Indian Valley Rural Fire District
Regular Commission Meeting & Public Hearing on Proposed Budget
Indian Valley Fire Hall
August 1, 2023

Attendees: Commissioners Wendy Green, Charles Caruso; Chief Josh Barritt.
Chairman Phil Holmes was absent.
Public: Carolyn Barritt

Green called the meeting to order at 6:08 p.m..

Caruso moved to approve the agenda as presented; Green seconded; approved.

Green opened the public hearing on the proposed budget for 2023-2024 at 6:09 p.m.

Caruso moved to approve the minutes of the July 11, 2023 regular meeting as presented; seconded; passed.

Caruso presented the **treasurer's report**. We have not yet received this month's bank statement. Monthly **expenses** included: Idaho Power, $169.31; Record-Reporter, legal notice: $91.70; Firefighter Training & Support, $57.21; Postage, $13.20; Waldo Insurance, annual insurance premium, $5823. Bill Matthews has not submitted an invoice for his repairs on the main tender. **Revenues** included bank interest of $19.92. **Green moved to accept and file treasurer's report; Caruso seconded; passed.**

Chief's Remarks: Chief Barritt looked at a tender for sale in Twin Falls, but the tank was too rusty and it had no cross-baffles. Barritt and Captain Tony Dunham continue to search for a suitable tender to replace the old one at Goodrich. Barritt also provided our specifications to a buyer who purchases trucks at auction for resale. He will keep an eye out for a suitable tender and notify Barritt if something becomes available.

There was discussion of funds available for tender purchase after we pay for water storage tank improvements at Goodrich of approximately $5000, replacement of a pump engine on one truck for $5000, and HVAC upgrades of $20,000. That will leave more than $80,000 in reserve for purchase of apparatus.

There was discussion of priorities for use of the $5000 grant from Adams County Health Center. In addition to items listed in the grant application, the structure engine at Goodrich needs about $400 worth of batteries replaced, along with a battery maintainer. Other priorities include purchase of a backup generator for the IV station, along with supplies for treating casualties, to make the facility usable as an emergency shelter. **Caruso moved to approve the chief's proposed purchases using ACHC grant funds; Green seconded; passed.**

Caruso provided insurance cards to Barritt to place in department vehicles.

Barritt reported on recent responses by IV Fire, including a swather fire near Council and residents burning brush while fire restrictions are in place.

Barritt recommended burying a 3-inch water line from the water storage tank to a hydrant inside the Goodrich building for ease of access and to prevent freezing.

Budget Hearing: Carolyn Barritt asked for clarification of budget line items, as there have been changes in categories from the previous year's budget. There being no further public comment, **Caruso moved to close the public hearing. Green seconded; approved.**

Caruso moved to adopt the budget as proposed and submit to Adams County Board of Commissioners; Green seconded; approved.

OPERATING EXPENSES	
Fireman's Training & Support	2,500.00
Fireman's Equipment & Supplies	6,500.00
Life Flight	1,300.00
Worker's Comp Insurance	500.00
Utilities	2,500.00
Building Heating Fuel	7,500.00
Building Maintenance & Repairs	5,000.00
Insurance – Building & Vehicles	6,000.00
Vehicle Fuel	4,000.00
Vehicle Maintenance & Repairs	6,000.00
Association Dues	300.00
Office Supplies	200.00
Advertising	200.00
Service Charges & Fees	200.00
Capital Equipment Reserve	95,000.00
Maintenance & Operations Reserve	23,745.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	165,479.00

REVENUE	
Tax Remittance	40,021.00
New Construction Role	1,172.00
Tax Increase	1,201.00
Building Rental	4,340.00
Cash Forward Balance	118,745.00
TOTAL REVENUE	165,479.00

Green will complete the paperwork and file the budget with the Adams County Clerk this week.

Meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m..

Next regularly scheduled meeting will be Tuesday, September 5, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. at IV fire hall.

Wendy Green
Wendy Green, Commissioner

September 5, 2023
Date