Meridian Rural Fire Protection District 33 E. Broadway, Suite 210 - Meridian, Idaho 83642 Meeting Minutes – November 9, 2020

Call to Order:

The Meridian Rural Fire Protection District meeting for November 9, 2020, was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by Commissioner Ward. Roll call was taken.

Attendees: Commissioner Marvin Ward, Commissioner Derrick Shannon, Commissioner Randy Howell, Deputy Chief Charlie Butterfield, Fire Chief Mark Niemeyer, Councilman Brad Hoagland, and John Fitzgerald

Approval of the Agenda:

Motion was made and seconded to approve the meeting agenda as presented. Motion approved.

Approval of the minutes:

Motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes from the October 12, 2020, MRFPD meeting. Motion approved.

Treasurer's Report:

- Approve and pay bills as follows:
 - ✓ Check #5349, John O. Fitzgerald, \$941.24, general legal services, Inv# 2020-11
 - ✓ Check #5350, City of Meridian, \$97,481.04 for September for 2020, Inv# 2738
 - ✓ Check #5351, Nampa & Meridian Irrigation District, \$283.42, Irrigation fees for 920 E. Watertower Street, Assessment #1045-1-4
 - ✓ Check #5352, Nampa & Meridian Irrigation District, \$288.27, Irrigation fees for 800 E. Watertower Street, Assessment #1045-1-2
 - ✓ Check #5353, Nampa & Meridian Irrigation District, \$283.42, Irrigation fees for 970 E. Watertower Street, Assessment #1045-1-5
 - ✓ Check #5354, Nampa & Meridian Irrigation District, \$284.52, Irrigation fees for 860 E. Watertower Street, Assessment #1045-1-3
 - ✓ Check #5355, New York Irrigation District, \$217.00, Irrigation fees (6 months), 2385 Lake Hazel Property, Invoice #024-001-01, #18134

A motion was made and seconded to approve and pay checks numbered 5349 through 5355 as presented. Motion approved.

- US Bank September and October statements and the LGIP October Statement were presented for review and approval
- Current net cash position is currently \$3,866,031.73

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- Commissioner Howell has received an invoice for irrigation costs for the Station 6 property on Overland. The invoice is significantly higher than the previous year. The City of Meridian took over the property in March of 2020 due to the opening of Station 6, but the land is still in the District's name. Commissioner Howell asked for direction in paying this particular invoice. The full amount of the invoice is \$521.78. Attorney Fitzgerald recommended the District proceed with full payment since the invoice is due December 20th and then, if desired, discuss reimbursement from the City. Commissioner Howell will pay this invoice at the next District meeting in December.
- Commissioner Howell received confirmation that the L2 form that was completed and sent in to the County has been approved by the State.

Old Business:

- 1. Update on Lake Hazel property, Deputy Chief Butterfield. The station sign is being made and it should be installed at the property sometime this week or next. The survey has been completed. Chief Butterfield will email the results of the survey and invoice to the Commission once received. Chief Butterfield has asked our Division Chief of Training to start looking into what costs would be associated with asbestos mediation on the house that is on the property. He will report back to the Commission at a future meeting as to the findings.
- 2. Approval of the de-annexation request by Resolution. Attorney Fitzgerald presented Resolution No. 20-003 that approves the de-annexation of 1971 W. Oakhampton Drive, Eagle, Idaho. Email correspondence has been received from the Eagle Fire Department stating that the property will be annexed into the Eagle Fire District. Motion made and seconded to adopt Resolution No. 20-003 allowing for the de-annexation of 1971 W. Oakhampton Drive, Eagle, Idaho, also known as Lot 4, Block 1 of Creighton Woods Subdivision from the Meridian Rural Fire Protection District. Motion approved. Resolution was signed. Copies of the Resolution has been sent to Eagle Fire District.
- 3. Update on PERSI and Elected Officials. Attorney Fitzgerald addressed the question as to whether or not PERSI participation is mandatory for the District Commissioners. His research of Idaho Code Title 59, Chapter 13 indicates that it is not mandatory. Counsel's opinion and advice to the District is that PERSI participation is not mandatory for the Rural Fire District Commissioners. If there is a desire for the District Commissioners to participate, then they can go through that process and the cost to the District could be researched.

New Business:

- 1. Approval of the 2021 MRFPD meeting dates. Tentative dates for next year's meetings was discussed. Motion made and seconded to approve the dates and times for the 2021 MRFPD meeting dates as presented. Motion approved.
- 2. Chief Niemeyer announced his resignation as Fire Chief for the Meridian Fire Department.

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Motion was made and seconded to adjourn the November 9, 2020, meeting of the Meridian Rural Fire Protection District. Motion approved. The meeting was adjourned at 4:25 p.m.