

MINUTES
Mid-Columbia Fire and Rescue
Board of Directors Meeting
Virtually Held
1400 West 8th Street, The Dalles, Oregon
July 20, 2020

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Board President David Jacobs called the July 20, 2020 meeting of Mid-Columbia Fire and Rescue to order at 5:30 pm.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by President Jacobs.

3. ROLL CALL

Directors present via video conference: David Jacobs, David Peters, Diana Bailey and Mike Cronin. Dick Schaffeld was in attendance via telephone.

Staff: Bob Palmer, Fire Chief; David Jensen, Division Chief.

Others: Tom Peachey, Legal Counsel

Chief Palmer read the compliance and ground rules regarding video conferencing and public meeting law. This board meeting was conducted remotely in order to mitigate the transmission of the Coronavirus in accordance with Governor Brown's Executive Order 20-12 to suspend all public gatherings. Public access information was made available prior to the meeting. The District received no requests for accommodations by any members of the public and there were no members of the public who accessed the meeting via telephone or video conference.

4. AGENDA CHANGES

No changes to the agenda.

5. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Upon motions duly made and seconded Dave Jacobs was elected as president, Diana Bailey was elected as Vice President and Dave Peters was elected as Secretary-Treasurer by 5-0 votes.

6. MINUTES

The minutes from the June 15, 2020 regular meeting were approved as presented.

7. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

8. NEW BOARD MEMBER

Mike Cronin was welcomed as a new Board Member. Mr. Cronin took his oath of office earlier in the day at legal counsel's office.

9. FINANCIAL REPORTS

a. Cash Accounts Summary: Director Peters inquired about an expenditure. The Chief explained that the expenditure that related to the training tower construction. The chief reported that additional damage had been found and that that information was being forwarded to the insurance company. President Jacobs pointed out that there was a significant carry over from the previous financial year which in his opinion reflected good financial management of the district.

b. Ambulance Service Financial Report: Included in board packet.

10. COMMITTEE REPORTS

a. Urban Renewal Report – Director Bailey: The urban renewal committee appears to be focused on the elimination of property ownership.

b. Enterprise Zone Report – President Jacobs: 3 new structures are scheduled to be built on google property. They are going to be making a payment to the Enterprise Zone of 1.2 million dollars in both 2020 and 2021. They will also be paying an annual fee of 1.8 million for 10 years. President Jacobs is hopeful that a portion of these funds can go to the locally affected districts. We are hopeful that the construction will require the developers to comply with the newly adopted LUDO. The chief indicated that he would reach out to City planning to check on the status of the development. Another project was also discussed that did not involve Google that could generate some potential fees.

11. FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

Incident Report: There were 238 calls for service in the month of June.

911 Usage: Usage was 10% for the month of June.

Fire Chiefs Update: Chief Palmer provided the Board with an Information Sheet which gave updates regarding Bond projects, sale of Surplus apparatus, student housing project, policy committee progress, GEMT program, EZ Program, ASA plan, BIA Fire Protection Contract, Leadership Assessment and Coaching, Fire Chief Performance Appraisal Process and COVID-19 Pandemic response.

The surplus aerial truck has been listed with a broker in hopes of receiving a higher sale value for this piece apparatus.

Division Chief Wood's Report: Included in board packet.

Division Chief Jensen's Report: Included in board packet.

Division Chief Coleman Report: Included in board packet. Captain Coleman has been selected to serve as a Division Chief in charge of training that is expected to become a regular appointment in the near future.

Other:

1. The Chief announced that the District had entered into an intergovernmental agreement with the City of The Dalles to assist with its public accounting needs.
2. The Chief also noted the departure of administrative assistant Dana Wood and that the district was currently evaluating applications for that position.
3. The Chief also discussed that 4 job offers have been made to Fire Fighters.

12. CORRESPONDENCE

None

13. OLD BUSINESS

None

14. NEW BUSINESS

David Peters made a motion to approve resolution 2020-05 regarding the addition and removal of check signers for Mid-Columbia Fire and Rescue. Director Bailey seconded the Motion. The motion passed 5-0 with all director's voting yes via roll call vote.

15. EXECUTIVE SESSION

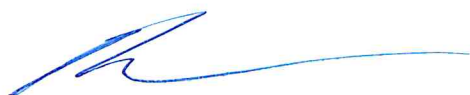
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16. GOOD OF THE ORDER

None

17. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by motion at 6:23 p.m.



Board President



Secretary / Treasurer