

# BLUE RIVER IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

## MEETING MINUTES

June 24, 2025 –5:30 pm

1. Attendance: Dustin Deuling, Rui Dykeman, Bruce Myer, Andy Boughton, Prabh Sandhu, and Erin Choney via owl.
2. Meeting started at 5:38pm
3. MINUTES & APPROVAL
  - Rui moved the minutes as circulated, Bruce seconded.
4. CORRESPONDANCE
  - Request for utilities from Derek V. Smoluk Notary corp – Let her know that all utilities are billed from TNRD as we don't charge for water or garbage.
  - Emil Anderson Highway 5 flooding update
  - Sponsorship thank you from Sled Blue River for the 2024-2025 sponsorship.
  - Been temporary Banking interruption June 20-23.
5. FINACIALS
  - \$249,921.19 as of Today
    - Did we want to put some of this into high interest savings account rather than have it all in a business chequing account? Look into rates and
  - \$75,954.97 in Fire truck account as of today
  - \$209,024.66 1-year non-redeemable Term Deposit – June 16, 2024- Coming up for renewal June 16, 2025.
    - New amount is \$219,057.84, we made \$10,033.18
  - \$36,154.24 in BRVFD account as of today
  - Budget and drilled down numbers for next meeting.
6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
  - Street lighting
    - Look into what it cost to put a pole in- in progress- Emailed again- Need to call to find out.
      - If it's within 30 meters of existing service its minimal but ever case is different
        - If MW wants a light we can get a quote.
        - Remove this from agenda
  - Volunteer Fire Department
    - Update from the fire chief
      - One call out – MW brush pile lit up again(second call out), one more call out and there will be charges – Andy to talk to them.
      - Drill down the budget more into 3 divisions, Admin BRVFD and Street lighting. – Erin should have some numbers end of this week.
      - The grant has a new administrator, so the cheque is coming.
        - Orders are starting.
          - i. New hoses ordered.
        - Ordering the monitor, 8k, 5k from Trans mountain grant.
      - Andy is going to talk to the compressor guy.
        - Compressor is lined up but need to make some upgrades to that room.
          - i. Erik quoted \$3000 to make all needed needed upgraded to the electrical(\$1200), Ventilation(\$1000) and wall and floor repair (\$800).
            1. Rui made the motion to get the needed upgrade for the compressor at a budget of \$3000.00, Bruce seconded the motion.
      - Engine light came on in the crew truck – Bruce to read the code and see what it says. – no codes and lights when bruce checked.
      - Andy is working on a new call out sheet that gathers more info for andy for reporting.
  - Other Business
    - We applied and were approved fort \$2,500.00 towards the bathroom update in the hall from North Thompson community foundations.
    - Firehall Reno
      - Scope of work still being put together. Amy is working on it– Being put together Everyone is being asked input.

- More room to park, extra garage door for easier access and to safely have both trucks in the fire hall. Bring ideas to the next meeting.
  - Look into how/where to post the bid.
- Firetruck insurance is coming up at the beginning of July and will need an inspection- Andy to get inspection.
- Commercial Insurance is coming for renewal in the middle of June.- Rui made a motion to insurance. Bruce seconded. Renewed and paid
- Erin will get Member remuneration sent out via e-transfers tomorrow(may27)- sent out.
- Blue River Improvement District Fire Department Regulations Bylaw No. 167, 2025 additions.
  - There is a section that gives the fire chief permission to make property owners clean up their property for fire safety. And issue fines between \$1,000 - \$25,000.
  - Should a trustee or fire department member should have to attend court for any reason they will receive compensation. Govt rate per KM as well as a half day rate of \$100 And full day rate \$200 plus expenses and kms.
  - And add the charge out fee for the crew truck and fire truck per hour.
- New approval of Bylaw 167 will be needed once all adjustments are made

#### 7. NEW BUSINESS

- Setting up an eco depot account. There was a slip from town clean up and with renos coming up we might need it. – email from TNRD
- No fire works for Canada day fire hazard is a bit high to doing fireworks.

Meeting Adjourned at 6:26 by Bruce, Rui seconded

Next Meeting July 2025, 5:30pm