

**Custer County Fire Advisory Board Surplus Funds Committee Meeting Minutes  
Thursday, October 3, 2019**

**1) Roll Call**

Administrative Assistant	Terri C.
Argyle	David M.
Buffalo Gap	
Commissioner	
Custer	
Custer State Park	
Dewey	
Emergency Management	
Fairburn	Klinton R., Jim S.
Folsom	Scott E. & David U.
Battle Creek	Paul J.
Highlands	Chris M.
Pringle	
State Wild Land Fire	
SD State Fire	
Pennington County Fire Dept	
US Forest Service	

The surplus funds committee met at the Custer State Park Wildland Office to discuss the process for distributing the surplus funds of \$500,000 that was given to the Fire Advisory Board from Custer County. Jim S. called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Jim S. reviewed the minutes of the surplus committee meeting on June 19, 2019. Clarification was made on the reference to creating an emergency services district for the North Eastern part of the county was for ambulance services.

Discussion was held on how to get the funds distributed out to all the fire departments in the next year. The Fairburn VFD believes the study should be foregone at this late of a date and the funds be directly disbursed to departments by guidelines set forth by the County Fire Advisory Board. The idea of giving a base amount to each department and dividing the remaining amount on a percentage of total county valuation for each fire response area. Several ideas were expressed as to how to divide the funds. Jim S. expressed a need to cover all the fire departments in the county, including Edgemont and Hot Springs.

The following was the consensus of the committee to distribute the funds:

Fire Area	Total Value	%	Base	Add'l	Total
Argyle	76,770,436.00	6.80%	30,000	17,000	47,000
Battle Creek	220,686,704.00	19.60%	30,000	49,000	79,000
Buffalo Gap	29,251,684.00	2.60%	30,000	6,500	36,500
Custer	611,974,119.00	54.50%	30,000	136,250	166,250
Dewey	7,234,120.00		2,500		2,500
Fairburn	81,562,132.00	7.20%	30,000	18,000	48,000
Folsom	24,907,513.00	2.20%	30,000	5,500	35,500
Highlands	34,936,510.00	3.10%	30,000	7,750	37,750
Hot Springs	16,344,529.00		7,500		7,500
Pringle	<u>43,386,772.00</u>	<u>3.90%</u>	<u>30,000</u>	<u>9,750</u>	<u>39,750</u>
Totals	1,147,054,519.00	99.90%	250,000	249,750	499,750

Motion by Jim S. and seconded by Scott E. to present this recommendation to the Fire Advisory Board for disbursement of the funds and to recommend not doing a study to prioritize the needs of the all the departments. Motion carried.

#### Adjournment

Jim S. adjourned the meeting at 7:50 p.m.

Next Meeting: Fire Advisory Board - Thursday, November 14, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. – Location: Custer State Park Wildland Office with Custer Highlands Fire Department hosting.

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Jim Strain

Respectfully submitted,  
Terri Cornelison, Administrative Assistant