

Subject **PRR**
From Boundary County Watchman [REDACTED]
To <Publicrecordsrequest@boundarycountyid.org>, Boundary County Watchman [REDACTED]
Date 2026-08-27 09:35 AM



May I have a copy of the audio, Commissioner's packet and any documents presented at the:

- *The Boundary County Board of Commissioners will meet in special session on Tuesday, August 25, 2026 beginning at 5:30 p.m. at the Bonners Ferry High School Auditorium, 6485 Tamarack Ln., Bonners Ferry, Idaho for the purpose of a public hearing regarding the North Bench Volunteer Fire District's petition to become a taxing district. ACTION ITEM.*
- *Any records, emails, letters, notes etc.. **from/to** the Commissioners in regards to NBVFD desire to become a fire district, etc. This should include records from government/private entities and the public. Timeframe: January 1, 2026 to present.*

Please add to a thumbdrive

Per Idaho Code § 74 102(10)(f). As an Idaho resident I am requesting a fee waiver:

- These records will contribute significantly to the public's understanding of government operations or activities
- The request is not primarily in my individual interest and is not an interest in litigation
- I lack sufficient financial resources to pay

Adrienne Norris
[REDACTED]

*Facebook: Boundary County Watchman
*Website: www.BoundaryCountyWatchman.com
*Youtube: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCPaCDff0TalroAFVRA9BTg>

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This email is submitted solely in my individual capacity as a private citizen, taxpayer, and registered voter of Boundary County, Idaho. I am not an attorney, and nothing included in this email constitutes legal advice, legal advocacy, or the practice of law. I am not acting on behalf of or representing any individual, organization or entity. I do not claim to represent the legal rights, interests, or positions of any individual, organization or entity referenced. Any mention of third parties is provided only for contextual or informational purposes, based on publicly available records or sources. All statements are made in good faith, without malice, and without intent to harass, defame, intimidate, retaliate, or interfere with the duties of any individual or office. Any concerns or observations expressed are tentative, opinion based, and offered solely for purposes of public awareness, clarification, discussion, or civic accountability. Nothing included here is intended to influence prosecutorial discretion, judicial outcomes, or official decision making. I claim no authority to direct or control governmental action. Any opinions, observations, or commentary expressed herein are solely my own and are communicated in a personal, individual capacity. Such content is not intended, and shall not be construed, as factual findings, professional guidance, legal advice, or instructions for action now or in the future. Nothing herein shall be construed as a waiver of any rights or an assumption of any obligation or liability. This email constitutes protected civic speech, grievances and a petition for government accountability and transparency under the First Amendment to the United States Constitution and the Constitution of the State of Idaho.



BOUNDARY COUNTY
P. O. Box 419
Bonnerr's Ferry, ID 83805

August 28, 2026

Adrienne Norris



RE: PRR dated August 27, 2026

Dear Ms. Norris

This letter serves as formal acknowledgment of your public records request received by Boundary County on August 27, 2026. Your request seeks information in a variety of formats, many of which involve high-volume data and broad categories of documentation. A copy of your request is included.

Within the two free hours of labor, we have provided the audio recording and various items that were available at the public hearing. The payment required for this is \$10.00 for the thumb drive.

Should you wish to pursue additional records back to January 1, 2026, we have determined that the labor required to identify, locate, retrieve, and review these records for potential exemptions will exceed the initial two free hours provided by law. Under Idaho Code §74-102(10), a public agency may establish fees to recover the actual labor and copying costs associated with responding to a request.

Pursuant to Idaho Code §74-102(10), an agency may require advance payment of the estimated fees. We have coordinated with all departments the following estimate:

Department	Estimated Labor Hours	Hourly Rate	Subtotal
Board of Commissioners	2	21.04	42.08
Legal Review	1	33.40	33.40
ESTIMATE TOTAL			75.48

The initial records are ready for pickup with your \$10.00 payment. Should you wish to have additional records provided, a prepayment of \$75.48 will also be required. Please make checks payable to "Boundary County" at 6452 Kootenai Street, PO Box 419, Bonners Ferry, ID 83805.

If further records are pursued, and upon completion of the request:

- If the actual costs are less than the estimate, the difference will be refunded to you.
- If the actual costs exceed the estimate, the remaining balance must be paid before the final records are released.

Note on Timeline: The statutory period for the agency's response shall remain suspended pending receipt of the required payment. Should we not receive payment or a sufficiently narrowed request within ten (10) business days of the date of this correspondence, the request will be deemed closed.

Per Idaho Code §73-103, your request has been reviewed by our attorneys. Should you feel aggrieved by this decision, you may seek redress in district court within 180 days of this mailing as set forth in Idaho Code §74-115.

Should you wish to narrow the scope of your request to reduce these estimated costs, please contact my office at commissioners@boundarycountyid.org.

Sincerely,



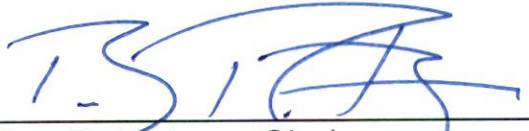
Stephanie Sims, Deputy Clerk
For Glenda Poston
Clerk to the Board of Boundary County Commissioners

Cc: Bill Wilson

PUBLIC NOTICE

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Anyone requiring special accommodation due to disability should contact Boundary County Commissioners' office at (208) 267-7723 at least two working days prior to the meetings.



Ben Robertson, Chairman



Tim Bertling, Commissioner



Lester Pinkerton, Commissioner

AGENDA

All times are tentative unless identified as a specific appointment or public hearing & the Board will address items on the agenda as they are completed, which may either shorten or lengthen the times for which items are addressed on the agenda. Claims Review & Approval, Indigent Matters and Junior College Tuition Forms will be discussed & approved and Resolutions will be adopted as time allows. Commissioners' meetings are held in their chambers, Room 28, in the Boundary County Courthouse, unless otherwise stated. For Commissioners' meetings that are held at the County Annex Conference Room, that address is 6566 Main Street, Bonners Ferry, Idaho.

Monday, August 24, 2026

9:00 a.m.: Squire Fields – update on maintenance projects.

9:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.: County Civil Attorney Bill Wilson – Update on various matters. Motion to sign Certificates of Residency for Tatiana Dewberry and Hanna Franck. Motion to sign Commissioner meeting minutes from week of August 17th. Cancel/extend various taxes. Motion to sign New Private Road Name Request Form for Bonnie Lane. Motion to sign Juvenile Detention Agreement with Bonner County. Motion to sign Utilities Form to retire electric service to Hangar I. Motion to sign Utilities Form for trunk line extension to feed new hangar sites. Motion to sign CASA Contract for Services for FY26-27. Motion to sign Passthrough Funds Recipient Agreement with Idaho Dept of Juvenile Corrections. Motion to sign Resolutions for Destruction of Records from Sheriff's Office. Motion to sign/approve the contract with Wink Inc., for the Boundary County Airport Runway 2/20 Rehabilitation and Extension project. ACTION ITEMS.

1:30 p.m.: Road and Bridge Department report. Solid Waste Department Report. Discussion on frost laws.

2:15 p.m.: Human Resources Report. Executive Session 74-206(a) to consider hiring a public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent, wherein the respective qualities of individuals are to be evaluated in order to fill a particular vacancy or need. This paragraph does not apply to filling a vacancy in an elective office or deliberations about staffing needs in general. Executive Session 74-206(b) to consider the evaluation, dismissal, or disciplining of, or to hear complaints or charges brought against, a public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent, or public-school student. ACTION ITEM.

Tuesday, August 25, 2026 (afternoon meetings located at County Annex)

2:00 p.m.: FILE #26-0133, RURAL SUBDIVISION VIA SHORT PLAT, THE BILLIE & PATRICIA I. POULTON FAMILY TRUST is requesting preliminary plat approval for the replat of Lot 19 of Poulton Pines Subdivision, a rural subdivision via short plat, to divide a 15.72-acre lot into two lots of 7.79 acres and 7.93 acres in the Residential zone. The Residential zone district has varying lot size minimum densities based on community water and sewer services – ¼-acre where both community water and sewer services are available; 1-acre where either community water or sewer service is available; 2½ acres where neither community water nor sewer services is available. The lot is located off Chokecherry Drive and is identified as Assessor's Parcel RP008450000190A in Section 21, Township 62 North, Range 1 East, B.M. ACTION ITEM.

2:30 p.m.: FILE#26-0121, LAND USE TEXT AMENDMENT, BOUNDARY COUNTY has initiated an amendment to the Boundary County Zoning and Subdivision Ordinance 2019-1 to: update Planning and Zoning Commission duties and organization; allow residential placement permits to be transferable to subsequent owners; establish expiration dates for residential placement permits to match the 2-year expiration date of commercial and industrial permits with permits remaining valid as long as work continues on the permitted structure; remove regulation that invalidates an issued commercial/industrial permit if the building's use is discontinued; add extension allowances for placement permits and conditional use permits; remove a requirement that all special purpose districts sign final plats; correct typographical and grammatical errors; correct and update references to rights of appeal, record maintenance, and legal noticing; and remove references to the now-defunct Area of City Impact. The Planning and Zoning Commission unanimously voted to recommend approval to the Board of County Commissioners at their July 23, 2026, public meeting. ACTION ITEM.

(Evening meeting located at the Bonners Ferry High School Auditorium)

5:30 p.m.: Public Hearing regarding North Bench Volunteer Fire District's petition to become a taxing district. ACTION ITEM.

Proposed Annual North Bench Fire Tax at \$62.00 per \$100,000 Assessed Value

Assessed Value	\$62/\$100K	Yearly Property Tax for Fire
\$ 300,000.00	3 x \$62.00	\$ 186.00
\$ 350,000.00	3.5 x \$62.00	\$ 217.00
\$ 400,000.00	4 x \$62.00	\$ 248.00
\$ 450,000.00	4.5 x \$62.00	\$ 279.00
\$ 500,000.00	5 x \$62.00	\$ 310.00
\$ 550,000.00	5.5 x \$62.00	\$ 341.00
\$ 600,000.00	6 x \$62.00	\$ 372.00
\$ 650,000.00	6.5 x \$62.00	\$ 403.00
\$ 700,000.00	7 x \$62.00	\$ 434.00
\$ 750,000.00	7.5 x \$62.00	\$ 465.00
\$ 800,000.00	8 x \$62.00	\$ 496.00
\$ 850,000.00	8.5 x \$62.00	\$ 527.00
\$ 900,000.00	9 x \$62.00	\$ 558.00
\$ 950,000.00	9.5 x \$62.00	\$ 589.00
\$ 1,000,000.00	10 x \$62.00	\$ 620.00
\$ 1,050,000.00	10.5 x \$62.00	\$ 651.00
\$ 1,100,000.00	11 x \$62.00	\$ 682.00
\$ 1,150,000.00	11.5 x \$62.00	\$ 713.00
\$ 1,200,000.00	12 x \$62.00	\$ 744.00

2026 Current Fire Rate-House **\$175.00**

2026 Current Fire Rate-Vacant Land **\$85.00**

Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Year 7	Year 8*
3% Increase	3% Increase	3% Increase	3% Increase	3% Increase	3% Increase	3% Increase
\$ 191.58	\$ 197.33	\$ 203.25	\$ 209.34	\$ 215.62	\$ 222.09	\$ 228.76
\$ 223.51	\$ 230.22	\$ 237.12	\$ 244.24	\$ 251.56	\$ 259.11	\$ 266.88
\$ 255.44	\$ 263.10	\$ 271.00	\$ 279.13	\$ 287.50	\$ 296.12	\$ 305.01
\$ 287.37	\$ 295.99	\$ 304.87	\$ 314.02	\$ 323.44	\$ 333.14	\$ 343.13
\$ 319.30	\$ 328.88	\$ 338.75	\$ 348.91	\$ 359.37	\$ 370.16	\$ 381.26
\$ 351.23	\$ 361.77	\$ 372.62	\$ 383.80	\$ 395.31	\$ 407.17	\$ 419.39
\$ 383.16	\$ 394.65	\$ 406.49	\$ 418.69	\$ 431.25	\$ 444.19	\$ 457.51
\$ 415.09	\$ 427.54	\$ 440.37	\$ 453.58	\$ 467.19	\$ 481.20	\$ 495.64
\$ 447.02	\$ 460.43	\$ 474.24	\$ 488.47	\$ 503.12	\$ 518.22	\$ 533.77
\$ 478.95	\$ 493.32	\$ 508.12	\$ 523.36	\$ 539.06	\$ 555.23	\$ 571.89
\$ 510.88	\$ 526.21	\$ 541.99	\$ 558.25	\$ 575.00	\$ 592.25	\$ 610.02
\$ 542.81	\$ 559.09	\$ 575.87	\$ 593.14	\$ 610.94	\$ 629.27	\$ 648.14
\$ 574.74	\$ 591.98	\$ 609.74	\$ 628.03	\$ 646.87	\$ 666.28	\$ 686.27
\$ 606.67	\$ 624.87	\$ 643.62	\$ 662.92	\$ 682.81	\$ 703.30	\$ 724.40
\$ 638.60	\$ 657.76	\$ 677.49	\$ 697.82	\$ 718.75	\$ 740.31	\$ 762.52
\$ 670.53	\$ 690.65	\$ 711.37	\$ 732.71	\$ 754.69	\$ 777.33	\$ 800.65
\$ 702.46	\$ 723.53	\$ 745.24	\$ 767.60	\$ 790.62	\$ 814.34	\$ 838.77
\$ 734.39	\$ 756.42	\$ 779.11	\$ 802.49	\$ 826.56	\$ 851.36	\$ 876.90
\$ 766.32	\$ 789.31	\$ 812.99	\$ 837.38	\$ 862.50	\$ 888.37	\$ 915.03

*These 8 Year projections assume your house value does not increase and the department asks for the full 3% increase.

Year-Over-Year Financial Comparison

Core Financial Metric	Jan - Dec 2024 Actuals	Jan - Dec 2025 Actuals	Jan - Jun 2026 YTD
Gross Profit / Revenue	\$188,797.40	\$304,103.78	\$213,427.18
Total Expenses	\$135,375.59	\$246,066.32	\$110,370.34
Net Income / Cash Surplus	\$53,421.81	\$58,037.46	\$103,056.84

North Bench Volunteer Fire Department Actuals 2024, 2025 and half of 2026, plus 2026 Budget

Financial Category / Line Item	2024 Actuals	2025 Actuals	2026 YTD (Jan-Jun)	2026 Proposed Budget
REVENUES				
Membership Dues	\$162,613.18	\$288,142.17	\$203,766.84	\$444,600.00
Services Rendered / Rentals	\$1,194.50	\$2,958.43	\$0.00	\$1,495.93
Fire Contracting Services	\$2,726.05	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Interest Income	\$1,711.17	\$1,122.36	\$251.34	\$0.00
Other / Grant Income	\$707.50	\$0.00	\$8,567.00	\$15,000.00
Donation Income	\$9,646.00	\$11,880.82	\$842.00	\$0.00
TOTAL REVENUES	\$188,797.40	\$304,103.78	\$213,427.18	\$459,600.00
PERSONNEL EXPENSES				
Fire Chief Salary	\$0.00	\$68,000.04	\$34,000.02	\$65,000.00
Administrator (Part-Time)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$20,000.00
Part-Time Operations / Training Officer	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$25,000.00
Volunteer Firefighter Stipends	\$11,181.97	\$23,362.10	\$12,735.00	\$40,000.00
Payroll Taxes / Expenses	\$3,056.55	\$7,761.94	\$3,953.03	\$9,000.00
Workers Compensation Insurance	\$0.00	\$1,309.00	\$3,970.00	\$4,000.00
TOTAL PERSONNEL	\$14,238.52	\$100,433.08	\$54,658.05	\$163,000.00
FACILITIES & STATION				
Station Utilities (Gas, Electric, Water)	\$6,822.32	\$5,696.38	\$4,010.32	\$8,000.00
Building / Facilities Maintenance	\$1,088.56	\$11,273.03	\$387.31	\$12,000.00
Station Supplies / Rehab Meals	\$851.73	\$879.14	\$350.00	\$4,000.00
Grounds Maintenance / Snow Removal	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5,000.00
Facility Insurance	\$0.00	\$9,760.00	\$0.00	\$12,000.00
TOTAL FACILITIES	\$8,762.61	\$27,608.55	\$4,747.63	\$41,000.00
APPARATUS OPERATIONS				
Vehicle Maintenance & Repairs	\$8,279.79	\$16,601.89	\$8,812.56	\$28,000.00

	2024 Actuals	2025 Actuals	2026 thru June Actuals	2026 proposed Budget
Tires and Mechanical Parts	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$7,000.00
Fuel	\$2,728.71	\$7,594.34	\$4,328.32	\$12,000.00
Vehicle Insurance	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$20,000.00
TOTAL APPARATUS	\$11,008.50	\$24,196.23	\$13,140.88	\$67,000.00

EQUIPMENT & PROTECTIVE GEAR

Structural & Wildland PPE / PPC	\$0.00	\$21,816.96	\$11,331.53	\$18,000.00
Hose / Hand Tools Replacement	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$11,000.00
Radios & Communications Equipment	\$480.48	\$7,652.13	\$243.39	\$6,000.00
Medical / First Aid Equipment	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,500.00
Upgrade-New Equip-Vehicle	\$0.00	\$4,620.99	\$4,709.23	\$0.00
TOTAL EQUIPMENT	\$480.48	\$34,090.08	\$16,284.15	\$38,500.00

TRAINING & DEVELOPMENT

Firefighter Training Courses	\$599.97	\$1,220.42	\$1,793.69	\$10,000.00
Travel, Lodging & Materials	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$6,000.00
Certifications, Testing & Licenses	\$1,123.00	\$23.00	\$0.00	\$2,000.00
TOTAL TRAINING	\$1,722.97	\$1,243.42	\$1,793.69	\$18,000.00

ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS

Office Supplies & Postage	\$3,851.24	\$2,270.86	\$1,614.94	\$2,000.00
Accounting / Bookkeeping	\$5,256.75	\$7,606.70	\$4,474.03	\$4,500.00
Legal Fees & Compliance	\$3,500.00	\$1,400.00	\$0.00	\$2,500.00
Technology, Software & Website	\$267.87	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,500.00
Advertising & Outreach	\$372.00	\$910.68	\$271.61	\$4,500.00
Subscriptions & Bank Charges	\$1,744.50	\$1,959.82	\$236.89	\$0.00
TOTAL ADMINISTRATIVE	\$14,992.36	\$14,148.06	\$6,574.47	\$16,000.00

PROPERTY DEBT SERVICE

Property Loan Principal & Interest	\$15,783.86	\$14,801.55	\$7,307.54	\$23,000.00
Airport Lease / Rent Payment	\$3,375.00	\$6,975.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
TOTAL DEBT SERVICE	\$19,158.86	\$21,776.55	\$7,307.54	\$23,000.00

CAPITAL RESERVES

Water Tender Replacement Fund
Engine Replacement Reserve
Equipment Capital Reserve
Facility Improvement Reserve
TOTAL RESERVES

*2024
actuals**2025
actuals**2026 thru
June
actuals**Proposed
2026
Budget*

\$0.00
\$0.00
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\$50,000.00
\$11,000.00
\$10,000.00
\$5,000.00
\$76,000.00

*Savings***DEPRECIATION & OTHER UNBUDGETED**

Depreciation Expense
Property Taxes
Other Expense / Entertainment
TOTAL UNBUDGETED

\$16,003.00
\$8.80
\$497.98
\$16,509.78

\$0.00
\$0.00
\$1,723.67
\$1,723.67

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SUMMARY TOTALS

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\$103,056.84

\$459,600.00
\$442,500.00
\$17,100.00

*Savings**\$93,100
Savings!*

- **August 28th ballot language must be submitted, in written format. 34-106**
- **No later than September 14th need to have the budget information ready to provide to the elector stating the purpose of the election, the date, polling locations, open times, aggregate amount of taxes that will be raised in the proposed taxing district, if the election is successful and the increase that will occur per one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) of taxable value of property. See Idaho code 63-802C**
- **Fire District Maint & Operation 31-1423(1) .0024 Max. Rate or \$240.00 per \$100,000**
- **Absentee ballots need to be mailed by September 18th and the above information will need to be either sent previously or mailed with the absentee ballots. 34-308**
- **Election day 11-3-26**

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEARBY GIVEN, that the Board of County Commissioners of Boundary County, Idaho will meet August 25, 2026 at the hour of 5:30 p.m. at the Bonners Ferry High School Auditorium, 6485 Tamarack Lane, Bonners Ferry, Idaho, for the purpose of hearing public comment regarding the proposed establishment of the North Bench Fire District. The proposed district boundaries are listed as follows: see exhibit "A".

Any taxpayer within the proposed boundaries of such proposed district may appear at the hearing and offer public comment to the organization of the district, the proposed boundaries of the district, or the including or excluding of any real property therein or therefrom .

A copy of the proposed fire district map is available in the Clerk's office.

Publication dates

August 6, 2026

August 13, 2026

August 20, 2026

Sunday, August 16, 2026

From: Katy McKeney and Dan LaForce
Parcel number: RP63N01E340003A

To the Honorable Boundary County Commissioners:

Please read the following Testimony at the August 25, 2026 Public Meeting in our absence.

Position: We fully support putting the issue of creating a taxing district on the ballot. This should be a decision made by the people who will be impacted and the democratic process should be fully allowed at the voting box.

Rationale:

- The dues-based system is not working, so the Fire District has been forced to follow the lead of other fire districts and ask the public for the support of a taxing district.
- Only around half of the property owners pay their annual dues.
- The actual increase in annual dues is reasonable but payment is guaranteed to be paid by all property owners in this tax-based system. These services are not FREE as half of the community members seem to think.
- The volunteer fire service can no longer maintain their standard of service on an already depleted, uncertain, annual budget, against a rising tide of fires, double the fuel costs, and endless expensive maintenance costs typical of any working rigs, especially fire trucks.
- A tax-based system will significantly reduce the administrative time now needed to track and collect annual dues.
- A taxing district will breathe new life into a financially faltering and underappreciated volunteer fire department and prove to them that we are a community that truly appreciates their efforts and are willing to budget for them to continue. The risk is too great for us as a community to not have a viable fire service.

North Bench Fire District Performance:

- Unforecasted high winds, a tree, and a power pole started the Turner Hill Road flash fire on July 15th, 2026. A no-fault scenario. The power immediately went out adding to "communication between neighbors" difficulty.
- Within a short span of time, we heard the comforting sound of fire trucks and police sirens.
- Three county roads that included Fawn Lane, Fleming Cr. Road, and Kings Row Road were all under a Level 3 evacuation about three hours after the fire started.
- We were part of this Level 3 Evacuation. As we departed in the inky black night buffeted by high winds, Dan took a parting shot of our shop that was in the same frame as flames and smoke billowing up from around Turtle Hill.

Tim Bertling
Lester Pinkerton
AUG 24 2026
Ben Robertson
Other

- The North Bench Fire District coordinated with outside assets, fought the fire themselves, and in short, no structures save a small shed were lost in this dangerous fire.
- One does not have to look far to understand what a huge accomplishment this was for our community. 15 homes lost in the Spokane Beacon Hill fire, 100s of homes lost in the Spokane Complex Fires, including pets and all of these fire victim's lives have been changed forever, and not in a good way.
- I (Katy) know because I also lost everything in an arson fire, in a different state, and would not wish this experience on anyone.

Final Thoughts

The risks to us, as a community are too great to not have a viable fire service. Honorable Commissioners, please ignore the negative and loud noise of a few and give the community a chance to do the right thing and vote for a taxing district.

In a community it is not I, it is WE. What is best for everyone? Starting 21 years ago and for several years, we paid our annual North Bench Fire District dues when our land was just a pocket-gopher infested parcel because it was best for the community.

Thank you for your service and for your thoughtful consideration of this issue.

Respectfully,

Katy McKerney and Dan LaForce

Handwritten signatures of Katy McKerney and Dan LaForce. The signature for Katy McKerney is on the left, and the signature for Dan LaForce is on the right.

cc. Sent via email and a signed hard copy dropped off at the Fire Station

to the Boundary County Commissioners
% Eric Chuq, Ken Baker