

Greenhorn Creek Community Services District
A Firewise Community
Meeting Minutes
Thursday, July 18, 2024, 6 PM
Greenhorn Fire Station
2049 Red Bluff Circle
Greenhorn Ranch

1. Roll Call:

The meeting is called to order at 6:02 pm. Chair Rebecca Herrin present, Vice-Chair Greg Neal present, Director Amanda Higgins present.

Staff Anthony Campbell present.

2. Public Comment:

There is discussion regarding the new construction on Running Springs and requirements for water service.

3. Board Comments and Reports:

Chair Herrin has sent a response email to Jade and Brendan Pratt about water service hookup requirements and fees for the new home planned for Running Springs. Vice-Chair Neal followed up with a site visit and spoke with Brendan.

4. Approval of the minutes of the meetings of June 20, 2024:

M/S/C: Higgins/Neal/3-0.

5. Finance Reports:

- A. The monthly financial reports are accepted as submitted.

6. Public Hearing Item: Submission to Plumas County Tax Collector for Collection Via Secured Property Tax Statement:

There are two parcels located within the District with significant delinquent water charges (\$2,329.25 and \$2,076.23). The water has been turned off at both properties. This item, if approved, will allow the Plumas County Tax Collector to add these charges to the property tax bill.

The public hearing is opened. There is no public comment. The public hearing is closed.

M/S/C: Higgins/Neal/3-0 to adopt Resolution No. 2024-7112-A Resolution of the Greenhorn Creek Community Services District Requesting Collection of Charges on Tax Roll.

7. Public Hearing Item: Discussion and Adoption of Preliminary Budget for Fiscal Year 2024/2025:

The public hearing is opened. There is no public comment.

The Board discusses the remaining budget line items under the Fire Department Budget.

M/S/C: Higgins/Neal/3-0 to adopt Resolution No. 2024-7113 – A Resolution of the Greenhorn Creek Community Services District Approving and Adopting the Annual Budget for Fiscal Year 2024-2025 with a Prop 4 Spending Limit of \$128,640.

Two other resolutions have been added to the agenda:

M/S/C: Higgins/Neal/3-0 to adopt Resolution No. 2024-7114-A Resolution of the Greenhorn Creek Community Services District Continuing the Water Standby Assessment at the Same Rate for FY 2024-2025.

M/S/C: Higgins/Neal/3-0 to adopt Resolution No. 2024-7115- A Resolution of the Greenhorn Creek Community Services District Requesting Collection of Charges on Tax Roll.

8. Water Department:

A. Update on Water System Issues. Anthony Campbell provides the update. The power outages on the July 4th weekend resulted in one of the water tanks being drained. This happened after Campbell left the site. The tank level was about 1 foot after the booster pump kicked out and the tank drained.

The tank took about 1 ½ days to fill after the power was reset. Slide gauges would allow the tank levels to be read without power and are on the list for future improvements.

8. Fire Department:

A. Update on Fire Department Activity. Chief Tyson Rael is not present, but has provided an update.

Charlie Read passed away the first week of July and is irreplaceable with his knowledge and capabilities as an engineer. He will leave a big hole in our department and we hope our members can step up to run the apparatus as smoothly as he did. Services have not yet been announced.

One of our drivers has moved to Quincy temporarily and is unavailable except by personal vehicle for the time being. Another driver has taken a new job with unpredictable hours so will be mostly unavailable for emergencies or training for the foreseeable future. That means there are no available drivers currently other than possibly Rael and the other driver who is currently in Quincy having to drive to the Greenhorn station to pick up an engine with an extended ETA.

Two people have expressed interest in volunteering and have received information packets.

Rael is in the process of getting a new personal vehicle which will leave a gap in availability of a command vehicle. Installation of lights and siren on the new vehicle may take some time. Rael is also investigating the possibility of installing a drop-in camper shell/drawer/shelving unit in the new pickup truck so that all of his medical gear can be removed from the cab for safety reasons as well as to provide easier access to the equipment during winter months.

Vice-Chair Neal is interested in the possibility of purchasing a command vehicle for the department and will look into cost estimates. Campbell adds that the Plumas Eureka Community Service District Fire Department has a vehicle that they are interested in donating to some other district. He will investigate.

B. Status of Greenhorn Fire Department. *Discussion of possible annexation, consolidation action with Quincy Fire Protection District.*

There is no new action to report. Chair Herrin is working to set up a meeting with Frank Carey, Quincy Fire Chief.

9. Adjournment at 6:39 pm to the next regular meeting scheduled for Thursday, August 15, 2024.

Rebecca Herrin, **Chair**