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2025 BUDGET CONSIDERATION Pilot Mountain Fire Protection 2413

ATTACHMENT(S): 1. 2025 Proposed Budget

2. 2025 - 2029 Financial Plan

SERVICE DESCRIPTION:

The Pilot Mountain Fire Protection service was established in 1995 and provides fire protection to the residents in the Hobby Ranches and Chief Lake Road areas.

The Fire Protection service is undertaken by a complement of volunteer fire fighters who report, through their Fire Chief, to the Pilot Mountain Fire Protection Community Consultation Committee. The Committee is responsible for providing advice and recommendations on the fire department's annual operating budget, capital purchases, long term financial planning, and other matters which may be referred to it by the Regional District.

The fire department is funded by a property value tax levied against the net taxable value of land and improvements within the service area.

The budget was prepared in consultation with the Fire Chief and the Pilot Mountain Fire Protection Community Consultation Committee.

The Pilot Mountain Fire Protection Community Consultation Committee supports the budget as proposed and recommends approval.

STRATEGIC PRIORITIES ALIGNMENT:

Indigenous and Intergovernmental Partnerships		Organizational Strength and Adaptability	Quality Community Services	Environmental Stewardship and Climate Action
Awareness and Engagement	\boxtimes	Statutory or Routine Business		

SERVICE DETAILS:

Participants: Service Area within Electoral Area A

Requisition Limit: Greater of \$138,030 or \$3.60 per \$1,000 (2025 limit \$1,263,701)

Debt Balance: None

SERVICE WORKPLAN:

- Purchase personal protective safety clothing and carbon fiber air bottles.
- Continue to explore the feasibility of a future fire hall expansion in 2027 and develop funding strategy.
- Install lights in fire hall mezzanine.
- Upgrade radio equipment.
- Save funds to support apparatus replacement strategy.

CAPITAL PROJECTS:

N/A

OVERALL FINANCIAL IMPACT:

	2024		2025		\$ Change		% Change	
Total Expenditure:	\$	392,470	\$	313,821	\$	(78,649)	(20.0) %	
Requisition:	\$	262,334	\$	288,567	\$	26,233	10.0 %	

BUDGET INFLUENCES/SIGNIFICANT VARIANCES:

- Budget supports continual upgrades and maintenance to equipment and fire hall property, maintaining current service levels and infrastructure planning in accordance with the Asset Management Strategy.
- Overall decrease in budget is due the replacement of Squad 11 truck occurring in 2024.

Respectfully submitted,

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