



CITY OF STANLEY

RESOLUTION 2024-3

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF STANLEY, IDAHO, REGARDING SUPPRESSION OF THE WAPITI FIRE

WHEREAS, the 127,000 acre Wapiti Fire, that burned into the Sawtooth Valley in August, September, and October of 2024 threatened public safety, and the destruction of public and private property within and near the City of Stanley:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF STANLEY, Custer County, Idaho, THAT:

- The City of Stanley would like to express its gratitude to Rocky Mountain Complex Incident Management Team 1 for their successful efforts in preventing loss of life, injury, and property loss within the City of Stanley and nearby developed areas.
- The City of Stanley recognizes the professionalism displayed by Team 1 in making difficult strategic and tactical fire suppression decisions, that led to successful outcomes under dangerous and challenging circumstances.
- The City of Stanley appreciates the efforts by Team 1 to provide timely information, and to meet with residents of the City and surrounding areas threatened by the fire, and clearly and simply explain the fire situation and the rationale for their strategic and tactical decisions.
- The Custer County Sheriff, Levi Maydole and his deputies worked diligently during a time of severe crisis to maintain public safety, including evacuating people whose lives were threatened by intense crown fire, while responding to help individuals who had special needs and circumstances.
- The Custer County Emergency Management Officer, Lisa Benson, provided timely and professional support to citizens affected by the crisis, and to the Mayor's Office, both during the fire and afterwards in seeking to provide disaster relief for economic losses.
- The Sawtooth Valley Rural Fire Department, under the leadership of Fire Chief Steve Herrett, was instrumental in mobilizing structural fire protection for the City of Stanley and surrounding developed areas, and in providing essential advice to the incident management team.

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- The City of Stanley recognizes and appreciates the critical fire management decisions made by the Sawtooth National Recreation Area staff, under the leadership of Area Ranger Kirk Flannigan, that led to the successful suppression of the fire and prevented the loss of many homes directly in the path of intense crown fire.

Authorized by the City Council the 10th day of October 2024 and signed in open session in authentication of its adoption.

City Council President

The Mayor concurring

The Honorable Mayor, Steve Botti

ATTEST:

City Clerk