

**Fire District Board Meeting  
June 12, 2025**

**Called to Order @ 6:00 PM**

**In Attendance:**

Steve Lutz (Zoom), Dennis Blackburn, Josh Brown(Zoom), Duane Dasse, Felicia Snow,

**Review of Minutes and Minutes Approval**

Josh Brown made a motion to approve minutes of May 8, 2025. Dennis Blackburn seconded the motion. The motion passed with Steve Lutz voting YEA, Dennis Blackburn voting YEA & Josh voting YEA.

**Financial Reports/Bill Approval**

Reviewed financial reports and bills. Dennis made a motion to approve the financial reports/pay the vouchers. Steve seconded the motion. The motion passed with Steve Lutz YEA, Josh Brown YEA & Dennis Blackburn YEA.

**Reports**

- Chief's Report, Duane Dasse
  - There have been four fires since the last meeting: one in Boulder, one in Big Rocks, a fire at an RV park, and a field fire.
  - There is a need to get the Brion Head truck operational.
  - Duane will not be responding to any wildland fires this year, but a few firefighters are interested and available for deployment.
  - The handheld radios are not programmed; they are missing eight communication channels. Additionally, 15 vehicles will need to be equipped with the new radios. The VHS system is still functional.
  - Hazemat training needs to be scheduled. UFRA has stated that they will not offer scheduling until July 1, 2025.
  - Attendance at station training sessions has been low, and great involvement is needed from Battalion Chiefs to encourage participation.
  - The Bicknell engine was switched out.
- Steve Lutz
  - The SAFER Grant application is still in progress, with 13 days remaining until the submission deadline. Lexipoll will review the application before it is submitted. It may be necessary to submit two separate applications instead of one.
  - A \$10,000 state grant is typically available annually; however, the district will not be receiving this funding for the current year.

**Bicknell Station Engine**

- The engine is currently not working. A diagnosis needs to be made to see what the problem is. M&D will look at the engine.

### **Emergency Services Building (New Station)**

- The Wayne County Commission met with the engineers. Within the next 10 days the engineers will bring back the plans. The Fire District would like to review the plans. The apron will be down graded, there will be no stripping, 1 bay shorter. Harward and Rees will be the contractor for the project.

### **Tax Revenue**

- The Rural Health Care Tax should be implemented in July. Felicia Snow, should see the reports in August reflecting the new tax.

### **Cell Phones**

- Cell phone is being shut off due to the phone bill not being paid on time.

Dennis made a motion to approve the clerk's office to pay the Verizon bill when it comes in the mail. Josh seconded the motion. The motion passed.

### **Personnel (Closed Session)**

- There is no need for a closed session

### **Other Business**

- Training needs to be provided to firefighters driving manual vehicles. The district should consider buying an automatic.

### **Adourn**

- Josh made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:03 pm. Dennis seconded the motion. The motion passed.