

**BIG SKY FIRE DISTRICT “BSFD”**  
**MINUTES OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
**REGULAR MEETING/PUBLIC HEARING OF JANUARY 27, 2021**

**1. Call to Order**

Meeting was called to order by Vice Chair Carol Collins at 8:35 am

Present: Trustees Alan McClain, Carol Collins, Matt Dodd, Debra Lewis, and Renae Schumacher; Greg Megaard, Fire Chief; Dustin Tetrault, Deputy Chief; Seth Barker, Deputy Chief; Alecia Fischer, Administrative Officer; Mara Mitchell, Administrative Assistant

a. Introduction of visitors and guests

Captain Gras, Captain Bolton, Captain Loomis, Firefighter Rush, Firefighter Nowlin, Firefighter Farmer, Firefighter Parker, Firefighter Phillips, Firefighter C. Mohr, President Local 4732 Firefighter John Foster.

**2. Public comment for items not on the agenda**

- a. President of Local 4732 Firefighter John Foster and Captain Gras presented a plaque to Deputy Chief Barker in honor of his years of dedication, hard work, determination and support as a founding member of IAFF Local 4732.

**3. Consent Agenda Items**

- a. Approval of draft minutes of December 23, 2020 Regular Meeting  
b. Financial Reports for December 2020  
c. Check Register: Checks 6118810 – 6118879  
d. Correspondence
- **Motion Made and Seconded** by Trustee Lewis and Trustee Schumacher to approve the consent agenda as presented. Passed Unanimously

**4. Chief's Report – See Board Packet for Report**

**5. New Business**

- a. BSFD 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary 1971-2021
- Chief Megaard presented the logo created for the BSFD 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.
- b. 2021 – 2022 Annual Fiscal Budget Discussion
- The chiefs have been working on a preliminary budget and are hoping to have it ready for review at the February 2021 meeting.
- c. 2021 – 2022 Big Sky Resort Area District Discussion
- Chief Megaard stated that the application process opens March 1, 2021 and closes April 15, 2021. He has had several conversations with Daniel Bierschwale the executive director of Big Sky Resort Area District regarding establishing an Inter-local agreement which would be a three-year agreement for operational costs only.
- d. Local 4732 Union Contract Negotiation Update
- Chief Megaard hopes to have a tentative agreement on a new contract to present to the board at the regular February board meeting.

**6. Old Business – NONE**

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**7. Other Business**

- Trustee McClain stated that both Trustee Dodd and Trustee Lewis will run for trustee positions this year.
- Trustee McClain stated that he had a meeting with Matt Kidd and had a discussion regarding the Spanish Peaks ODP. He believes the Spanish Peaks ODP will possibly be on the agenda for February’s meeting.
- Chief Megaard reported that all wages and benefits have been submitted, and all capital equipment reimbursement requirements have been met and submitted for CARES Act reimbursement as well.
- A video put together by Captain Bolton of all of BSFD’s new equipment (power cots, McGrath Video Laryngoscopes, LIFEPAK 15’s, and Lucas 3 chest compression devices) was presented. The cost for all of the new equipment was \$335,755.32 and that has been submitted for CARES Act reimbursement.

**8. Public Comment**


- a. President of Local 4732 Firefighter John Foster wanted to acknowledge that Firefighter M. Mohr, Firefighter Farmer, and Firefighter Phillips comprise the Union negotiations team and that they are doing a great job.

**9. Date for next regular meeting** – February 24, 2021 at 8:30 am

**10. Adjournment** – 9:08 am

Respectfully submitted,

  
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Alan McClain, Chair

  
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Board Member

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