MILLER** called for the vote and all were in agreement to the motion.

**Motion carried.**

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**Spirit Lake Fire Protection District, Fire Commissioners**

**Attest:**

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**Brandy Browning, Bookkeeper**