

**BIG SKY FIRE DISTRICT “BSFD”  
MINUTES OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
SPECIAL MEETING/PUBLIC HEARING OF AUGUST 10, 2017**

**1. Call to Order**

Meeting was called to order by Chair Alan McClain at 9:33 am

Present: Trustees Alan McClain, Carol Collins, Steve Johnson, Tom Reeves, and Renae Schumacher; William Farhat, Fire Chief; Greg Megaard, Deputy Chief; Mara Mitchell, Administrative Assistant

Absent: Alecia Fischer, Office Administrator

**a. Introduction of visitors and guests**

Ed Blackman, Gallatin County Director of Finance; Firefighter Gras, and Firefighter Hamel

**2. Public comment for items not on the agenda – None**

**3. New Business**

**a. Ed Blackman, Gallatin County Finance Director, Briefing on Proposed Mill Levy Increase.**

- Ed Blackman stated with the increase in valuation of properties the value is going up, but in actuality people will typically pay the same or less than previously. However, people that added a house or other type of building to their property will pay proportionate value of that structure.

**b. Resolution 2017-1002 Mill Levy for November 7, 2017 Ballot for Increase in Staffing for Operations and Remodeling of Fire Stations 1 (Meadow) and 2 (Mountain).**

- **Motion Made and Seconded** by Carol Collins and Steve Johnson to approve the Resolution 2017-1002 Big Sky Fire District A Resolution Calling For A Mill Levy Increase as presented. Passed Unanimously

**4. Other Business**

- a.** Chief Farhat will be making another budget change before the next board meeting due to BSFD receiving FEMA’s Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER) grant.

**5. Public Comment - None**

**6. Date for next regular meeting – August 23, 2017 at 8:30 am**

**7. Adjournment – 10:08 am**

Respectfully submitted,



Alan McClain, Chair



Steve Johnson, Secretary/Treasurer

cc: Board of Trustees  
Fire Chief William Farhat  
Local 4732  
Gallatin County Board of Commissioners  
Gallatin County Clerk & Records Office  
Madison County Clerk & Records Office