

**MINUTES OF THE NORTHERN LAKES FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS**

REGULAR MEETING

December 9th, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.
125 W. Hayden Ave., Hayden, ID

I. Call To Order

COMMISSIONER THOMPSON called meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Commissioners Amende, Halpin, Pearce, Thompson, and Washko

OTHERS PRESENT: Division Chief Mather, Division Chief Dill, Fire Marshal Drechsel, Secretary Knapp, Doug Duncan, Dan Hayes, Karen Hayes, Fritz Wiedenhoff, Bill Daniels, Ryan Alltus, Marc Ghirarduzzi, Jarrod Pitts, and John Spencer (*via teleconference*).

II. Pledge of Allegiance

COMMISSIONER THOMPSON led the Pledge.

III. Amend Agenda

There were no amendments to the agenda.

IV. Consent Calendar

The consent calendar was presented for review as follows:

- A. Approval of December 9th, 2021 Meeting Agenda as presented;
- B. Approval of November 24th, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes;
- C. Approval of Unpaid and Paid Bills Lists;
- D. Review of YTD Financial Report for November.

COMMISSIONER HALPIN made a motion, seconded by **COMMISSIONER AMENDE** to approve the December 9th, 2021 Consent Calendar as presented.

COMMISSIONER THOMPSON called for discussion.

COMMISSIONER THOMPSON clarified with CHIEF MATHER that the total of \$4,222.06 paid out for fuel was for all District vehicles in November, including St 1 and St 2 apparatus.

COMMISSIONER THOMPSON called for a roll call vote:

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Commissioner Amende	Yes
Commissioner Halpin	Yes
Commissioner Pearce	Yes
Commissioner Thompson	Yes
Commissioner Washko	Yes

Motion carried

V. Public Hearing

A. Presentation of Petition for Annexation

A Petition for Annexation of six parcels into the District was presented for review:

- 1. 21894 E Hayden Lake Road (Parcel 51N032023300), 21894 E Hayden Lake Road (Parcel 51N03W023400), and 21830 E Hayden Lake Road (Parcel 51N03W023800), by Petitioners Dan and Karen Hayes;
- 2. 23134 E Hayden Lake Road (Parcel 07377001001A) by Petitioner Cynthia Robinson;
- 3. 30810 E Hayden Lake Road (Parcel 52N03W356400) by Petitioners Candace and Matthew Chew; and

4. 30806 E Hayden Lake Road (Parcel 52N03W356200) by Petitioners Gary and Janice Nelson.

It was noted the Petition for Annexation includes a legal description and maps of the parcels being requested for annexation into the fire district.

FIRE MARSHAL DRECHSEL reported that the requested annexation includes six (6) separate parcels owned by four (4) different property owners, that the total property is approximately 130 acres, and is an area that was not included in the original annexation of property on E Hayden Lake Road in 1998, but is surrounded by property in the District on all four sides.

FIRE MARSHAL DRECHSEL stated that the primary petitioners, MR. and MRS. HAYES, reached out to the District earlier this year for information on FireWise communities and realized those properties were not located within any fire district. FIRE MARSHAL DRECHSEL noted that all paperwork is complete and fees have been paid.

B. Comments from the Public

MR. HAYES stated that their property on E Hayden Lake Road was excluded from the original annexation in 1998, noting that they did want to annex in at that time but aren't sure what happened. He stated that their property borders on state owned land on two sides and that they and their neighbors are now working on becoming a FireWise community. He also noted that his wife, KAREN HAYES, worked with their neighbors and got the petition for annexation paperwork completed once they discovered the properties were not in the District.

C. Discussion and Action on Petition for Annexation

COMMISSIONER WASHKO made a motion, seconded by **COMMISSIONER PEARCE** to approve the Petition for Annexation signed by the legal owners of the properties described therein and further described in Exhibit A of the Order for Annexation, as presented.

COMMISSIONER THOMPSON called for discussion.

COMMISSIONER HALPIN clarified with FIRE MARSHAL DRECHSEL that the District has no issues with annexing in the described properties and that all the parcels meet code. FIRE MARSHAL DRECHSEL reported that MR. and MRS. HAYES have a landing zone on their property, as well as a 60 gallon pond, that they have offered the use of to the District for wildfire response if needed.

COMMISSIONER WASHKO clarified with FIRE MARSHAL DRECHSEL that there are single family homes on the properties.

COMMISSIONER THOMPSON called for a roll call vote.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Commissioner Amende	Yes
Commissioner Halpin	Yes
Commissioner Pearce	Yes
Commissioner Thompson	Yes
Commissioner Washko	Yes

Motion carried.

The board thanked MR. and MRS. HAYES for the offer of their property to support the District's emergency response if needed in the future.

COMMISSIONER THOMPSON closed the Public Hearing.

VI. Reports

A. Chiefs Report – CHIEF MATHER reported that FIRE CHIEF RILEY is out sick today, and reported on the following:

1. The NIFCA-Legislators Meeting is taking place this evening with topics to include the funding of a joint hazmat/technical rescue team in North Idaho. There was discussion on the funding for this special team being cut over the years, and that three teams are state-mandated.

2. Staff/Operational Reports

a. **Training Report** - Presented for review. CHIEF MATHER reported on the following:

- i. In the process of testing new 1 ¾" and 2 ½" fire hose and will be working on amounts that need to be ordered.
- ii. Putting together a 4-5 week fire academy for the new hires next spring.
- iii. Meeting with the NIFCA Training Officer group and planning for the 2022 North Idaho Emergency Services Academy (NIESA).
- iv. Had our first training burn in the newly remodeled training tower at the airport.
- v. Upcoming outside trainings include the 2022 FDIC in Indianapolis in April. Have had one member request to attend so far.
- vi. The surplus Hiniker snow plow was sold to the only bidder for the asking price of \$1,000.

b. **EMS Report** – Presented for review. EMS CHIEF DILL reported on the following:

- i. All the ambulance units have had critical issues repaired and have been returned to service.
- ii. Have one (1) in-house candidate applying to enroll in the spring paramedic program at Central Washington University. This will be a hybrid program beginning in April.
- iii. FIREFIGHTER AAGESEN has passed the psychomotor exam and will be taking the national registry exam next week. Once he has his state paramedic license, will finish up his precepting after the first of the year.
- iv. The scheduled joint airway training with the hospital was cancelled due to supply chain/staffing concerns; hope to reschedule after first of the year.
- v. The draft job posting for four Firefighter/Paramedics has been approved and is pending activation with National Testing Network (NTN). Will be talking to their background investigator on whether to use their services; the cost is \$500-\$700 per application with a turnaround time of 2-3 weeks.

- c. **Fire Marshal Report** – Presented for review. FIRE MARSHAL DRECHSEL reported on the following:
 - i. Approved the Villas at Corbin Crossing apartments for 280,000 sq. ft. of multi-dwelling use.
 - ii. Approved a 5,200 sq. ft. medical office (Blue Chip Chiropractic) on Government Way in Hayden.
 - iii. Approved 30 new residential permits issued in the unincorporated area of the county.
 - iv. Conducted investigation of a garage fire on Reed Road.
 - v. Completed four (4) hazardous fuels assessments on backside of Hayden Lake as part of the ongoing FireWise program.
 - vi. Delivered Cold Weather Sprinkler Ops training to the shifts.
- 3. Bureau Report – For November was presented for review.
- 4. Overtime Report – For November presented for review.
- 5. Run Report – For November was presented for review.

B. Commissioner Reports

COMMISSIONER THOMPSON reported the next board meeting is scheduled for Thu., 12/23. The other members of the board confirmed they will be in attendance.

COMMISSIONER THOMPSON stated that if the other board members agree, he does not need to attend the first meeting scheduled in January (on 1/13/2022), as Commissioner-Elect Duncan could be sworn in as the first order of business at that time. The other members agreed, as did Commissioner-Elect Duncan.

VII. Public Input

There was no public input.

I. Adjournment

There being no further business to be brought before the board, the regular meeting was adjourned upon the motion of **COMMISSIONER WASHKO** and as seconded by **COMMISSIONER PEARCE** at 10:19 a.m.

COMMISSIONER THOMPSON called for discussion. There was no discussion.

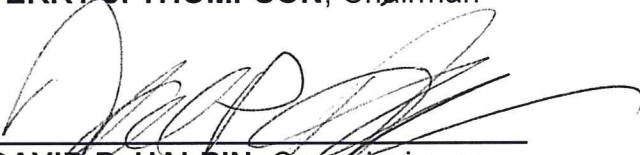
COMMISSIONER THOMPSON called for a roll call vote:

ROLL CALL VOTE:
 Commissioner Amende Yes
 Commissioner Halpin Yes
 Commissioner Pearce Yes
 Commissioner Thompson Yes
 Commissioner Washko Yes

Motion carried


TERRY J. THOMPSON, Chairman


DENNIS L. AMENDE, Commissioner


DAVID P. HALPIN, Commissioner


MICHAEL R. PEARCE, Commissioner


JAMES C. WASHKO, Commissioner

I certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes of a duly called meeting of the governing body of the Northern Lakes Fire Protection District held in accordance with all applicable legal requirements, including Idaho Open Meeting Law, on the 9th day of December 2021.

ATTEST BY: 
Valerie Knapp, District Secretary

