

Laurel Fire District #5 Minutes

Annual Meeting 2016

Meeting was called to order on October 3, 2016 at 7:07 PM. The meeting was held in the Laurel City Council Chambers.

Board members present:

President Bill Strauch, Vice President Sam Robertus, Levi Grosscop, Rob Schessler and Secretary/Treasurer Jon Rutt.

No other attendees came. It was noted the Laurel Outlook posted the ad on September 15, 22nd, and 29th.

- Minutes of the 2015 Annual Meeting were read and approved as read. Rob 1st, Sam 2nd
- Treasurer's report was read.

Account Balance August 31, 2016 was \$17,705.85.

Only bill due was for the Laurel Outlook Meeting Posting and was not received yet. (Note that bill was \$80.25), Outlook bill was approved if comparable to last year.

- Treasurer's report was approved as read. Sam 1st, Rob 2nd

Old Business

Discussion on the requirement to file meeting minutes with County Commissioners was considered good. The listing of property owners was more accurate this year.

New Business

Discussion of the taxable valuation and changes in the last year.

Request was made to copy all board members when ready to file meeting minutes.

Letter from October 2015 informing the Fire District of the ability of Rural Fire districts merging with Fire Service areas was discussed and the consensus was it was to be watched, but not pursued.

Discussion of the on-line filing of the Annual Financial reports and how that was done to inform the board.

Most of the board received a solicitation to the MT Fire Trustees Association Convention and we discussed membership and decided it offered few benefits for us.

The timing of the annual meeting was discussed and the consensus seemed to be the September/October time was good. This was attributed to our 3 year contract with the city and the notice of mill value/budget request being in August. Closing the year now and calling a Trustees meeting prior to contract signing in May/June would keep us up to date.

Research will need to be done to see if we need to change bylaws and consider any other reasons to meet.

Nothing for the good of the company.

Meeting adjourned at 7:44 PM.