

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE WOOD RIVER FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

Call Meeting to Order: Commissioner Jay Bailet called the meeting of the Wood River Fire Protection District to order on December 20, 2023, at Wood River Fire District Station 3, 11053 State Hwy 75, Bellevue, Idaho at 3:00 PM.

Attendance: Commissioners Jay Bailet, Dennis Kavanagh, Steven Garman, Chief Ron Bateman (via Zoom), Operations Chief Bass Sears, Office Manager Stephanie Jaskowski

Open Session for Public Comments: None.

Consent Agenda:

Action Item: Approve and Sign Meeting Minutes from the Commissioner Meeting on November 15, 2023. **Commissioner Garman motioned to approve the minutes from November 15th, 2023, Commissioner Meeting, Commissioner Kavanagh seconded the motion. All Commissioners Garman, Kavanagh and Bailet are in favor, motion carried.**

Action Item: Approve and Sign November 2023 Payables. **Commissioner Garman motioned to approve and sign the November 2023 Payables; Commissioner Kavanagh seconded the motion. All Commissioners, Garman, Kavanagh and Bailet are in favor, motion carried.**

Chief Report:

ITEM: Emergency Medical Services Agreement (Chief's Report / Action Item)

DESCRIPTION: After last month's meeting, I let the County know that the BoFCs had asked to have the inventory updated and Paragraph 17 corrected to reflect WRFR's participation. As of 9 AM this morning, we have not received an updated document.

Stephanie has submitted an invoice, as she does every month, for our December payment. She believes we will receive it tomorrow.

ACTION PROPOSED: As with last month, it would be my recommendation not to sign this agreement until it is corrected to reflect our capital inventory and our participation in the project. *Subject to any discussion, this is up for action, if desired.*

Commissioners discussed and decided to sign the corrected document at the January 2024 Meeting.

ITEM: Command Vehicle – 611 (Chief's Report)

DESCRIPTION: I wanted to have a brief discussion about me and the department vehicle that I have at my apartment with which to respond to after-hours emergencies. It has become problematic at best for half the year to have 611 at my place.

Absent any extensive commentary, the City has allowed for the construction of housing absent the ability to park commensurate with that housing. There are only 16 (off the street) parking spots at 402 N. River Street. There are 16 apartments, more than half 2-bedrooms. Beyond that, the City has put in place new restrictions (that as I interpret them mean I shouldn't park on the street even absent plowing being a necessity), and the neighbors are unhappy with us parking adjacent to their building. I have included a recent Mt Express article and a scan of the note left taped on 611 on 12/2/23.

Chief Sears and I have discussed how this vehicle might be used operationally; I can let him explain more, but it would be positioned at Station 3 and may be helpful on certain CFS. I am happy to walk to work and utilize a department vehicle if needed.

ACTION PROPOSED: *Subject to any discussion, I would like general direction.*

Commissioners had discussions on options for parking Squad 611 as the response vehicle near the Chief's residence and will work on finding a location.

The Chief mentioned the Consolidation Effort project groups are WIP on developing the JPA agreement and laid out a theoretical 2024 timeline for accomplishment of this project.

Operations Chief Report:

We are operating!

1118 calls in 2023, 3.17 per day on average, 119% of three year moving average projects to ~1,160 calls in 2023. 88% of calls have been EMS.

Vehicles

E653

Suffered from ECM failure requiring towing to Jerome and repairs which totaled \$4,000. Now has significant pump leak and frozen pressure gauge.

T682

Back in Boise (E652 was brought back and T682 taken over by contract driver supplied by Hughes Fire due to time sensitivity) for additional repairs (throttle, pump).

Tacoma

5+ months later we have both mobile radios for this vehicle, will require going to Boise for installs.

Medical Director

Malie Kopplin is the new medical director. Has already met with training cadre and administration. Very engaged and enthusiastic. Going forward her emphasis is going to be training and communication between agencies and medical direction.

Station 1 Bays

All cabinets were moved out of the two "active" bays (ambulance and engine) at Station 1 and put into the third bay that currently houses the Tacoma. This will allow more space to spread out EMS supplies (necessitating less oversight because orders can be larger and more "front stock" can be on each shelf) and make it easier to restock ambulances after calls.

Medications were moved to that bay as well, putting everything (except narcotics) in one location for easier restocking.

Completed Onboarding

Five EMTs have completed their onboarding process, a significant step in their education as new (or new to us) EMTs: Riley Hopeman, Lenny Joseph, Chris Robinson, Sarah Linville and Sarah Driggs. These five are now approved to provide patient care by themselves in the back of the ambulance (patient condition depending) and start working towards their “ambulance rating” to qualify for IV/IO/BIAD class.

ALERRT ACTIVE SHOOTER TRAINING

6 WRFR members took the two day ALERRT Active Attack Integrated Response class with members of other fire/EMS agencies and multiple law enforcement agencies. Quality training, good interaction with local law enforcement, with luck we’ll never use it. WRFR members showed their skill and scene management ability, acquitted themselves very well.

Commissioner Garman asked how communication efforts went between all the agencies during this type of event and Ops Chief Sears thought it went well in establishing a Unified Command and briefly described how Unified Command goes with the agencies response to the incident.

New EMTs joined as EMS Only

Tara Hansen: dual member with Carey Fire, looking to work as EMS only member to enhance her skills and experience.

Sophie Nasvik: born and raised local back in the valley after school and working ski patrol in Colorado.

A third individual (patrolling on Baldy this year, applying to PA school in the summer) expressed interest in volunteering / riding along but we simply don’t have the bandwidth to bring someone along for such a short time period commitment.

Fire Marshal Report:

As the 2023 year comes to an end, here’s some numbers from this year compared to last year. As of today, I’ve reviewed 49 building permits versus 70 last year. I have completed 46 final fire inspections on new buildings this year compared to only 40 last year.

During the fall and early winter of 2022, I was considerably busier with plan reviews and fire code questions than I have been this year. While it is slow right now, only time will tell if an actual construction slowdown is beginning. Most of the contractors I’ve talked to have multiple projects already planned for next spring. None of the contractors seem to be looking for jobs which translates to a busy construction year beginning in the spring (or this winter if it doesn’t snow!).

The ISRB Survey that everybody helped with was completed and our evaluation was almost complete by the Bureau however our representative contacted us needing some more information on our pressurized fire hydrant systems. I sent him all the information I could get but we still haven’t received our final ISO Rating letter or heard from our ISRB representative.

Once again, I am thankful for all the work that our members did to get all our water supplies tested this year for the ISRB evaluation. It was a monumental task given our ever-increasing emergency call volume.

Commissioners asked about the status of the ISRB evaluation, Ops Chief Sears responded that Marshal Elle responded to ISRB on a few questions. We are still awaiting a final response from the agency.

Old Business: None

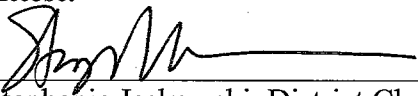
New Business: OM Jaskowski handed out the 2024 Commissioner Meeting Schedule to the Commissioners. She also mentioned the CPA Audit of the FY23 record keeping was held on December 6th and it went well. We can expect to have the Auditor's Report presented at the February 2024 Commissioner Meeting.

Any Other Business: None

Adjourn: Commissioner Garman motioned to adjourn the regular meeting and Commissioner Kavanagh seconded the motion for Adjournment at 3:25 pm. Roll Call Vote, Commissioners Bailet, Garman and Kavanagh voted all in favor, motion carried, meeting adjourned.

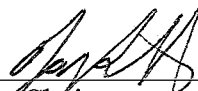
Meeting Adjourned.

Attest:



Stephanie Jaskowski, District Clerk

APPROVED:



Jay Bailet, Chairman



Steven Garman, Commissioner

Dennis Kavanagh, Commissioner

Date: 1/17/2024

https://www.mtexpress.com/news/hailey/hailey-adopts-new-winter-towing-protocols-fees/article_7fd05f7e-993e-11ee-8ff7-ab3eb7b90e53.html

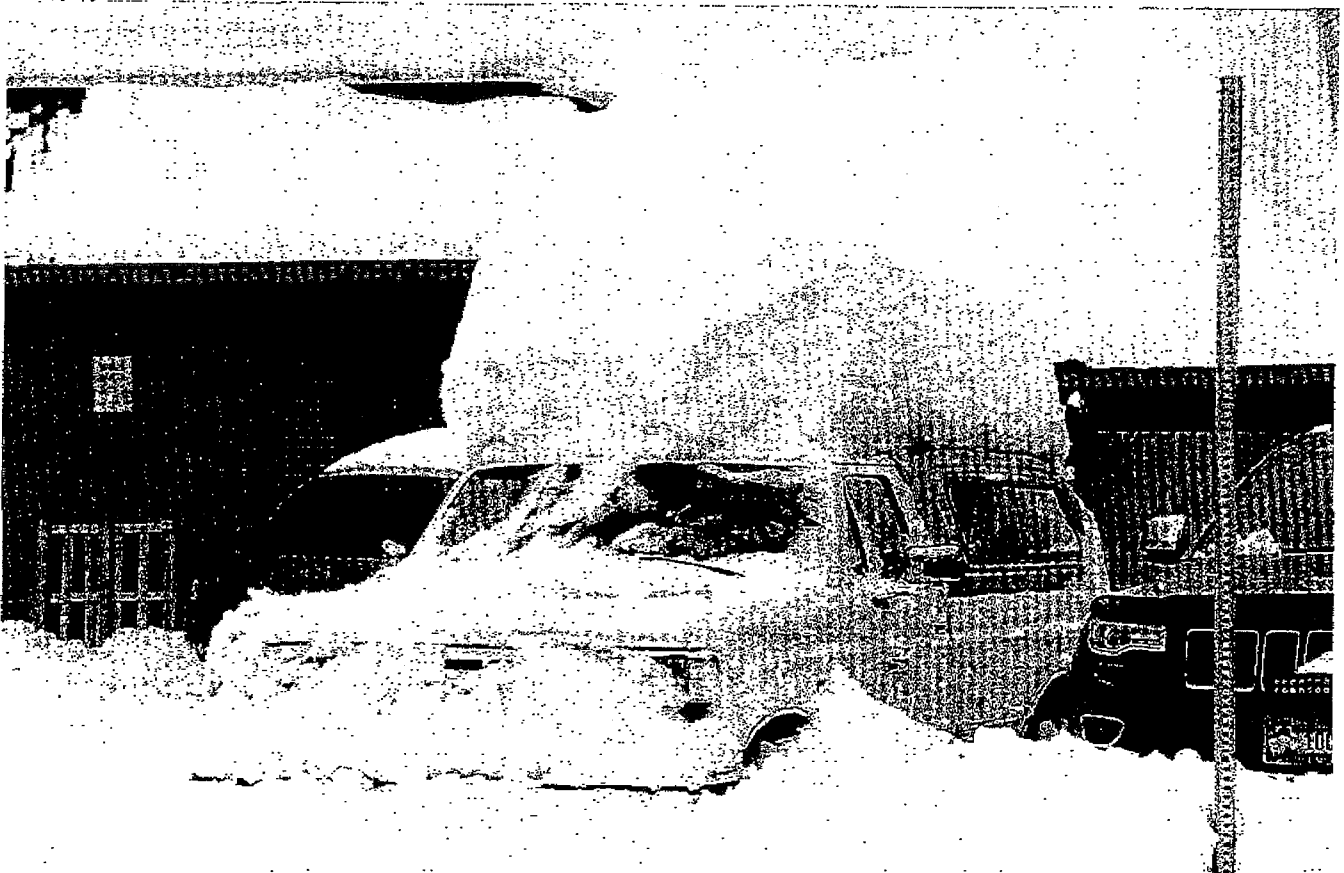
FEATURED

Hailey adopts new winter towing protocols, fees

Council also recommends \$40 tickets for engine idling

By EMILY JONES Express Staff Write

Dec 13, 2023



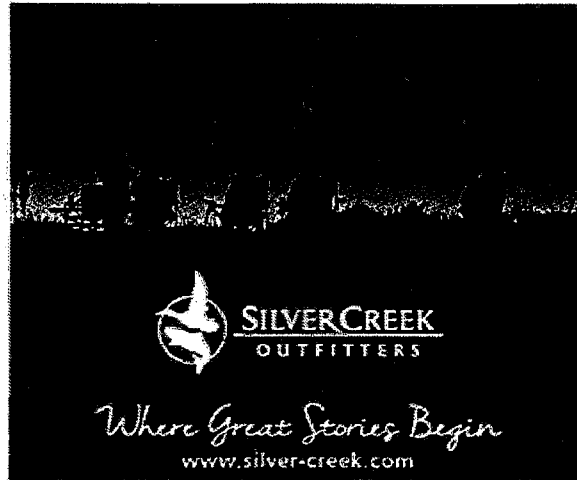
In Hailey, parking on any city street within 6 feet of a curb is prohibited from midnight to 7 a.m. from November through April.

Express photo by Willy Cook

The Hailey City Council on Monday, Dec. 11, unanimously voted to establish new winter-season parking regulations in the city—effective immediately—in hopes of clearing confusion over where and how residents should retrieve impounded vehicles and pay tickets.

The council also voted to establish a maximum towing fee of \$125 and overnight parking violation tickets of \$40, putting the total fee, including towing and parking ticket, at \$165.

Prior to this week, retrieval fees in Hailey were as high as \$400, according to Hailey City Administrator Lisa Horowitz.



Under Hailey code, it's illegal to park on any street or within six feet of a curb between 12 a.m.-7 a.m. from Nov. 1 to May 1. Unlike Ketchum, the city does not have any approved overnight parking sites or even-odd street parking systems. None of this will change under the new regulations adopted this week.

What will change: vehicles will no longer be towed to an impound lot at the Wastewater Treatment Plant in the south end of the Woodside neighborhood, but rather to the Park & Ride lot, more conveniently located at the River Street & Bullion Street bus stop. Tickets will also be paid online to a third-party site called Data Ticket instead of directly to the city.

“Data Ticket ... chases after the people who don't pay, so it's greatly relieving,” Horowitz told the council. “Ketchum has been very pleased with them. The arrangement seems to pay for itself.”

Both Horowitz and Public Works Director Brian Yeager explained the pitfalls of the city's previous towing system on Monday. Horowitz said the south-Woodside impound lot was normally locked, and vehicles could only be retrieved during Wastewater Plant business hours with supervision by the towing company—and after residents paid up to \$400 in all-cash.

“Citizens had to wait until the plant was open in the morning, and then were paying really a high fee to the company—\$350 to \$400—to retrieve their vehicle,” she said.

Making matters worse, Yeager said that enforcement has been uneven across the board due to towing limitations. While street crews may have needed to tow up to 30 vehicles in any given night last winter to make way for plows, the tow company that the city contracted with—Advanced Towing & Recovery Specialists—had a limit of “five vehicles per night,” he said.

Because the newly adopted towing program is more cost effective, council members reasoned on Monday that the city should be more aggressive with the deployment of towing.

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Juan Martinez

Hailey councilman

“If we can’t get our work done and remove the snow for the betterment of the entire community, then it should be a pretty big fine,” Councilwoman Kaz Thea said. “Word of mouth spreads when you’re getting a ticket.”

Councilwoman Heidi Husbands agreed. “When it hits you in the pocketbook, people think twice,” she said.

Councilman Juan Martinez worried that “\$165 is a lot for somebody to cover in this economy and with this housing market,” and advocated for a friendlier warning system.

~~“A lot of the parking issues that we’re seeing are from overcrowded living [situations] more than anything—one bedrooms that two, three people are trying to share,”~~ he said.

“Before we start dinging people, we should consider what this will do to somebody. I think a strict warning saying “this is not acceptable in this township, and next time you’ll be

charged this amount' is OK. People should know about the consequences. You can risk it, but then it's on you."

Councilman Sam Linnet said he shared Martinez's concerns and advocated for "equitable" enforcement.

"I hear you, Juan. These fines are somewhat regressive in that wealthier individuals have an easier time paying to violate whatever our ordinance is," he said. "But we also have discretion over who we prosecute, who we write tickets for and whether we waive those or not."

Here's what to know about Hailey's new pilot winter towing and ticketing program that the council adopted this week:

- On a snow night, Hailey's community service officers will issue first-time warnings, or tickets in the case of vehicles that directly impede snow removal. The officers' handheld devices will scan license plates and pull up previous warnings attached to the vehicle to assist with ticketing decisions. All warnings and tickets will be placed on the windshield and have instructions in both English and Spanish. Community service officers will notify a selected towing company which vehicles must be towed, and to where. Cars and trucks flagged for towing will be taken to either the Park & Ride lot, or to a city-owned lot in Woodside, whichever is closer. The city is still determining which tow contractor it will use, according to Yeager, and may continue business with Advanced Towing. The vehicle owner must retrieve their vehicle from the city-owned lot the next day. Hailey will contract with Data Ticket for parking citation, billing, processing and late fees. These can be paid after retrieval at dataticket.com. Those without smartphones can pay on computers at the Hailey Public Library or Hailey City Hall. Appeals can be submitted to Data Ticket and reviewed by Hailey Staff.

Council members on Monday also recommended ramping up enforcement of the city's 2020 idling ordinance, which states that drivers must turn off their car after three minutes for air quality reasons. Anyone who violates that should expect a \$40 ticket, according to Horowitz. "I think we should start charging idling vehicles because it's everywhere and until people realize that they're going to get charged, they will continue to do it," Thea said. (OBJ)

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On Wednesday, December 6, 2023 at 11:52:25 AM MST,
Sawtooth Property Services, LLC
<mail@managebuilding.com> wrote:

Dear Ron,

I've had a few tenants express that all of the parking stalls are filled each evening without a space for them to park. Please know that only **one vehicle per apartment is allowed** to park in the covered areas for the building. We will be monitoring the situation going forward to identify who is parking more than the one allowed vehicle.

If you know who is parking more than one vehicle, please let me know. If you have seen someone that does not live at Silver River Apartments parking, let me know that as well.

I don't want to but may have to assign parking stalls by apartment designation. Hopefully we don't have to do that and can work together to share the parking lot equitably.

Thank you for your cooperation.

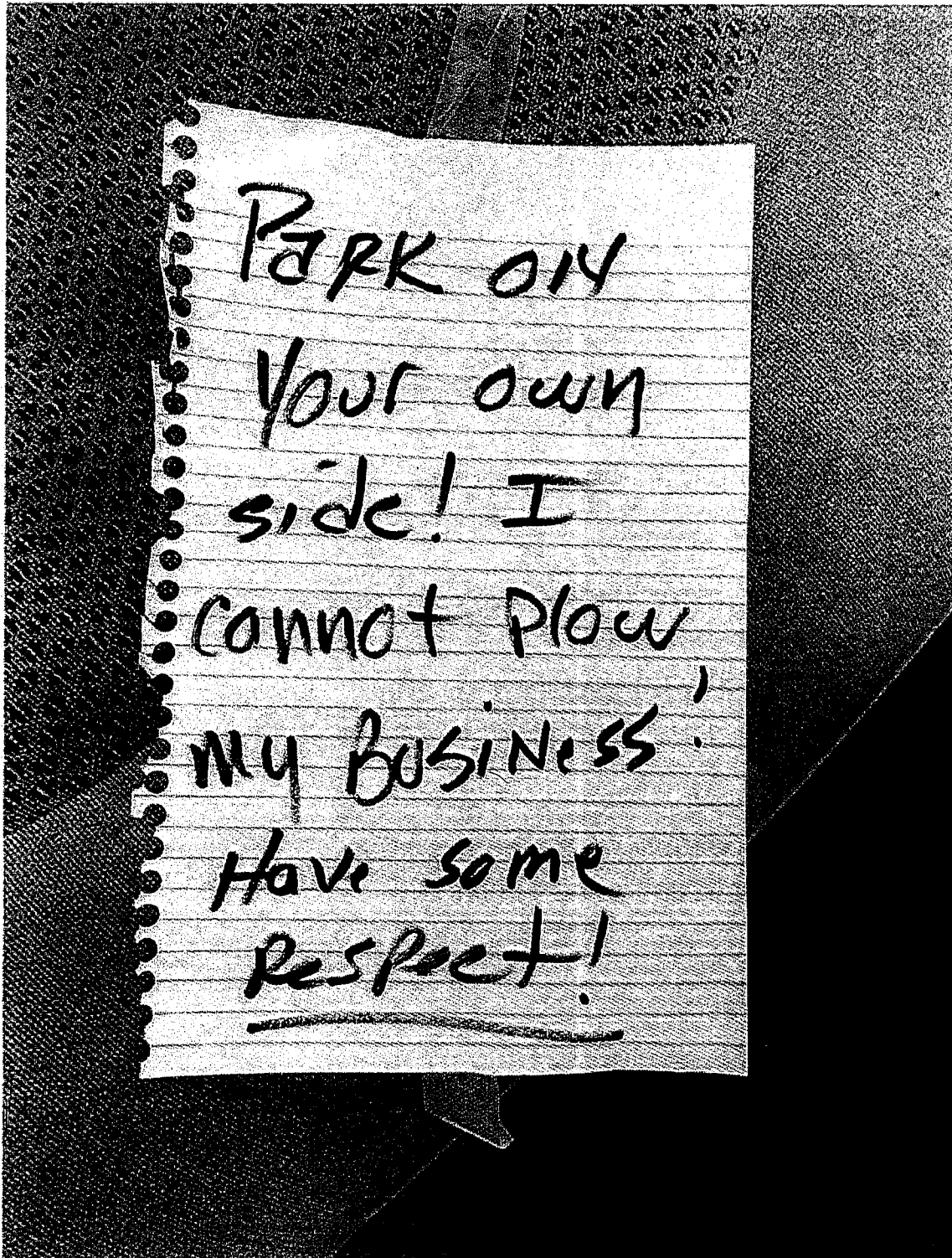
Jon Gilmour

Sawtooth Property Services, LLC

208-720-5893 * Jon@SawtoothProperties.com

(No subject)

Ronald Bateman <ron_bateman@icloud.com>
Thu 12/14/23 8:09 AM
To: Ron Bateman <rbateman@wfs.com>



Sent from my iPhone

WOOD RIVER FIRE & RESCUE

1/13/2024 2:22 PM

Register: 1100 · Cash & Cash Equivalents:1100.1 · Mtn West Checking

From 12/01/2023 through 12/31/2023

Sorted by: Date, Type, Number/Ref

Date	Number	Payee	Account	Memo	Payment C	Deposit	Balance
12/01/2023	25688	BIG WOOD FITNESS	2200 · Accounts Payable		375.00		70,400.11
12/01/2023	25689	BLUE CROSS OF L...	2200 · Accounts Payable		18,986.91		51,413.20
12/01/2023	25690	PICABO TOWER L...	2200 · Accounts Payable		900.00		50,513.20
12/01/2023	25692	DELTA DENTAL	2200 · Accounts Payable		1,385.78		49,127.42
12/04/2023			12000 · Undeposited F...	Deposit		261.80	49,389.22
12/04/2023	AutoPay3	IDAHO POWER	E · ADMINISTRATIO...		334.63		49,054.59
12/07/2023	ACH	FIRST BANKCARD	2200 · Accounts Payable		4,786.05		44,268.54
12/08/2023			-split-	Deposit		48.10	44,316.64
12/08/2023	ACH	CITY OF HAILEY / ...	2200 · Accounts Payable		151.60		44,165.04
12/08/2023	25693	AMAZON.COM	2200 · Accounts Payable		818.02		43,347.02
12/08/2023	25694	ATKINSON'S MAR...	2200 · Accounts Payable		108.81		43,238.21
12/08/2023	25695	BLAINE COUNTY ...	2200 · Accounts Payable		8,707.52		34,530.69
12/08/2023	25696	BOUND TREE ME...	2200 · Accounts Payable		1,175.57		33,355.12
12/08/2023	25697	CLEARWATER LA...	2200 · Accounts Payable		311.00		33,044.12
12/08/2023	25698	CR WIRELESS, LLC	2200 · Accounts Payable	VOID:Stopped...		X	33,044.12
12/08/2023	25699	CURTIS, L.N.	2200 · Accounts Payable		1,984.50		31,059.62
12/08/2023	25700	ES CHAT	2200 · Accounts Payable		114.25		30,945.37
12/08/2023	25701	FIRSTNET	2200 · Accounts Payable	287320825102	124.61		30,820.76
12/08/2023	25702	IDAHO STATE POL...	2200 · Accounts Payable		40.00		30,780.76
12/08/2023	25703	INTEGRATED TEC...	2200 · Accounts Payable		228.46		30,552.30
12/08/2023	25704	JANE'S ARTIFACTS	2200 · Accounts Payable		35.30		30,517.00
12/08/2023	25705	KARL MALONE F...	2200 · Accounts Payable		206.40		30,310.60
12/08/2023	25706	LL GREEN'S HARD...	2200 · Accounts Payable		80.89		30,229.71
12/08/2023	25707	MCKESSON	2200 · Accounts Payable		751.92		29,477.79
12/08/2023	25708	MOTOROLA SOLU...	2200 · Accounts Payable		777.40		28,700.39
12/08/2023	25709	MR. DEE	2200 · Accounts Payable		2,300.00		26,400.39
12/08/2023	25710	MSBT LAW	2200 · Accounts Payable		922.50		25,477.89
12/08/2023	25711	SATELLITE PHON...	2200 · Accounts Payable		67.19		25,410.70
12/08/2023	25712	UNITED OIL (Christ...	2200 · Accounts Payable		587.91		24,822.79
12/08/2023	25713	VALLEY COUNTR...	2200 · Accounts Payable	123811	602.82		24,219.97
12/08/2023	25714	VERIZON WIRELE...	2200 · Accounts Payable	565720461-00...	404.99		23,814.98
12/08/2023	25715	WEIDNER FIRE, IN...	2200 · Accounts Payable		13,842.30		9,972.68
12/08/2023	25716	WSCFF EMPLOYE...	2200 · Accounts Payable		550.00		9,422.68
12/08/2023	25717	COX COMMUNICA...	2200 · Accounts Payable		241.79		9,180.89
12/10/2023	AutoPay1	CENTURY LINK	E · ADMINISTRATIO...	Station 1	246.28		8,934.61
12/11/2023			1100 · Cash & Cash E...	Funds Transfer ...		75,000.00	83,934.61
12/12/2023			4200 · Other Revenue:...	Deposit		500.00	84,434.61
12/12/2023			4200 · Other Revenue:...	Deposit		500.00	84,934.61
12/13/2023	AutoPay3	INTERMOUNTAIN ...	E · ADMINISTRATIO...		264.92		84,669.69
12/14/2023			-split-	Deposit		48.10	84,717.79

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12/14/2023	BASE	PERSI	-split-	M040	13,186.68		71,531.11
12/14/2023	CHOICE	PERSI	2400 · Payroll Liabiliti...	M040	3,925.69		67,605.42
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12/14/2023	AutoPay1	INTERMOUNTAIN ...	E · ADMINISTRATIO...		89.12		52,955.12
12/14/2023	AutoPay2	INTERMOUNTAIN ...	E · ADMINISTRATIO...		135.08		52,820.04
12/14/2023			1100 · Cash & Cash E...	Cash Transfer -...	35,830.93		16,989.11
12/14/2023			1100 · Cash & Cash E...	Funds Transfer ...	4,577.70		12,411.41
12/15/2023			-split-	Deposit		14,957.63	27,369.04
12/21/2023	ACH	C3 INTEGRATED S...	B · CONTRACTURA...		418.77		26,950.27
12/21/2023	25718	AMAZON.COM	2200 · Accounts Payable		331.59		26,618.68
12/21/2023	25719	GILLS POINT S-hAL...	2200 · Accounts Payable		122.95		26,495.73
12/21/2023	25720	GREAT AMERICA ...	2200 · Accounts Payable		119.00		26,376.73
12/21/2023	25721	INTEGRATED TEC...	2200 · Accounts Payable		43.03		26,333.70
12/21/2023	25722	ZOLL MEDICAL C...	2200 · Accounts Payable		1,208.00		25,125.70
12/21/2023	25726	BASS SEARS	2200 · Accounts Payable		99.99		25,025.71
12/22/2023			-split-	Deposit		48.10	25,073.81
12/26/2023	AutoPay1	IDAHO POWER	E · ADMINISTRATIO...		295.35		24,778.46
12/26/2023	AutoPay2	IDAHO POWER	E · ADMINISTRATIO...		123.14		24,655.32
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12/28/2023	BASE	PERSI	-split-	M040	14,394.69		95,260.63
12/28/2023	CHOICE	PERSI	2400 · Payroll Liabiliti...	M040	4,150.51		91,110.12
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12/31/2023	25749	WR FIRE FIGHTER...	2400 · Payroll Liabiliti...		945.84		159,718.29

Wood River Fire & Rescue – Accounts Payable Report
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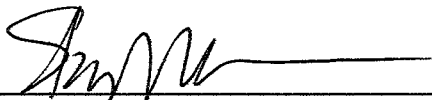
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Balance Sheet

As of December 31, 2023

Dec 31, 23

▼ ASSETS	
▼ Current Assets	
▼ Checking/Savings	
▼ 1100 - Cash & Cash Equivalents	
▼ 1100.1 - Mtn West Checking	
1100.11 - Mtn West Sweep	88,390.36
1100.1 - Mtn West Checking - Other	71,327.93
Total 1100.1 - Mtn West Checking	159,718.29
1100.2 - Mtn West Capital Checking	6,013.75
1100.3 - LGIP - Operations	1,586,364.91
1100.33 - LGIP - Capital Funds	631,440.29
1100.4 - Petty Cash	80.00
Total 1100 - Cash & Cash Equivalents	2,383,617.24
Total Checking/Savings	2,383,617.24
▼ Accounts Receivable	
▼ 1150 - Accounts Receivable	
1151 - Accounts Receivable, net	131,468.35
1152 - Property Taxes Receivable	23,868.63
Total 1150 - Accounts Receivable	155,356.98
Total Accounts Receivable	155,356.98
Total Current Assets	2,538,974.22



Stephanie Jaskowski, District Clerk

APPROVED:



Jay Bailey, Commissioner



Steven Garman, Commissioner

Dennis Kavanagh, Commissioner

DATE: 1/17/2024