

Wellington Fire Protection District
Minutes of Regular Board Meeting

Opening

The regular meeting of the Wellington Fire Protection District was called to order at 4:00 pm on November 4th, 2020 via ZOOM. Due to COVID 19 restrictions and being under a state of emergency, meetings of the Board of Directors are being held virtually in order to meet public health and safety requirements.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

PRESENT Director Pierson, Director Sarno, Director Pettit, Director Story, Director Reed

Addition/Deletion to the Agenda - none

Conflicts of Interest - none

Open for Public Comment

Three minutes open for a community member or resident of the District to comment on items not listed on the agenda

Guests/Presentations

John Chmil, Attorney of Lyon, Gaddis, & Kahn, provided a brief update to the Board of Directors regarding recent legislative changes.

Consent Agenda:

- Minutes of October Regular Board Meeting
- Paid Bills & Reference Check Register
- Year to Date Budget

M/S Sarno/Pettit to APPROVE the Consent Agenda. Roll call is taken:

Reed	YES
Pierson	YES
Pettit	YES
Sarno	YES
Story	YES

Chief's Report

There have been a few positive cases of COVID with staff. To take extra precaution admin staff will be working remotely until notified otherwise.

We anticipate the call volume will exceed 1000 calls this year.

There was a small structure fire today at the cabinet shop that was contained quickly. CHIEF HOBBS gave a brief overview of the call and response.

District Business

PRESENT RESOLUTION NO. 2020-08 – RESOLUTION FOR A LINE OF CREDIT

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE WELLINGTON FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT APPROVING A LINE OF CREDIT FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING ON A TIMELY BASIS DULY BUDGETED AND APPROPRIATED EXPENSES OF THE DISTRICT FOR THE 2020 FISCAL YEAR.

Public Hearing for Resolution 2020-08 A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE WELLINGTON FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT APPROVING A LINE OF CREDIT FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING ON A TIMELY BASIS DULY BUDGETED AND APPROPRIATED EXPENSES OF THE DISTRICT FOR THE 2020 FISCAL YEAR.

M/S Story/Pettit to close the regular Meeting and begin the Public Hearing for Resolution 2020-08 A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE WELLINGTON FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT APPROVING A LINE OF CREDIT FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING ON A TIMELY BASIS DULY BUDGETED AND APPROPRIATED EXPENSES OF THE DISTRICT FOR THE 2020 FISCAL YEAR at 4:40 PM. Roll call is taken:

Reed	YES
Pierson	YES
Pettit	YES
Sarno	YES
Story	YES

There was no public comment.

M/S Pettit/Sarno to close the public hearing and resume the Regular Board Meeting at 4:43 PM.

Disposition of Resolution 2020-08 A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE WELLINGTON FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT APPROVING A LINE OF CREDIT

FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING ON A TIMELY BASIS DULY BUDGETED AND APPROPRIATED EXPENSES OF THE DISTRICT FOR THE 2020 FISCAL YEAR.

DIRECTOR STORY asked for clarification why we were requesting a line of credit. K.TOWNSEND clarified that we have been using a line of credit instead of a tax anticipation note because the interest rates are better. Additionally, the line of credit amount is half of what we requested last year. Two board member signatures are required in order to draw on the line of credit. Generally, the line of credit is in place to cover expenses until the first property tax revenue payment comes from Larimer County in early 2021 until stronger reserves are established.

DIRECTOR STORY would like to see the District move away from using a line of credit or tax anticipation note and use reserves to cover expenses.

M/S REED/SARNO to approve Resolution 2020-08 A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE WELLINGTON FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT APPROVING A LINE OF CREDIT FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING ON A TIMELY BASIS DULY BUDGETED AND APPROPRIATED EXPENSES OF THE DISTRICT FOR THE 2020 FISCAL YEAR.

Reed	YES
Pierson	YES
Pettit	YES
Sarno	YES
Story	YES

1. Discussion 2021 Budget Presentation

There were no additional questions from Directors, Staff, or the Public regarding the 2021 budget presentation.

DIRECTOR SARNO the Board received an email from Christine Gaiter, (8132 4th St. Wellington) and will be scheduling a time to discuss her concerns.

Other

DIRECTOR REED asked for an update for replacement laptops for the Directors. A. Macdonald provided clarification on the timeline replacement of computers for the Directors.

Adjournment - Director Reed adjourned the meeting at 4:56 pm