# COLUMBUS RURAL FIRE DISTRICT #3 BOARD OF TRUSTEES MONTHLY MEETING Minutes February 12th, 2024

**CALL MEETING TO ORDER:** Meeting was called to order at 17:33

Present: Curt Robbins, Chuck Kronz, Debbie Parod, John Patterson, Brent Parkin

Fire Chief: Rich Cowger Assistant Chief: Nick Jacobs

Admin Assistant: Lisa Westervelt

Visitors: Colton Cowger, Andrew Porter, Mat Keating, Marsha Olson

**PUBLIC COMMENT**: None

**APPROVE MINUTES:** Minutes for the meeting of January 8<sup>th,</sup> 2024, were approved as presented.

TREASURER REPORT: The treasurer's report was presented. See attached report. The month's bills were reviewed. Revenue for February was \$317,598.75 and included ambulance revenues, property taxes, reimbursements from DNRC, quarterly Interlocal agreement payment, and grant funds. Total expenses for the month were \$128,825.96, and included 3 payrolls, and a payment to MT State Fund for work comp insurance, along with other regular bills. There was a motion made by Debbie to pay bills in the amount of \$128,825.96. Chuck seconded the motion. Motion was approved.

CHIEF REPORT: See attached.

# **MISCELLANEOUS COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Park City/Columbus potential merger discussion

### **NEW MEMBER APPROVAL:**

We have 2 new volunteer applicants: Katy Hedtke and Johnathan Burke. Katy is also an EMT in Red Lodge, and Johnathan would like to join as a volunteer rather than a resident. There was a motion from Debbie to approve Katy and Johnathan as new volunteers, John seconded the motion, all in favor and motion carried.

# **OLD BUSINESS:**

**Grants Update** 

Pay/Holiday Pay Discussion: Moved to next month's meeting

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

**CFSI Attendance Approval**: Chief asked for approval to attend CFSI again this year. Costs have historically been split with State Chief's Association, and VCOS may help a bit as well. Chuck moved to approve Chief's trip to CFSI, Brent seconded the motion, all in favor and motion carried.

Executive Session: None needed

**OTHER MEMBER'S BUSINESS:** 

ANNOUNCEMENTS/Public Comment: None

ADJOURN: The meeting was adjourned at 18:02

NEXT MEETING: March 12th, 2024 5:30 PM FIREHALL

Minutes submitted by bisa Westervelt

Chairman: Curt Robbins

Secretary: Debbie Parod