



CENTRAL VALLEY FIRE DISTRICT

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To: Central Valley Fire District Board of Trustees
From: Jay C Wittwer, Fire Chief
Date: November 12, 2025
RE: November 18, 2025, Board of Trustees Meeting

Members of the Board:

The regular meeting of the Central Valley Fire District Board of Trustees will take place on Tuesday, November 18, 2025, at 5:30 PM at Fire Station 1, 215 Wings Way, in the Training Classroom.

The regular board meeting will consist of:

- Routine Business and Reports.
- Presentation from Rich Merrell, Project Advisor regarding the Community Risk Assessment & Standard of Cover process during Nov 18-20 for CVFD.
- Adoption of Resolutions for funding of building project and vehicle purchase.

Please let me know if you have any additions or corrections. Thank you for the work that you do for our communities and for our agency.

Respectfully,

Jay C Wittwer

Jay C Wittwer, Fire Chief

Upcoming Events:

November 18-20 Tuesday through Thursday: Center for Public Safety Excellence (CPSE) CRA & SOC on site processes.

November 19, Wednesday: Vaccine Clinic at Station 1, 1:30 pm to 5:30 pm. Register here:

<https://form.jotform.com/253025548780157>

November 25, Tuesday: Belgrade Festival of Lights begins, see [EVENT DETAILS | Belgrade Community Coalition](#) for events.

December 3, Wednesday: CVFD Christmas Party – hosted by Trustees

December 5, Friday Night: Truck Village

December 6, Far Out and Waiting first aid class at Reese Creek Community Center 10am to 2pm

December 6, Saturday Night: Truck Convoy

CENTRAL VALLEY FIRE DISTRICT
215 Wings Way
Belgrade, MT 59714
Chairman Darren Wilkins

AGENDA: November 18, 2025

ALL MEETINGS OF THE CENTRAL VALLEY FIRE DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES ARE RECORDED.

Central Valley Fire District, Station 1, 215 Wings Way, Belgrade
REGULAR MEETING: 5:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER:

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL:

MINUTES APPROVED: October 14, 2025

FINANCIAL REVIEW & APPROVAL:

COMMUNICATIONS:

PUBLIC COMMENT: *Please state your name and address in an audible tone of voice for the record. This is the time for individuals to comment on matters falling within the purview of the Central Valley Fire District. There will also be an opportunity in conjunction with each agenda item for comments pertaining to that item. **Please limit your comments to three minutes.***

REPORTS:

Chief Report

Operations Report

Fire Prevention Report

Local 4939 Report

Trustee Report

City Report

Reports approved

ORDER OF BUSINESS:

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

- Community Risk Assessment & Standard of Cover Process Presentation by Rich Merrell, Project Advisor for CPSE

ACTION ITEMS:

- Consideration and Approval of Resolution 252606 to Secure a Loan with Stockman Bank for Heavy Rescue Apparatus
- Consideration and Approval of Resolution 252607 to Authorize the Borrowing of Funds for Fleet Services Shop Construction

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Next regular meeting date is: December 9, 2025

ADJOURNMENT:



**CENTRAL VALLEY FIRE DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING**

215 Wings Way
Belgrade, MT 59714
406-388-4480
(Fax): 406-388-6270

MEETING PLACE: Central Valley Fire District, Station 1
215 Wings Way, Belgrade, MT

DATE: October 14, 2025

TIME: Immediately following the Quarterly IFC Board of Appeals
Meeting which begins at 5:30 p.m.

| ATTENDANCE: | | <u>(Present)</u> | <u>(Absent)</u> |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|
| <i>Trustees:</i> | Darren Wilkins, Chairman | X | |
| | Ron Murray, Vice Chairman | X | |
| | Mark MacLeod, Sec/Treas. | X | |
| | Rob Holt | X | |
| | Ramie Blakeman | X | |
| <i>Fire Chief:</i> | Jay Wittwer | X | |
| <i>Operations Chief:</i> | Jeff Hurley | X | |
| <i>Fire Marshal:</i> | Jake Zlomie | | X |
| <i>Acting Clerk:</i> | Debbie Bloem | X | |
| <i>City Representative:</i> | Neil Cardwell | X | |

NOTICE: **ALL MEETINGS OF THE CENTRAL VALLEY FIRE DISTRICT BOARD
OF TRUSTEES ARE RECORDED**

GUESTS/VISITORS: Jim Martin, Chuck Romeo, Mo Holt, Jason Anderson, Samantha Honatke, Billy Kutyllo, Dylan White, Justin Monroe, Joe Doidge, Cody Lipperd, Dustin Pitman, Chad VanBerkum.

Meeting was called to order at 5:33 p.m.

AGENDA: As presented.

OFFICER RECOGNITION: Chief Wittwer recognized **Deputy Chief Jeff Hurley** upon receiving his Bachelor of Science Degree, congratulating him on his example of the pursuit of continuing education.

MINUTES: Trustee MacLeod moved to approve September **9, 2025, minutes** as submitted. Trustee Holt seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

FINANCIAL REPORTS: Trustee MacLeod moved to approve **the financial reports**. Trustee Murray seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

COMMUNICATIONS: The Department received a thank you note for their **response to a cardiac arrest, stating that the crew “converted me to ALIVE!”** High praise was extended by the task force officer to the CVFD crew who deployed to the **Windy Rock Wildland Fire**, stating that they were his “go to” engine, representing the CVFD very well. Thank you notes were received from **Eagle Mount** for the department’s support of the Big Sky Kids Welcome Luncheon as well as Digger Days. And, **Mrs. Cron’s Belgrade 5th Grade Class** sent individual thank you notes for their appreciation for everything that the CVFD firefighters do for their community.

PUBLIC COMMENT: **Jim Martin** of Summer Ridge expressed continued concerns regarding the emergency response to the eastern part of the District and asked if there has been any progress on the staffing of Station 2. He also asked if there were any automatic aid agreements for that area or any EMS volunteers available to respond to that area. He stated that in one case the EMS response

took 75 minutes. Chairman Wilkins asked that, that be investigated.

Chuck Romeo, also of Summer Ridge added his concerns, stating that the residents didn't realize that the consequences of the failure of the mill levy would lead to the closure of Station 2.

Chief Hurley and Chief Wittwer will follow up with responses to these questions.

FIRE CHIEF REPORT:

As submitted. **Chief Jay Wittwer** reviewed his report, stating that the department remains fully staffed. He added that the recently formed Community Outreach Team includes 5 department members as well as two trustees and will be reporting out at a future Board Meeting. Far Out & Waiting Training and ongoing CPR and First Aid Classes are some current community outreach events. Revenue enhancement efforts continue including seeking available grants.

OPERATIONS REPORT:

As submitted. **Deputy Chief Hurley** reported on the incident responses for last month and pointed out the lack of clean data for certain areas due to calls at the airport. CVFD has participated in seven wildland deployments and Financial Manager Honatke extra efforts to process billing for those is appreciated. Captain Anderson is following up on grant opportunities to enhance the Wildland program.

The EMS Program is being built with several contracts in process. DC Hurley stated that several options are being pursued to open Station 2. Mutual aid and auto aid are in place as they have always been. Chief Hurley added that the heavy rescue team did a great job with joint regional training with several departments in the area and participated in large animal rescue training as well.

FIRE PREVENTION REPORT:

As submitted. **Chief Wittwer** added that 25 people participated in the 9/11 Ceremony, including representatives from the local VFW. He reviewed the several activities in the report, noting the upcoming opportunity to paint pumpkins on October 18th and the department's involvement in assisting the Haunted House, put on

by Belgrade High School's Key Club. Chief Wittwer added that an in-vehicle alerting system is being explored to add to the department's apparatus to alert vehicles when a CVFD emergency vehicle is approaching.

LOCAL 4939 REPORT:

None.

TRUSTEE REPORT:

Trustee Blakeman requested that the County Attorney be consulted regarding the ability to collect impact fees from the County and advice on how to pursue that. **Trustee Holt** commented that he and Trustee Blakeman attended the Trustee conference and many departments shared the same issues with mill levies not passing and struggling with funding. **Chairman Wilkins** urged that the District make every effort to find ways to use the website to communicate more effectively with residents. One current issue is finding the best way to get information to the community. He, with Trustee Blakeman, also suggested that the Board form a two-person advisory working group to look for funding options. The trustees would also like to host an annual event for the department and will host the Christmas Party this year.

CITY LIAISON REPORT:

City Manager Cardwell reported that he participated in the EMS Board Meeting. The City Council has scheduled a public hearing to review their fire prevention code ordinance from 1983. A new Parks and Recreation Director, Jordan Green, has been hired from Deer Lodge. Whitney Bermes has been hired from Gallatin County, as the new Communication's Manager. Well #8 is online, delivering 1200 gallons per minute and well number 9 should be online the first of next year, adding another 1200 gallons per minute. Mayor elect, Mike Meis has been selected to be the vice president of the League of Cities and Towns. The City is prohibiting parking along Cruiser between Westwood and Bolinger. Future City of Belgrade building plans include converting Heck School into the new location for the Belgrade Justice Center and Quaw School will become City Hall.

Trustee MacLeod moved to accept **the reports** as submitted. Trustee Murray seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

ORDER OF BUSINESS:

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Community Risk Assessment and Standard of Cover Process

Chief Wittwer explained that this proceeded out of the Strategic Planning Process and this process will begin November 18th through the 20th with a visit from a Center for Public Safety Excellence representative to review emergency responses in depth. More information on the results of the report will be presented to the board as more information is available.

ACTION ITEMS:

EMS Division Chief Position

Chief Wittwer referred to the Questions and Answers document in the board packet and explained that this position was reviewed last month, and the decision was postponed to this meeting. Monthly performance reports will be presented to the board for this EMS Program for at least the first 12 months to ensure that this is providing the additional revenue and services expected to benefit the District and its residents. Trustee Holt would like quarterly reports on some of the other funding enhancements.

Trustee MacLeod moved to **approve hiring for the position of EMS Division Chief and to move forward with the EMS Division for Central Valley Fire District.** Trustee Holt seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Consideration and Approval of Resolution 252605 to Adopt the Partner Jurisdiction Report Out Policy

Chief Wittwer is pleased that the Board of Trustees is looking into ways of taking action to implement the goals of the Strategic Plan. **Trustee Blakeman** explained that the members of the community and partner jurisdictions who participated in forming the Strategic Plan requested more opportunities to dialogue with the District

and this resolution speaks to that. Chairman Wilkins further explained that the opportunity for these reports will be provided at the quarterly meetings and that the City of Belgrade will be one of those quarterly reports along with the other jurisdictions. During these quarterly meetings, time would be prioritized for these report outs.

City Manager Cardwell explained that the City of Belgrade was intended to have a voting seat on the Board once they were annexed, which did not pan out. He added that the reason that the City Manager is now representing the City to the Board in lieu of a council member is that council members are not able to speak for the organization on an issue without a vote from the entire body. The City Manager is at the table to ensure that there is someone who can commit the City to something or to provide a direct answer to the Board. He added that it is unlikely that a Council Member would participate in reporting to the Board on a quarterly basis.

After the Resolution was read, City Manager Cardwell stated that there has been a back-and-forth struggle here. He said that per state law the only board that has the authority to remove the City of Belgrade from the Fire District is right here and if this policy is adopted it will be received as an indication that the District wants to remove the City from Central Valley Fire District. Trustee Blakeman explained that the Board needs to make sure that all of the District's partners has the same representation as the City.

Chief Wittwer recommended that this resolution be tabled for now.

Trustee Murray moved that **Resolution 252605 be tabled until next month.** Trustee MacLeod seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The next regular meeting of the Central Valley Fire District Board of Trustees is scheduled for **November 18th, since November 11th is Veteran's Day.**

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 6:58 p.m.

Darren Wilkins, Chairman

Mark MacLeod, Secretary/Treasurer

ATTEST: _____
Debbie Bloem, Clerk

5:03 PM

10/30/25

Central Valley Fire
Reconciliation Summary
1100 · CVFD Checking, Period Ending 09/30/2025

| | | <u>Sep 30, 25</u> |
|---|--|----------------------------|
| 1 | Beginning Balance | 2,159,174.19 |
| | Cleared Transactions | |
| | Checks and Payments - 179 items | -896,048.39 |
| | Deposits and Credits - 79 items | 1,406,357.98 |
| | Total Cleared Transactions | <u>510,309.59</u> |
| 2 | Cleared Balance | <u><u>2,669,483.78</u></u> |
| | Uncleared Transactions | |
| | Checks and Payments - 18 items | -134,759.46 |
| | Deposits and Credits - 1 item | 339.00 |
| | Total Uncleared Transactions | <u>-134,420.46</u> |
| 3 | Register Balance as of 09/30/2025 | <u><u>2,535,063.32</u></u> |
| | New Transactions | |
| | Checks and Payments - 242 items | -1,389,747.63 |
| | Deposits and Credits - 64 items | 182,238.62 |
| | Total New Transactions | <u>-1,207,509.01</u> |
| 4 | Ending Balance | <u><u>1,327,554.31</u></u> |

Verified by: Date:
Wittwer
Bloem
Honatke: smh 11/10/25

- 1) Beginning Balance: This is the beginning checking account balance according to the County on 9/1/2025.
- 2) Cleared Balance: This is the ending checking account balance according to the County on 9/30/2025.
- 3) Register Balance: This is the ending checking account balance according to QuickBooks on 9/30/2025. This should match the total checking account balance on the Expenditure Detail Report.
- 4) Ending Balance: This is the ending checking account balance according to QuickBooks at the date the reconciliation was performed on 10/30/2025.

Central Valley Fire Expenditure Detail Report

| Accrual Basis | | | | Oct 2025 |
|-------------------|----------------------|--------------|---|------------|
| VERIFIED BY: | DATE: | Check Number | Vendor | Amount |
| | | 2134311 | Allegiance Benefit Plan Management (HRA Mgmt) | 252.00 |
| <u>Wittwer</u> | | 2134312 | Balco Uniform Co., Inc. | 13.80 |
| <u>Bloem</u> | | 2134313 | Belgrade Auto Parts, Inc. | 6,587.17 |
| <u>Honatke</u> | <u>SMH 11/4/2025</u> | 2134314 | Big Sky Fire Equip (Apparatus Maint/Fleet Billable) | 2,303.75 |
| | | 2134315 | BMB Emergency Medicine, LLC (Medical Officer) | 1,000.00 |
| Prior Month | | 2134316 | Bozeman Chronicle | 33.00 |
| Ending Check # | 2134310 | 2134317 | Bridger Drilling, Inc. (Fleet Shop) | 11,150.00 |
| | | 2134318 | Consolidated Electrical Distributors (St. 3 SBCA) | 38.78 |
| Beginning Check # | 2134311 | 2134319 | Department of Justice (Background Check) | 60.00 |
| Ending Check # | 2134387 | 2134320 | Door Tech (St. 1 Repair) | 1,755.10 |
| | | 2134321 | Fisher's Technology (Copier Maint Plan) | 160.56 |
| Voided Checks | | 2134322 | Four Corners County W & S District | 311.14 |
| 2134383 | | 2134323 | General Distributing Company (Medical Supplies) | 80.13 |
| | | 2134324 | Global Net (Internet) | 397.00 |
| | | 2134325 | Interwest Tire Factory (Apparatus Maint) | 2,945.00 |
| | | 2134326 | Kent D. Bruce Company, LLC (Apparatus Maint) | 192.77 |
| | | 2134327 | Kenyon Noble Lumber Co | 469.77 |
| | | 2134328 | Knox Company (Two Year License) | 5,498.00 |
| | | 2134329 | Montana Fiberglass, Inc. (Shop Project) | 17,434.00 |
| | | 2134330 | Montana Linen | 223.40 |
| | | 2134331 | Montana Oil Supply, Inc. | 48.75 |
| | | 2134332 | MSC Industrial Supply Co. (Shop Supplies) | 168.78 |
| | | 2134333 | NAPA Auto Parts | 120.87 |
| | | 2134334 | NRS (Water Rescue Equipment) | 1,467.22 |
| | | 2134335 | Pacific Steel & Recycling, Inc. (Apparatus Maint) | 860.48 |
| | | 2134336 | Paladin Background Screening (Hiring) | 67.00 |
| | | 2134337 | Peak CMS, LLC (Telephone System) | 148.45 |
| | | 2134338 | Pintler Billing Services (EMS Billing) | 6,958.25 |
| | | 2134339 | Sea-Western, Inc. (Nozzles & PPE) | 4,663.26 |
| | | 2134340 | Security Solutions Inc (St. 3 Monitoring) | 105.00 |
| | | 2134341 | Montana State Firemens Association (Life Ins) | 3,052.82 |
| | | 2134342 | Allegiance Benefit Plan Mgmt (HRA Funding) | 30,800.00 |
| | | 2134343 | AirNote, LLC (IT Consultant) | 2,500.00 |
| | | 2134344 | Allegiance COBRA Services, Inc. | 40.00 |
| | | 2134345 | American Welding & Gas (Medical Supplies) | 462.55 |
| | | 2134346 | Balco Uniform Co., Inc. | 497.00 |
| | | 2134347 | Blackfoot Communications (St. 1 Internet) | 750.00 |
| | | 2134348 | Blanton Contracting, LLC (Shop Project) | 436,630.60 |
| | | 2134349 | Churchill Equipment (St. 3 Repair) | 196.00 |
| | | 2134350 | Gallatin County Fire Council (Membership) | 750.00 |
| | | 2134351 | Hyalite Engineers, PLLC (Shop Project) | 18,835.50 |
| | | 2134352 | Interwest Tire Factory (Apparatus Maint) | 29.13 |
| | | 2134353 | Kiwanis Club of Belgrade (Membership) | 177.00 |
| | | 2134354 | Life-Assist, Inc. (Medical Supplies) | 5,127.97 |

Central Valley Fire Expenditure Detail Report

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|--------------|--|-------------------|
| 2134355 | MSU Fire Services Training School (FF1/Hazmat) | 190.00 |
| 2134356 | NRS (Water Rescue Equipment) | 1,754.16 |
| 2134357 | Precision Lawn and Landscape | 2,691.57 |
| 2134358 | Rocky Mountain Supply, Inc. (Fuel) | 9.27 |
| 2134359 | Stryker Sales Corporation (LifePack) | 48,813.77 |
| 2134360 | U S Bancorp | 29,566.28 |
| 2134361 | WEX Fleet Universal | 5,413.02 |
| 2134362 | Belgrade Ace Hardware, Inc. | 344.44 |
| 2134363 | MSU Extension Local Gov. Center (Board Training) | 1,014.70 |
| 2134364 | Allegiance Benefit Plan Management (HRA Mgmt) | 252.00 |
| 2134365 | Balco Uniform Co., Inc. | 162.00 |
| 2134366 | Carol Staben-Burroughs, MS, LCPC (Health) | 75.00 |
| 2134367 | ECOLAB Pest Elim Div. | 111.41 |
| 2134368 | Egbert Plumbing, Inc. (St. 4 Remodel) | 2,138.47 |
| 2134369 | Emerald Services (Oil) | 301.75 |
| 2134370 | Fisher's Technology (Copier Maint Plan) | 69.10 |
| 2134371 | Four Corners County W & S District | 307.14 |
| 2134372 | Ghost Town Coffee Roasters, Inc. | 127.01 |
| 2134373 | Hughes Fire Equipment, Inc. (Fleet Billable) | 1,726.39 |
| 2134374 | Kenyon Noble Lumber Co | 608.65 |
| 2134375 | L&L Site Services, Inc. | 918.00 |
| 2134376 | LN Curtis (Heavy Rescue Equip. & Annual Maint) | 24,199.65 |
| 2134377 | Montana Occupational Health (Physicals) | 1,488.00 |
| 2134378 | Montana Oil Supply, Inc. | 699.00 |
| 2134379 | MSC Industrial Supply Co. (Shop Supplies) | 585.24 |
| 2134380 | NorthWestern Energy, Inc. | 4,401.51 |
| 2134381 | Quill Corporation (Office Supplies) | 121.85 |
| 2134382 | Simkins Lumber | 116.48 |
| 2134384 | T-Mobile (Cell Phone Service) | 1,252.61 |
| 2134385 | TS Spraying and Snow Removal, LLC | 300.00 |
| 2134386 | WFCA Daily Dispatch (Hiring - EMS Chief) | 575.00 |
| 2134387 | Stryker Sales Corporation (EMS Supplies) | 132.60 |
| ACH | Yung, B. (Pumpkin Payment Reimb) | 788.00 |
| ACH | Yung, D. (Paramedic School Exp Reimb) | 1,443.95 |
| ACH | Sherrer B. (Paramedic School Exp Reimb) | 235.39 |
| ACH | Navitas (Phone System) | 372.95 |
| ACH | MT Dept of Revenue (Gross Receipts Tax) | 4,410.41 |
| ACH | Van Berkum (Car Seat Tech Certification) | 55.00 |
| Total | | 703,133.77 |

Central Valley Fire Expenditure Detail Report

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|------------|--|------------------------|
| 10/3/25 | Disbursed to Employees | 134,446.20 |
| | IRS | 25,804.34 |
| | St of MT | 7,709.00 |
| | MPERA | 2,951.06 |
| | FURS | 40,430.05 |
| | Mission Square | 12,929.83 |
| | Union | 2,677.92 |
| | AFLAC | 3,079.06 |
| | | <u>230,027.46</u> |
| | | |
| 10/17/2025 | Disbursed to Employees | 135,209.94 |
| | IRS | 25,600.98 |
| | St of MT | 7,743.00 |
| | MPERA | 3,166.14 |
| | FURS | 40,740.13 |
| | Mission Square | 13,105.56 |
| | | <u>225,565.75</u> |
| | | |
| 10/31/2025 | Disbursed to Employees | 133,784.85 |
| | IRS | 25,295.42 |
| | St of MT | 7,636.00 |
| | MPERA | 3,030.38 |
| | FURS | 40,360.60 |
| | Mission Square | 12,986.40 |
| | Unemployment Insurance | 3,394.34 |
| | Volunteer FY25 Reimb. | 6,400.00 |
| | Cigna | 92,832.96 |
| | | <u>325,720.95</u> |
| | | |
| | Operating Funds Account Balance 8/31/25* | \$ 2,224,884.70 |
| | Sept. Revenue Deposited w/ Co. Treasurer | \$ 1,325,369.98 |
| | Sept. Expenditures | \$ 1,015,191.36 |
| 3 | Operating Funds Account Balance 9/30/25 | <u>\$ 2,535,063.32</u> |

Approved for Payment

Darren Wilkins, Chairman

Date

*The beginning balance is off \$2,084.34 from the prior report. \$339 of this is due to a year-end fund adjustment and \$(2,423.34) is due to the removal of a duplicate EMS deposit.

Central Valley Fire
Payroll Summary
 October 2025

| | Oct 25 |
|---|-------------------|
| Employee Wages, Taxes and Adjustments | |
| Gross Pay | |
| Base Wage | 433,303.07 |
| Holiday Pay (2) | 2,845.78 |
| Kelly Time | 30,663.61 |
| Sick Leave | 13,621.67 |
| Vacation Leave | 38,148.23 |
| Acting Additional Pay | 255.25 |
| Acting Captain | 559.20 |
| Acting Engineer | 2,680.32 |
| Acting FLSA OT | 124.40 |
| Additional Preceptor | 63.36 |
| Additional Time | 41,370.04 |
| ALS Preceptor | 1,731.84 |
| BC Acting Pay | 1,285.92 |
| BLS Preceptor | 56.16 |
| Hourly - Wildland | 6,048.00 |
| Hourly Overtime | 3,304.22 |
| Longevity Pay | 5,425.92 |
| OT - FLSA | 3,696.24 |
| Preceptor OT | 84.26 |
| Total Gross Pay | 585,267.49 |
| Deductions from Gross Pay | |
| 457(b) | -17,831.79 |
| AFLAC | -3,490.71 |
| FURS Employee | -51,890.68 |
| MPERA Employee | -4,258.46 |
| Roth 457b Plan Emp. | -3,658.97 |
| Total Deductions from Gross Pay | -81,130.61 |
| Adjusted Gross Pay | 504,136.88 |
| Taxes Withheld | |
| Federal Withholding | -59,728.00 |
| Medicare Employee | -8,486.37 |
| MT - Withholding | -23,088.00 |
| Total Taxes Withheld | -91,302.37 |
| Deductions from Net Pay | |
| AFLAC.1 | -1,127.88 |
| MSFA Employee | -4,535.68 |
| Union Dues | -3,538.68 |
| UnionBenevolence | -191.28 |
| Total Deductions from Net Pay | -9,393.52 |
| Net Pay | 403,440.99 |
| Employer Taxes and Contributions | |
| Medicare Company | 8,486.37 |
| 457(b) Company | 17,531.03 |
| FURS Employer | 69,640.10 |
| MPERA Employer | 4,889.12 |
| Unemployment - St of MT | 1,463.20 |
| Total Employer Taxes and Contributions | 102,009.82 |

Central Valley Fire Budget vs. Actual July through October 2025

| | Amount Utilized Jul - Oct 25 | Budget | \$ Over Budget | % of Budget Utilized |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|-------------------------|
| Operating Income/Expense | | | | |
| Income | | | | |
| 4000 · INCOME | | | | |
| Tax Income (through 9/30/25) | | | | |
| 4600 · 20.30 Mills Base Levy | 82,016.39 | 3,874,567.00 | -3,792,550.61 | 2.1% |
| 4601 · 10.000 Mills Voted Levy | 40,402.95 | 1,908,127.00 | -1,867,724.05 | 2.1% |
| 4602 · 4.56 Mills Group Benefits | 19,467.24 | 919,229.00 | -899,761.76 | 2.1% |
| Total Tax Income | 141,886.58 | 6,701,923.00 | -6,560,036.42 | 2.1% |
| Non-Tax Income | | | | |
| 4203 · EMS Transport | 375,059.99 | 850,000.00 | -474,940.01 | 44.1% |
| 4220 · Burn Permits | 0.00 | 500.00 | -500.00 | 0.0% |
| 4235 · Entitlement Payment | 167,976.18 | 169,556.00 | -1,579.82 | 99.1% |
| 4300 · Investment Interest | 57,660.80 | 157,000.00 | -99,339.20 | 36.7% |
| 4310 · Miscellaneous | 279.57 | 1,500.00 | -1,220.43 | 18.6% |
| 4315 · Penalty and Interest | 7,472.05 | 8,000.00 | -527.95 | 93.4% |
| 4320 · Deployment/Standby Fees | 352,063.01 | 250,000.00 | 102,063.01 | 140.8% |
| 4325 · Subd. Review/ Inspection Fees | 4,015.00 | 5,000.00 | -985.00 | 80.3% |
| 4326 · Impact Fees | 586.00 | 100.00 | 486.00 | 586.0% |
| 4328 · CPR Training | 0.00 | 2,500.00 | -2,500.00 | 0.0% |
| 4329 · Fleet Services | 48,201.99 | 100,000.00 | -51,798.01 | 48.2% |
| 4400 · Sale of Assets | 37.00 | 2,500.00 | -2,463.00 | 1.5% |
| 4012 · Donations | 1,000.00 | 500.00 | 500.00 | 200.0% |
| 4500 · Grants | 0.00 | 100.00 | -100.00 | 0.0% |
| Total Non-Tax Income | 1,014,351.59 | 1,547,256.00 | -532,904.41 | 65.6% |
| Total 4000 · INCOME | 1,156,238.17 | 8,249,179.00 | -7,092,940.83 | 14.0% |
| Total Income | 1,156,238.17 | 8,249,179.00 | -7,092,940.83 | 14.0% |
| Gross Profit | 1,156,238.17 | 8,249,179.00 | -7,092,940.83 | 14.0% |
| Expense | | | | |
| 5200 · PERSONNEL | | | | |
| 5210 · PAID STAFF | | | | |
| 5211 · Payroll Expenses | | | | |
| 5213 · FURS/PERS/457b | 272,858.11 | 766,467.00 | -493,608.89 | 35.6% |
| 5214 · Health Insurance | 394,600.59 | 1,403,390.00 | -1,008,789.41 | 28.1% |
| 5215 · HRA disbursements to employees | 18,516.94 | 128,800.00 | -110,283.06 | 14.4% |
| 5216 · Medicare | 28,173.51 | 77,359.00 | -49,185.49 | 36.4% |
| 5218 · MT St Unemployment Insurance | 4,857.54 | 13,338.00 | -8,480.46 | 36.4% |
| 5231 · Career Workers Comp | 0.00 | 290,000.00 | -290,000.00 | 0.0% |
| Total 5211 · Payroll Expenses | 719,006.69 | 2,679,354.00 | -1,960,347.31 | 26.8% |
| 5220 · Salary & Wages | 1,577,486.30 | 4,567,169.00 | -2,989,682.70 | 34.5% |
| 5224 · Longevity Pay | 16,242.76 | 48,651.00 | -32,408.24 | 33.4% |
| 5229 · Acting Pay | 13,810.75 | 44,285.00 | -30,474.25 | 31.2% |

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| 5225 · Overtime | 333,911.72 | 675,000.00 | -341,088.28 | 49.5% |
| 5233 · Recruitment & Retention | 0.00 | 5,000.00 | -5,000.00 | 0.0% |
| 5235 · HIRING EXPENSES | 702.00 | 10,000.00 | -9,298.00 | 7.0% |
| Total 5210 · PAID STAFF | 2,661,160.22 | 8,029,459.00 | -5,368,298.78 | 33.1% |
| 5250 · VOLUNTEER STAFF | | | | |
| 5251 · Volunteer Reimbursements | 0.00 | 7,000.00 | -7,000.00 | 0.0% |
| 5252 · Volunteer Staffing Retirement | 0.00 | 40,000.00 | -40,000.00 | 0.0% |
| 5253 · Volunteer Shift Meals | 1,245.00 | 4,000.00 | -2,755.00 | 31.1% |
| Total 5250 · VOLUNTEER STAFF | 1,245.00 | 51,000.00 | -49,755.00 | 2.4% |
| 5270 · HEALTH & WELLNESS/OSHA | | | | |
| 5271 · Fitness | 450.00 | 3,500.00 | -3,050.00 | 12.9% |
| 5272 · Physicals | -1,613.00 | 20,000.00 | -21,613.00 | -8.1% |
| 5273 · Health & Safety | 8,623.40 | 13,791.00 | -5,167.60 | 62.5% |
| Total 5270 · HEALTH & WELLNESS/OSHA | 7,460.40 | 37,291.00 | -29,830.60 | 20.0% |
| Total 5200 · PERSONNEL | 2,669,865.62 | 8,117,750.00 | -5,447,884.38 | 32.9% |
| 5300 · OPERATIONS | | | | |
| 5301 · Customer Credit Card Usage Fee | 904.24 | 3,500.00 | -2,595.76 | 25.8% |
| 5310 · ELECTIONS | 0.00 | 30,000.00 | -30,000.00 | 0.0% |
| 5320 · INSURANCE | 59,601.00 | 67,800.00 | -8,199.00 | 87.9% |
| 5400 · APPARATUS | | | | |
| 5411 · Fuel & Oil | 26,557.88 | 80,000.00 | -53,442.12 | 33.2% |
| 5412 · Fleet Services - Billable | 19,180.29 | 33,000.00 | -13,819.71 | 58.1% |
| 5420 · Apparatus R & M | 36,376.62 | 105,000.00 | -68,623.38 | 34.6% |
| 5460 · Apparatus R & M Labor | 9.87 | 3,000.00 | -2,990.13 | 0.3% |
| 5455 · Equipment Annual Testing | 3,809.83 | 25,000.00 | -21,190.17 | 15.2% |
| 5456 · Equipment R & M | 8,211.04 | 13,600.00 | -5,388.96 | 60.4% |
| 5457 · Shop Tools | 2,219.68 | 5,000.00 | -2,780.32 | 44.4% |
| Total 5400 · APPARATUS | 96,365.21 | 264,600.00 | -168,234.79 | 36.4% |
| 5500 · FACILITIES R & M | | | | |
| 5510 · Buildings & Grounds | 20,303.31 | 91,000.00 | -70,696.69 | 22.3% |
| 5520 · Communication | | | | |
| 5521 · Cell Phone Service | 5,215.28 | 16,200.00 | -10,984.72 | 32.2% |
| 5522 · Equipment | 0.00 | 100.00 | -100.00 | 0.0% |
| 5525 · Telephone Lines | 2,085.60 | 6,300.00 | -4,214.40 | 33.1% |
| 5526 · Internet/Cable | 5,468.47 | 17,000.00 | -11,531.53 | 32.2% |
| Total 5520 · Communication | 12,769.35 | 39,600.00 | -26,830.65 | 32.2% |
| 5530 · Leases | 7,434.36 | 30,781.00 | -23,346.64 | 24.2% |
| 5541 · Electricity/Natural Gas/Propane | 17,925.64 | 82,500.00 | -64,574.36 | 21.7% |
| 5542 · Garbage/Water/Sewer | 4,781.16 | 15,500.00 | -10,718.84 | 30.8% |
| Total 5500 · FACILITIES R & M | 63,213.82 | 259,381.00 | -196,167.18 | 24.4% |

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| 5600 · PROFESSIONAL SERVICES | | | | |
| 5601 · Attorney | 200.00 | 12,000.00 | -11,800.00 | 1.7% |
| 5603 · Auditor | 0.00 | 25,000.00 | -25,000.00 | 0.0% |
| 5605 · Business Subscript/Memberships | 1,817.00 | 7,500.00 | -5,683.00 | 24.2% |
| 5606 · Billing Services Med. Transport | 32,181.90 | 68,000.00 | -35,818.10 | 47.3% |
| 5609 · HR Consultant | 0.00 | 10,000.00 | -10,000.00 | 0.0% |
| 5611 · IT Consultant | 10,000.00 | 30,000.00 | -20,000.00 | 33.3% |
| 5613 · Medical Control Officer | 4,000.00 | 12,000.00 | -8,000.00 | 33.3% |
| 5616 · Accreditation | 7,864.00 | 53,800.00 | -45,936.00 | 14.6% |
| 5614 · Other Professional Consultants | 8,190.00 | 100,350.00 | -92,160.00 | 8.2% |
| Total 5600 · PROFESSIONAL SERVICES | 64,252.90 | 318,650.00 | -254,397.10 | 20.2% |
| 5630 · PUBLIC OUTREACH | | | | |
| 5631 · Advert/Notices/Public Rel. | 869.98 | 5,000.00 | -4,130.02 | 17.4% |
| 5632 · Meetings | 2,700.14 | 5,500.00 | -2,799.86 | 49.1% |
| 5633 · Fire Prevention/Education | 3,278.70 | 15,000.00 | -11,721.30 | 21.9% |
| 5635 · Awards, Ceremonies, Gifts | 0.00 | 12,000.00 | -12,000.00 | 0.0% |
| Total 5630 · PUBLIC OUTREACH | 6,848.82 | 37,500.00 | -30,651.18 | 18.3% |
| 5650 · SUPPLIES | | | | |
| 5651 · IT Supplies | 18,148.04 | 95,000.00 | -76,851.96 | 19.1% |
| 5652 · Medical Supplies | 14,833.58 | 82,000.00 | -67,166.42 | 18.1% |
| 5653 · Office Supplies | 2,195.63 | 10,000.00 | -7,804.37 | 22.0% |
| 5654 · Operating Supplies(consumables) | 3,610.37 | 25,500.00 | -21,889.63 | 14.2% |
| 5656 · PPE consumables | 6,965.67 | 15,000.00 | -8,034.33 | 46.4% |
| 5659 · Uniforms | 18,301.35 | 45,000.00 | -26,698.65 | 40.7% |
| 5660 · Hazmat Supplies | 49.38 | 5,500.00 | -5,450.62 | 0.9% |
| 5661 · Deployment expenses to be reimb | 43,551.31 | 0.00 | 43,551.31 | 100.0% |
| Total 5650 · SUPPLIES | 107,655.33 | 278,000.00 | -170,344.67 | 38.7% |
| 5670 · TRAINING/EDUCATION | | | | |
| 5671 · Education - Out of District | 0.00 | 32,550.00 | -32,550.00 | 0.0% |
| 5672 · Employee Education Reimbmnt | 0.00 | 16,000.00 | -16,000.00 | 0.0% |
| 5673 · Supplies | 99.99 | 13,125.00 | -13,025.01 | 0.8% |
| 5674 · Training - In District | 5,111.13 | 39,375.00 | -34,263.87 | 13.0% |
| 5675 · Training - Administration | 3,115.98 | 14,000.00 | -10,884.02 | 22.3% |
| 5677 · GVFA | 230.00 | 13,000.00 | -12,770.00 | 1.8% |
| 5678 · Paramedic Assistance Program | 17,434.65 | 120,575.00 | -103,140.35 | 14.5% |
| Total 5670 · TRAINING/EDUCATION | 25,991.75 | 248,625.00 | -222,633.25 | 10.5% |
| 5700 · NON-CAPITAL EQUIPMENT | | | | |
| 5701 · Fire Hose | 0.00 | 10,000.00 | -10,000.00 | 0.0% |
| 5702 · IT/Communications | 0.00 | 17,500.00 | -17,500.00 | 0.0% |
| 5704 · SCBA | 1,650.33 | 3,175.00 | -1,524.67 | 52.0% |
| 5705 · Tools & Equipment | 1,192.70 | 16,000.00 | -14,807.30 | 7.5% |

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| 5706 · EMS Equipment | | | | |
| 5706.1 · EMS Annual Maintenance Contract | 30,350.00 | 30,350.00 | 0.00 | 100.0% |
| 5706.2 · EMS R & M parts and accessories | 6,594.78 | 26,650.00 | -20,055.22 | 24.7% |
| Total 5706 · EMS Equipment | 36,944.78 | 57,000.00 | -20,055.22 | 64.8% |
| 5707 · Wildland Tools & Equipment | 2,463.22 | 12,000.00 | -9,536.78 | 20.5% |
| Total 5700 · NON-CAPITAL EQUIPMENT | 42,251.03 | 115,675.00 | -73,423.97 | 36.5% |
| 9998 · Uncoded Vendor Invoices/CCD | 4,819.85 | 0.00 | 4,819.85 | 100.0% |
| Total 5300 · OPERATIONS | 471,903.95 | 1,623,731.00 | -1,151,827.05 | 29.1% |
| Total Expense | 3,141,769.57 | 9,741,481.00 | -6,599,711.43 | 32.3% |
| Net Operating Income | -1,985,531.40 | -1,492,302.00 | -493,229.40 | 133.1% |
| Reserve Income/Expense | | | | |
| Reserve Income (through 9/30/25) | | | | |
| 4603 · 14 Mills Voted Levy | 56,556.19 | 2,671,053.00 | -2,614,496.81 | 2.1% |
| Total Reserve Income (through 9/30/25) | 56,556.19 | 2,671,053.00 | -2,614,496.81 | 2.1% |
| Reserve Expense | | | | |
| 5000 · CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT | | | | |
| 5120 · CAPITAL RESERVE | | | | |
| 5121 · Apparatus | 148,463.39 | 1,552,500.00 | -1,404,036.61 | 9.6% |
| 5122 · Facilities | 726,577.33 | 572,875.00 | 153,702.33 | 126.8% |
| 5123 · Equipment | 175,744.21 | 280,003.00 | -104,258.79 | 62.8% |
| Total 5120 · CAPITAL RESERVE | 1,050,784.93 | 2,405,378.00 | -1,354,593.07 | 43.7% |
| Total 5000 · CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT | 1,050,784.93 | 2,405,378.00 | -1,354,593.07 | 43.7% |
| 5100 · LOANS | | | | |
| 5110 · Stockman Bank | 424,304.77 | 424,305.00 | -0.23 | 100.0% |
| Total 5100 · LOANS | 424,304.77 | 424,305.00 | -0.23 | 100.0% |
| Total Reserve Expense | 1,475,089.70 | 2,829,683.00 | -1,354,593.30 | 52.1% |
| Net Reserve Income | -1,418,533.51 | -158,630.00 | -1,259,903.51 | 894.2% |
| Net Income | -3,404,064.91 | -1,650,932.00 | -1,753,132.91 | 206.2% |

Reserve Balance as of 9/30/25

| | |
|-----------------------|------------------------|
| Apparatus Reserve | \$ 1,011,118.99 |
| Facility Reserves | \$ 1,803,288.41 |
| Equipment Reserves | \$ 5,033.39 |
| Undesignated Reserves | \$ 703,047.48 |
| Total | \$ 3,522,488.27 |

Operating Cash Balance as of 10/31/25 \$ 2,166,804.79



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11/4/2025

Dear Firefighters,

We so appreciate using your conference room for our Belgrade Bloomers Garden Club monthly meetings.

Please use this donation for something special for all.

Lorraine Conn
Treasurer
Belgrade Bloomers Garden Club



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Belgrade Bloomers Garden
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REESE CREEK
— COMMUNITY CENTER —

Dear CVFD,

Thank you for donating a "Dinner for 4" to our annual fundraiser.

We are so appreciative of your support and consideration of our community center.

Thanks for being a good neighbor.

Sincerely,

Brady Portman, VP
RCCC Board of Directors

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Sincerely,
Brady Portman
VP, RCCC Board of Directors

11/12/2025

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Kris Menicucci

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Kris Menicucci

CurrentSM

Thank You





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NEW

The EMT team has responded quickly and professionally to our recent 911 calls. My husband and I feel safer knowing that we can rely on their prompt response time and expertise. THANK YOU for your exceptional service!



Central Valley Fire District Station 1

Owner

Just now

Thank you for the opportunity to allow us to support you! Please don't hesitate to reach out if we can help out in the future.



CENTRAL VALLEY FIRE DISTRICT

215 Wings Way Belgrade, MT 59714
Phone: 406-388-4480 Fax: 406-388-6270

To: CVFD Board of Trustees

From: Jay C Wittwer, Fire Chief

Date: November 18, 2025

RE: October 2025 – Fire Chief’s Report

Hiring and Employee Updates

- a. Montana Firefighter Testing Consortium CPAT testing will take place on December 8-11. CVFD is part of this program; three members will attend. Fire Chief will meet and greet candidates.
- b. Operations, Administration, Fire Prevention and Fleet Services remain fully staffed with no indications of vacancies in 2026.

Other Updates

Community Involvement & Education

- a. On going CPR and First Aid Classes continue to be held at CVFD and the Belgrade Library. Also, deliveries of same programs to outside agencies.
- b. The first Montana’s Farmers Union - “Far Out & Waiting” medical training took place at Reese Creek Community Center. Nov 12th there were 22 community members that joined this community first aid training.
- c. COT (Community Outreach Team). Bimonthly meetings have produced; a possible new vendor for our CVFD Website. More info to follow regarding the new website “look”. Many ideas shared concerning more outreach possibilities for this winter.

Revenue Enhancement Process

Our Fire Administration Team continues to explore options regarding revenue enhancements for the agency. The EMS Division hiring processes have moved forward in October.

Fleet Services continue to bring in new users of their services. AMR Ambulance has signed an agreement to use our fleet services. This will enhance the in-service time for their ambulances.



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To: CVFD Board of Trustees
From: Jeff Hurley, Deputy Fire Chief
Date: November 13, 2025
RE: October 2025 Operations Report

Incident Response

- **Total Incidents:** 228
 - 9% decrease from September
 - **Overlapping Calls:** 71 incidents (32% of total)
 - **Mutual Aid Calls:** 8 incidents
-

Wildland Deployments

- N/A
-

EMS Division

- 9 personnel were hired, 5 EMT's and 4 Paramedics start Nov 17th (orientation)
- EMS Chief: 19 applicants, 8 moving on to phase 2
- Progressing nicely with the SAMSHA grants.
- Beginning phases for Community based Paramedics.

Community paramedicine is a healthcare model where paramedics perform roles beyond traditional emergency response to provide primary, preventive, and post-acute care in a community setting. This model extends the role of paramedics to assist underserved populations with chronic disease management, hospital discharge follow-up, and connecting patients with social services, aiming to improve health outcomes and reduce healthcare costs. Ideal for rural healthcare

Specialty Teams:

- Water Rescue Team:
 - It is up and running.
 - Conducting joint regional training
- Heavy Rescue (Rescue 5):
 - Large Animal Rescue team is up and running. Partnered with local Veterinary doctors
 - Regional training with several jurisdictions, looking to add satellite resources
 - Working on confined space training with Bozeman Fire
- Wildland Team:
 - New team of 15 members from our full-time staff
 - Attending regional meetings
 - Final stages of application period for our seasonal firefighters
 - Wildland Officer is working on grant applications.
- Training Division:
 - Live fire training: Regional partners participating
 - Regional search class for volunteer organizations
 - FF I certification testing for our probationary FF
 - Two different certification classes (FO III, Instructor I)



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To: Central Valley Fire District Board of Trustees
From: Jay C Wittwer, Fire Chief
Date: November 12, 2025
RE: November 18, 2025, City of Belgrade report to the Board of Trustees Meeting

Members of the Board:

These questions were presented to the Belgrade City Representative, City Manager Neil Cardwell, to report on during the November 18, 2025, Board Meeting.

1. Current status on water supply issues that the city faces. Include amount of water storage planned, updates on water sources and timetable regarding the upgrades.
2. Underpass update for Jackrabbit. Estimated start date, amount of time for completion and funding sources.
3. Any road projects planned that will affect CVFD response units within the City of Belgrade, such as "roundabouts", include locations and timetables.
4. Provide a report on Resolution 25-11 that the City Council approved on Monday, Nov 3.
5. Fire Impact fees. Provide a report on the amount of funds collected by the City over the past five years. What is the current balance of the fund. What funds have been used and for what. Provide a 5-year capital schedule. When does the city plan to fill/staff the Impact Fee Advisory Committee.

Response received from Belgrade City Manager Cardwell 11/12/2025 2:40pm

For reference, here are brief high-level responses to the five items noted and I would be happy to meet with any of the Board 1:1 do discuss further. (JCW – Within this email response, Cardwell stated that he will likely have no other comments for the board meeting.)

1. Water supply

The City does not face water supply issues. As noted previously, we are constructing new wells and adding storage to stay ahead of development. The PER and construction progress updates will be available in the first quarter of 2026. I would also comment I provided this information in my first meeting.

(JCW – Our fire prevention division continues to work closely with public works in Belgrade to assist and understand the water supply system that we rely on to protect this community. I discussed this subject with the Mayor, Russ Nelson at a recent event; he stated that the city is working on increasing the water storage issue by building a 3.3-million-gallon surface tank. He also said that there is an ample supply of water underground currently, and that the city uses large pumps to access that water. All of these efforts support current needs and future growth of the city.)

2. Jackrabbit underpass

This project is fully led by MDT. The schedule, start date, and duration are documented in multiple public locations including BeHeardBelgrade. The project is fully funded, the majority through federal grant funds awarded to Belgrade. I would also comment that I provided this information in my first attended meeting.

(JCW – I'll add here that the meetings I have attended point to a start date of 2028, many factors at the MDT level could change the start date. During the Belgrade Economic Development Summit recently, that I attended, Deputy City Manager Tryon stated that this project on Jackrabbit will start sometime in 2028 and must be completed by 2030, because the funding will expire on that date.)

3. Road projects affecting response routes

Any planned City road work is routinely reported at Council meetings and posted on our website, Facebook page, and BeHeardBelgrade. Those sources reflect the most current and accurate information. I also have covered the high level of this in previous meetings.

(JCW – I will add that any changes to roadways could have an impact on our emergency services to the communities we serve. During the same presentation noted above by Tryon, he was asked questions that caused Tryon to provide a report about planned “roundabouts” in the City of Belgrade; the first one is schedule to be completed in 2026 by the city at Cruiser and Dry Creek Rd. At the same time a traffic signal light will be installed at Jackrabbit and Cruiser. A second roundabout is scheduled to be completed by MDT sometime in 2027 at Main and Broadway, this project will include enhancements to the roadway near the railroad crossing there.)

4. Ordinance 25-11

This was the result of over a year of communication, including a lot with your staff and you and me directly. I would encourage you to explain to your board how this is a result of State Law, the fact that no update ever happened after the 2019/2020 annexation, and the fact that many items existed pre our Charter. You also provided the ordinance to your trustees after my report at the last meeting. As you know, the updates were required due to state law and the need to correct outdated language.

(JCW – We will continue to offer to work in harmony with city administration on any proposed adjustments with governance or application that enhances remaining in harmony with State Law.)

5. Fire impact fees

All revenue, balances, and expenditures are included in the city budget, which is published publicly online each year. The advisory committee will be convened when a rate study is required.

(JCW – We will continue to understand the advisory committee processes, revenue, balances, and expenditures of each of the governing bodies and communities we serve within the boundaries of CVFD. The Fire Trustee Board will be given updates in the future.)

Other subjects regarding the City of Belgrade:

(JCW - During the recent Belgrade Economic Development Summit, Tryon was also asked about the new employees that have been hired within the city. On November 10th a new Communication Director started with the city, her name is Whitney Bermes. She was employed recently with Gallatin County, in a similar position. A second new employee will start soon, Jordon Green. He will be the new Parks Director, replacing Tryon who has been the interim Parks Director. Green is currently the City Manager in Deer Lodge, Montana.)