



EPLFD Meeting Minutes

September 8, 2022

48 East Lake Trout Lane, Coolin, Idaho and by Zoom

Welcome - (Commissioner Clevenger) - The meeting was called to order by Clevenger at 6:33 PM with Commissioners: Tom Clevenger, Ann McKinstry, Jennifer Seaman, Chief Tom Renzi, Assistant Chief Dave Tewel (Zoom), Secretarial Assistant Krista Rockwood (Zoom), Joy York (Zoom), Dick Rucker (Zoom), Bruce Scott (Zoom), Candace Mumm (Zoom) Dallas Grey, and George McKinstry.

Declaration of Quorum - (Commissioner Clevenger) - quorum present.

ACTION ITEMS

Approval of August 18, 2022 Meeting Minutes - (Commissioner Clevenger) All minutes reviewed by Commissioners. Commissioner Clevenger made a motion to approve the minutes. Commissioner Seaman seconded. All in favor, motion approved.

ACTION ITEM & NEW BUSINESS

Station Location Search & Land Update – Commissioner McKinstry gave summary of current efforts to acquire land.

Discussion among those present: Looking at auctions for locations closer to East Shore Road. Working with IDL and IDPR, but this may be the less viable option. Candace Mumm to reach out for contacts to consider swapping IDL land on East side with BLM land on West side. Possible option with Pinto Point Homeowners Association for part of 13-acre lot that was old slash pile; land is flat and could be viable for helipad, parking, and structure. Must satisfy the Pinto Point Sewer District's (PPSD) requirements. The 13-acre lot in question is owned jointly by homeowners, whether that be state or private owner (1/53 each share). If to buy parcel, need all 53 share owners to say yes. If lease land, need majority vote of homeowners to get lease; need to verify this first. Currently, the PPSD has use of the land through easement with IDL and put drain field in in 1982. The lot is considered a "Community Service Lot;" verify parameters of what "service" encompasses. As last resort could look into eminent domain to get a portion of land for fair market value. If IDL is not willing to cooperate, then consider not to pursue further to cause less financial distress on the homeowners from the process.

Federal, State, and local fire districts are all part of the mutual aid agreement, Chief Renzi is clarifying that EPLFD is not yet apart of that agreement. There is no

compensation for districts helping districts in the mutual aid agreement. EPLFD cannot respond to IDL wildland fires without specific training and/or equipment. If went for a smaller parcel of land, 1.5 acres would work.

Joy York suggested a community survey about station location.

Candace Mumm suggests that taxes and Idaho State law regarding taxes be better explained in a newsletter specifically related to higher taxes to build a station.

Commissioner McKinstry suggests more research into options, verify some information listed above, and ask the community what they think of possible locations (on Pinto Point or on East Shore Road) before taking steps towards a piece of the 13-acre parcel. Will bring more answers to next meeting.

Adjourn - Commissioner Clevenger made a motion to end the meeting at 7:35 P.M. Commissioner McKinstry seconded. All in favor. Meeting ended.

Next meeting Thursday, October 20, 2022, 6:30 PM at 48 East Lake Trout Lane, Coolin, ID 83821

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