

MINUTES

SPECIAL JOINT MEETING OF THE BUHL CITY COUNCIL AND THE BUHL RURAL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
SEPTEMBER 9, 2019

PRESENT:

Michael Higbee	Council President	Neal Gier	Fire District Chairman
Kyle Hauser	Council Member	Les Preader	Fire District Commissioner
Pam McClain	Council Member	Glenn Van Patten	Fire District Commissioner
Karen Drown	Clerk	Andrew Stevens	Fire Chief
Elizabeth Barker	Treasurer		

The meeting was opened at 6:30 p.m. Karen Drown confirmed a quorum for the meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Review and Consideration for Evaluation Services with Pivot North: Andrew noted that there is money budgeted for this project this year but nothing was budgeted in the 2019-2020 budget. Pam moved to approve the project with Pivot North. Kyle seconded the motion. He also noted they are overflowing the station now. There was discussion about Pivot North looking into other items if the group sees areas of concerns that need addressed. Andrew stated this firm would be looking at what the needs would be for a new station including square footage, bays, housing and general plan of a building. They would provide a third-party review of the needs for the next few years to allow for planning. Andrew stated he had already done some work in regards to heat mapping calls from the last 5 years to see if there were heavier areas that needed to be looked at. Les stated a concern about the fee schedule for 2019 and current billing rate.

The discussion continued with Glenn asking if they are ready to spend money on the new station. Andrew stated he is looking for something concrete to plan for the future. Kyle stated he felt is was and incredible amount of information for the money. There was further discussion about possible sites and the situation if the site the rural district already owns is a good fit or not.

There was a vote on the motion. Pam voted yes, Sue voted yes, Glenn voted yes, Les voted no, Neal voted no, Kyle voted yes, and Michael voted yes. The motion failed.

CITIZENS CONCERNS – There were none.

MEETING ADJOURNED

Pam moved to adjourn the meeting; Pam seconded the motion. There was no discussion. The meeting was adjourned at 6:57 PM.