

**BIG SKY FIRE DEPARTMENT “BSFD”  
MINUTES OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
REGULAR MEETING OF MAY 27, 2015**

**Introduction of visitors and guests**

Stephen Pruiett – Big Sky Fire Department Captain/ Firefighter/Paramedic

Chris Moon – Big Sky Fire Department FF/EMT

**1. Call to Order**

Meeting was called to order by Chair Alan McClain at 8:35AM

Present: Trustees Alan McClain, Carol Collins, Steve Johnson, Tom Reeves and Renae Schumacher; William Farhat, Fire Chief; Al Scholes, Gallatin Fire Service; Alecia Fischer, Office Administrator

**2. Public Comment - None**

**3. Consent Agenda Items - Action Required:**

a. Approval of draft minutes of April 29, 2015 Regular Meeting

b. Financial Reports for April 2015

c. Monthly Financial Statements

d. Check Register: Checks 6114735 – 6114776

- **Motion Made and Seconded** by Carol Collins and Steve Johnson to approve the consent agenda items of the May 27, 2015 regular meeting, as presented. Passed Unanimously

**4. Fire Chief’s Report – William Farhat**

See report included in board packet. In addition to the information in the board packet:

- Captain Pruiett updated the Board on the progress of Station #1 improvements (upstairs); building lockers, cleaning up storage area and creating a better and more organized storage space.
- The Board discussed the format of the agenda and if the action that needs to be taken for each line item should be removed since it is not required; it was a request of a former board member. Chief Farhat will look into the requirements.

**5. Correspondence**

See correspondence included in board packet.

- The Board discussed the use of email communication and the rules that need to be followed according to the county attorney.

**6. New Business**

a. Annexation of Madison County Section 13 and Emergency Services Agreement (ESA) – Discussion & Possible Action Required

- **Motion Made and Seconded** by Carol Collins and Steve Johnson to approve the Emergency Services 5-year Agreement with BSFD, Lone Mountain Land Company and Boyne. Passed
- **Motion Made and Seconded** by Carol Collins and Renae Schumacher to approve annexation of Geo Code: 0425-13-1-01-01-0000; Tax Id: 0028002100. Passed Unanimously

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**7. Unfinished Business**

- a. Fire Chief's Performance Review Follow-up – Discussion & Possible Action Required
  - Closed session requested by Chief Farhat at 9:09am
  - Open session at 9:27am; no action required

**8. Other Business**

- a. Big Sky Resort Tax Meeting Follow-up – May 13, 2015 – Discussion
  - Chief Farhat updated the Board on the Q&A Session with the Big Sky Resort Tax Board; the resort tax board asked fair questions and it went well.
- b. Party for Al Scholes, June 14, 2015 - Discussion
- c. Big Sky Kids Breakfast, June 21, 2015 – Discussion
  - Set-up is at 6:00am, breakfast is at 8:00am and head-shaving is at 9:00am. Alecia is working with Eagle Mount to set-up a fundraising site. Information about the event will be communicated to the department via email and to the public on Facebook.
- d. Election of Board Officers – Discussion & Action Required
  - **Motion Made and Seconded** by Carol Collins and Renae Schumacher to approve keeping the current board positions with Alan McClain as Chair, Carol Collins as Vice Chair and Steve Johnson as Secretary/Treasurer. Passed Unanimously
- e. Chief Farhat informed the Board that he is gone Sunday-Thursday at the MT Firefighters Testing Consortium and then the following week ESCI will be here for the Master Plan Study. Chief Farhat is planning on holding a public meeting for ESCI to talk to community members after the resort tax meeting concludes on June 10, 2015.

**9. Public Comment**

**10. Date for next regular meeting – June 24, 2015 @ 8:30 AM**

**11. Adjourn at 9:36 AM**

Respectfully submitted,

  
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Alan McClain, Chair

  
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Steve Johnson, Secretary/Treasurer

cc: Board of Trustees  
Fire Chief William Farhat  
Local 4732  
Gallatin Fire Service  
Gallatin County Board of Commissioners  
Madison County Board of Commissioners