## **RESOLUTION NO. R16-39**

## A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF LAUREL AND THE LAUREL AIRPORT AUTHORITY, RELATING TO FIRE PROTECTION.

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Laurel, Montana:

Section 1: <u>Approval</u>. The Agreement between the City of Laurel and Laurel Airport Authority relating to fire protection, a copy attached hereto, be and the same are hereby approved.

Section 2: <u>Execution</u>. The Mayor and City Clerk-Treasurer of the City of Laurel are hereby given authority to execute said agreement on behalf of the City.

Introduced at a regular meeting of the City Council on June 7, 2016, by Council Member Mountsier .

PASSED and APPROVED by the City Council of the City of Laurel, this 7<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2016.

APPROVED by the Mayor this 7<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2016.

CITY OF LAUREL

Mark A. Mace, Mayor

ATTEST:

Shirley Ewan, Clerk/Treasurer

Approved as to form:

Sam S. Painter, Civil City Attorney



## LAUREL FIRE DEPARTMENT

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May 2, 2016

Laurel Airport Authority Dr. John Smith PO Box 242 Laurel, Mt. 59044

Dear Laurel Airport Authority Chairperson,

The Laurel Volunteer Fire Department and the City of Laurel have discussed the upcoming district contracts and other services for the Rural Fire Districts and Fire Service Areas.

We would like to continue to offer a one year contract with a 2% increase over the next year. The increase is due to the rising cost of expenses associated to the fire service. Such increases are to fire apparatus, both new equipment and the maintenance and repair of existing apparatus, personal protective equipment, rising fuel costs and equipment purchases to maintain a highly effective service to our districts.

The proposed increase would be as follows:

2016- 2017

\$4522.55 x 2% = \$90.45

\$4613.00

If your Board of Directors agrees with this increase, the Fire Committee is requesting that the 2016- 2017 contract will be finalized and ready to be presented to the City of Laurel Council by the Laurel Fire Chief on June 7, 2016. If you feel that the increase is unjust and would like to meet with myself or the Fire Committee please contact me and arrange a date and time at your convenience to meet.

Enclosed you will find the contract for the upcoming year of service. Please sign and return to the following by May 27, 2016.

Cindy Allen Council Secretary PO Box 10 Laurel, Mt. 59044

Thank you for your support. If there is anything we can do to help support the Laurel Airport please don't hesitate to call us. Feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns.

**Brent S. Peters** 

Fire Chief, Laurel Fire Department

## **AGREEMENT**

THIS AGREEMENT, made and entered into this 1<sup>st</sup> day of July, 2016, by and between the CITY OF LAUREL, a municipal corporation, Yellowstone County, Montana, hereinafter referred to as "City", and LAUREL AIRPORT AUTHORITY, hereinafter referred to as "Airport Authority".

WHEREAS, the said Airport Authority has requested the City to provide fire protection to the said district and the said City is agreeable to provide said fire protection.

NOW, THEREFORE, for the mutual benefit and advantage of each, it is herewith agreed as follows:

I.

That the City, in consideration of the covenants and agreements of the Airport Authority hereafter agrees as follows:

- 1. To dispatch the City fire equipment and personnel to fight fires, explosions, or any other emergency call to endangered property within the said Airport Authority district upon notification of the City.
- 2. It is expressly agreed and understood that the amount of equipment, the type of equipment, the number of personnel dispatched, the manner of fighting the fire or explosion, etc., shall be in the sole discretion of the City and its personnel.
- 3. It is further mutually covenanted, agreed and understood that in the event fire or explosion or emergency calls shall occur simultaneously in the Airport Authority district and within the City's municipal boundaries that the City shall have the preference to use its equipment and manpower in protecting the City property first, and that protection of City inhabitants and property shall have preference and priority over any call, demand of the Airport Authority.
- 4. The Chief of the City of Laurel Fire Department shall make the investigation of all fires within the organized fire district or explosions and attempting to determine the cause, origin, and circumstances of same.

II.

The Airport Authority district in consideration of the covenants and agreements of the City, as herein stated, agrees as follows:

- 1. To pay to the City the total sum of <u>four thousand six hundred thirteen dollars</u> (\$4,613.00). One-half of the said fees shall be paid on or before December 31, 2016 and the remaining one-half shall be paid on or before June 30, 2017.
- 2. In the event that the Airport Authority district is enlarged or additional buildings built therein that the City may adjust the compensation upwards as required for the additional protection;
- 3. The Airport Authority agrees to cooperate with the City and the City Fire Department in the inspection of the property to be protected and to cooperate in

reducing fire risks as may be suggested from time to time by the Fire Department personnel and/or the City Fire Inspector.

III.

It is mutually covenanted, agreed, and understood that the term of this agreement shall be for one (1) year, commencing on July 1, 2016 and expiring on June 30, 2017 subject to the extension provision below.

IV.

Prior to expiration, this agreement may be extended for one or more thirty-day period(s) to provide the parties the opportunity to negotiate a new annual agreement. The parties may extend the agreement in writing that is accepted and signed by both the City's Mayor and the Airport Authority's Chairman.

CITY OF LAUREL

Mark A. Mace. Mayor

AIRPORT AUTHORITY

John Hawley Smith, Chairman

ATTEST:

Shirley Ewan, Clerk/Treasurer