

Minutes of the Spofford Fire District Annual Meeting
For the Year 2015

Moderator Michael Bentley called the meeting to order at 7:30PM on Tuesday, March 17th in the Spofford Fire Station. There were 16 people in attendance.

Article 1: To choose a Moderator for the ensuing year. Michael Fuller moved to nominate Michael Bentley. Motion was seconded by Rick Greene and was passed unanimously.

Article 2: To choose a Clerk/Treasurer for the ensuing year. Michael Fuller made a motion to nominate Catherine Schlichting and Rick Greene seconded. Motion was passed unanimously.

Article 3: To choose a Commissioner for three years: 2015, 2016, 2017. Wayne Guyette made a motion to nominate David Thomas. Motion was seconded by Rick Greene and was passed unanimously.

Article 4: To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the Budget Committee's recommended amount of \$220,753 for General Government. Wayne Guyette made a motion to accept the article as read and Michael Fuller seconded the motion. Stephen Buckley moved to amend the article by adding **\$500** to the Administrative Expense line* due to the required upgrade to accounting software and **\$2,500** to the Building Maintenance and Upgrade line** to cover the costs of repairing the heating system. This would increase the article total to **\$223,753*****. Rick Greene made a motion to pass the article as amended. Denise Buckley seconded the motion and the amended article passed unanimously.

Propane	\$ 325.
Telephone	1,700.
Electricity	7,500.
Insurance	6035.
Worker's Compensation	1,550.
Contracted Expenses	4,000.
Administrative Expenses	1,200. *
Rescue Supplies	2,000.
Gas & Diesel Fuel	1,500.
Equipment Repairs and Maintenance	8,000.
Small Equipment Repairs	1,000.
Building Maintenance and Upgrade	5,000. **
Training & Dues	7,500.
Payroll & other related expenses	26,770.
Small Equipment	3,000.
Fire Prevention Program	100.
Hepatitis B & TB inoculations	400.
Financial Audit	2,500.
Bond Interest	42,806.
Bond Principal	75,000.
Mutual Aid Payment	22,867.
Totals	\$220,753. ***

Article 5: To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$36,841 to be added to the Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve Fund previously established. Rick Greene moved to accept the article as read. David Jordan seconded the motion and the article passed as read unanimously.

Article 6: To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$13,781 to be added to the Small Equipment Capital Reserve Fund previously established. Wayne Guyette moved to accept the article as read and David Jordan seconded. The article passed unanimously.

Article 7: To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000 to be added to the Spofford Water Hole Expendable Trust previously established. Rick Greene made a motion to approve the article and David Jordan seconded. Article was passed unanimously.

Article 8: To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 to be added to the Catastrophic Emergency Expendable Fund previously established. Stephen Buckley made the motion to accept the article as read. David Jordan seconded the motion and the article was approved unanimously.

Article 9: To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000 to be added to the Spofford Fire Building Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund previously established. Stephen Buckley moved to approve the article and David Orr seconded. The article passed unanimously.

Article 10: To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$41,400 to purchase SCBA's, Fire Gear and Pumps and authorize the withdrawal of \$41,400 from the existing Small Equipment Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose. Wayne Guyette made a motion to approve the article as read and David Jordan seconded the motion. The article passed unanimously.

Article 11: To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 to repair Rescue Truck R-1 and authorize the withdrawal of \$5,000 from the existing Large Equipment Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose. The repair will extend the purchase of a new truck by 5 years. Rick Greene moved to approve the article and Stephen Buckley seconded. The article was passed unanimously.

Article 12: To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,576 to be paid to the Chesterfield Fire Precinct for the purpose of purchasing radios. This is part of a combined grant application with Chesterfield Fire and Westmoreland Fire. The total cost of Spofford's share of the grant purchase is \$91,525, with Spofford Fire contributing 5% (\$4,576). Monies will be spent only if the grant is awarded. Wayne Guyette asked if there were any questions about the article and a short discussion occurred. Rick Greene moved to accept the article as read. David Jordan seconded and the article passed unanimously.

To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting. David Jordan moved to adjourn and Rick Greene seconded. Vote was in the affirmative and Moderator Bentley declared the meeting closed at 7:41PM.

Respectfully submitted:

Catherine Schlichting
Clerk/Treasurer