



HAMILTON RURAL FIRE DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MONTHLY MEETING
Date: August 12th Meeting Minutes

1. CALL TO ORDER

- a. Chairman Suenram called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm

2. ROLL CALL (X-PRESENT, A-ABSENT, E-EXCUSED)

_____ X Chair Suenram
_____ X Vice-Chair Adams
_____ X Secretary/Treasurer Brady
_____ A Trustee Campbell
_____ X Trustee Huff

Guests present include Chief Tyson Woods, Assistant Chief Tony Sission

- 3. Public Comment (for items not on the agenda)** – A fundamental element of democracy is the right of citizens to address their elected representatives; therefore, any citizen may provide written or verbal public comments during this time that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board of Trustees. No Board action or discussion shall be taken on public comment and comments shall be limited to three (3) minutes per person.
- 4. CONSENT ITEMS:** Consent items are non-controversial and can be acted upon at one time without discussion. **Any member of the Board may pull any consent item for discussion and separate action.**
- a. Approval of AGENDA
 - b. Approval of the MINUTES from July 8th, 2026 – a regular scheduled meeting
 - c. Approval of warrants and financial report for June / July

Trustee Brady made a motion to approve agenda, minutes and warrants from July 8th. Trustee Adams seconded the motion. Motion was approved.

Charter Spectrum	Internet	\$105.05	Ck#10431
Century Link	Phone	\$132.85	Ck#10432
Ravalli Electric	Utilities	\$137.36	Ck#10433
Northwestern Energy	Utilities- Charlos & Skalkaho (bills available 9-10th)	\$347.69	Ck#10434 – voided Ck#10450
Farmers: Visa -Card 1 8407 Card 2 9583	Wildland Gear	\$115.53	Ck#10435
Visa – Card 3255	Microsoft, fees	\$113.28	Ck#10436
Stacy Oren	Cleaning - Skalkaho & Charlos	\$150.00	Ck#10437
Ronda Taggart	Admin Bookkeeping	\$508.75	Ck#10438
Sula Peak Repair & Lawn	Mowing – Charlos & Skalkaho	\$900.00	Ck#10439
Northwest Fire Services	7122	\$1211.40	Ck#10440
Carquest	7113	\$815.37	Ck#10441-voided Ck#10451
Bug Off Pest Control	Summer Insect Spray – Charlos & Skalkaho	\$250.00	Ck#104042
Flathead Communications	Radio part	\$80.00	Ck#104043
VFIS	General – Installment 2 = \$2349.00 Auto – Installment 2 = \$3186.00	\$5535.00	Ck#104044
Energy Partners Propane	Propane – Charlos	\$780.96	Ck#104045
Evans' Ace	7122	\$24.85	Ck#104046 – voided Ck#104054
Jerry Wessels	7103 battery	\$281.58	Ck#104047 – voided Ck#104053

Best Fire Equipment	Annual Service Skalkaho - \$276.00 Charlos - \$136.00	\$412.00	Ck#104048
Rocky Mountain Doors	Door remotes	\$59.00	Ck#104049

5. CORRESPONDENCE AND COMMUNICATIONS

- a. VFIS check received for bay door replacement at Skalkaho Station

6. TRUSTEES REPORTS

- a. Mayor wants to interview Fire Chief and Officer Candidates tomorrow 8/13/26 at 4 pm, looking for a representative from the Rural Board. Trustee Huff agreed to represent the board.

7. VOLUNTEER FIRE ASSOCIATION REPORT

- a. Picnic this weekend at 1 pm

8. FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

- a. **Chief's Report - Chief Tyson Wood;** reviewed calls, hose testing completed, no failed sections, participated in Robert's Run, National Night Out, Darby Tug of War, two fatal calls, two new fight fighters joining, 2 applications in process, 2 applications out, 1 candidate failed physical test
- b. **Assistant Chief's Report –** 7122 bill for turbo gasket leak, 7113 bill coming for fuel sending unit, back up alarm issues, pump testing will be first week of October, all truck checks will start again in January. Pump / fill site issues need discussion. Knox box key brief discussion.

9. DISCUSSION AND DECISION; none

10. DISCUSSION ON; none

11. UPDATE ON:

- a. **Tax Roll Audit** – Trustee Brady; nothing
- b. **New Fire Station Location & ISO Audit** – Trustee Brady; nothing
- c. **dot gov Domain Name/Emails**–Trustee Brady; nothing
- d. **Digitization of Documents onto OneDrive**– Trustee Campbell **(TABLED)**
- e. **Storage Building** – Chairman Suenram/Vice Chair Adams; waiting on engineer to sign plans
- f. **New command vehicle** – Chief Woods; Chief thinks it should be put to bid
- g. **Interlocal Agreement Committee** – Vice Chair Adams / Trustee Brady; waiting on the city for the final draft
- h. **Rural Work Comp Policy** – **(TABLED)**
- i. **Virtual Meeting Policy Edits** – Chairman Suenram; waiting on camera, Trustee Brady in charge of that
- j. **Foss Minor Subdivision**; Chair sent the draft to county, will provide comments to engineer
- k. **Administrative Duties / Replacement**; working on draft of duties, will follow up

12. ANNOUNCEMENTS; none

13. NEXT MEETING: The next scheduled meeting will be on September 9th at 5:30 pm at the Skalkaho Station

14. ADJOURNED

Meeting adjourned at 5:56 pm

Approved by:



Board Chairman



Secretary/Treasurer