LRFB Public Meeting Minutes

June 20, 2024 at 4:30 pm

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1. **Member Roll Call / Establish Quorum/ Call Meeting to Order**

Minutes to be prepared by the John Noll, Board Chairperson

Meeting called to order at 4:31 pm.

**Fire Board Members:**

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X John Noll - Chairperson

X Jim Schmelzle – member

X David Weeks – clerk

X Steve Vargas – member

 A Lottie Herkenhoff

1. **Call to Public**

None present.

1. **Review Meeting Minutes**

Review and approve the updated regular meeting minutes of May 16, 2024.

Minutes were reviewed. Jim moved to approved the minutes as updated. John seconded, all approved.

1. **Old Business.**

Review of lot reviews for current Board members. David had one in 2017, and does not want another one. Jim had a review done last week. Mark recommended removing 50+ trees! Discussion of how many trees need to be cut to qualify for the monetary assistance.

Insurance discussion. State Farm will not issue new policies in Lockett.

Recap that Lottie is working on tracking lot reviews.

Discussion of emergency exit routes. John met with some people from Mount Elden Estates to discuss. David McDonald supports connecting Ryans Trail and North Mule Crossing.

1. **New Business.**

2025 Budget. Discussion of cost increases and their effect on the budget. Lots of discussion about reserve levels, and FB tax rates to reach a suitable reserve and maintain it. David moves to approve the proposed 2024-2025 budget subject to receipt of final financial numbers from the County, and possible changes to the FB tax rate to achieve and maintain a $20,000 reserve fund balance. Steve seconds the motion. Motion passes unanimously.

1. **Open Forum**

Discussion of fire hydrants and new water line. New hydrants will be functional when the new waterline is completed.

Discussion of posting the FB fire coverage letter on the web site.

1. **Adjournment**

John moved to adjourn, Steve seconded. The meeting ended at 5:31 pm.

1. **Next Meeting** The next meeting will be July 18, 2024 via Go To Meeting. Main topic will be the FY2025 Fire District Budget.