

GALLATIN GATEWAY RURAL FIRE DIST.
Regular Trustee's Meeting November 21, 2017

Trustees present: Keith Bright, Cooper Wade, Joe Axtell, Tad DeGroot
Also Present: Jeremiah Hillier, Bill Wegner, Kathy Brekke, Barbara MacLeod

Keith Bright called the meeting to order at 8:47 PM

Tad DeGroot moved to approve the October minutes. Joe Axtell seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous in favor.

Warrants 9034-9043 in the amount of \$6,336.84 and 10067-10080 in the amount of \$6,341.60 for a total of \$12,678.44 were presented for approval and payment. Cooper moved and Tad seconded the motion to pay the warrants. The vote was unanimous in favor.

Bill Wegner was present to deliver the new fire truck and lead the walk around before the board meeting. He said that there will be a more thorough training on the truck on December 3rd. The truck specs out—Jeremiah is impressed with it. Bill presented the title paperwork for signing. Paperwork signed by Keith, and final check was given to Bill. Bill stated that any service work needed on the truck goes through him, and he deals with Rosenbaur.

CHIEFS REPORT:

Chief did not write out a chief's report as he has been using all of his time to compile a very thorough Capital Equipment Inventory.

Chief reported that new radios will be needed to replace all of the 100watt radios once Bozeman's new radio system goes online in January, 2018. New radios are about \$7,900 per radio, and GGRFD has 11 radios to replace, totaling an estimated \$85,000. Four trucks will need updated radios by the end of next year. The fit tests for masks are getting lower numbers. Buy new masks? Stagger their replacement? Hire someone to write a grant for the department's equipment needs?

Chief reports that call volume is down—fewer calls this year than last year.

Tried to burn weeds and clean up Station 2.

The Holiday Party will be the second Saturday in January—January 13, 2018.

Chief lead a discussion on the budget, long term planning for expenses, such as AMR vs Central Valley Ambulance, the Budget—Line item 150K for payment of new equipment?—Big Sky Western Bank note? Etc.

Old Business:

Audit is in progression.

Garage door—December 11th, 2017 new door goes in at Station 2.

New Business:

Sewer district tie in—should we keep and sell the old tank?

The bathroom has been fixed.

There are gutter issues—leaking.

Motion to adjourn by Keith and seconded by Cooper. Keith adjourned meeting at 8:55 PM.

