

MINUTES

Mid-Columbia Fire and Rescue
Board of Directors Meeting
Training Room, Station 1
1400 West 8th Street, The Dalles, Oregon
June 16, 2014

1. ROLL CALL / AGENDA CHANGES

Board President Robin Miles called the June 16, 2014 meeting of Mid-Columbia Fire and Rescue to order at 5:42 pm.

Directors present: Robin Miles, Dick Schaffeld and John Willer.

Staff: Bob Palmer, Fire Chief; Jay Wood, Division Chief; Dan Hammel, Division Chief; Dana Woods, Office Manager.

Others: Tom Peachey, Legal Counsel

Excused: Tom Ashmore and Bill Wolfe

2. MINUTES

Director Willer moved to approve the minutes of the May 19, 2014 regular meeting. Director Schaffeld seconded. The motion passed with all voting yes.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

David Penicook from Wilson Heirgood Insurance presented the Districts property/casualty and workers compensation insurance policies to the Board.

4. OPEN PUBLIC HEARING

The regular board meeting adjourned into the Open Public Hearing to receive public testimony regarding the 2014-2015 proposed budget. Board President Miles asked for any public comment. There was no comment from the public. The Open Public Hearing closed and reconvened back into the regular board meeting at 6:04 pm.

5. FINANCIAL REPORTS

Cash Accounts Summary: Included in board packet.

Ambulance Service Financial Report: Included in board packet.

6. COMMITTEE REPORTS

President Miles reported that not much of anything significant happened at the most recent Urban Renewal Committee meeting.

Chief Palmer attended the Urban Renewal Agency meeting and reported that the Mayor is pushing Rapoza and Mike Leash to meet the deadlines they have committed to.

7. FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

Incident Report: There were 212 calls for service in the month of May. 174 were for EMS.

911 Usage: Usage was 10% for the month of May, a slight decrease from the prior month.

Training Division Report: Included in board packet.

Prevention Division Activities: Included in board packet.

Volunteer R&R Division Activities: Included in board packet.

Other:

1. Chief Palmer attended the City Council meeting to observe discussion regarding the Road Tax. The City is empathetic with the District's position resulting from additional compression. The City Council voted to opt out of a joint taxing district with Wasco County.
2. The Station 2 final plans and costing have been put together. Preliminary estimates put the cost at \$605,000, which is over-budget. Chief Palmer has a meeting scheduled with city and county representatives of the Enterprise Zone committee to see if additional funding is available to cover the difference.
3. The Districts AFG Grant for SCBA's was approved, but for a smaller number of air packs than what was submitted. Currently in the process of working with FEMA to see if the number of packs can be adjusted back to the original request amount.
4. The District was successful in bidding on 1 of the used Engines from San Diego. The bid has to be accepted by the seller, then arrangements can be made to have it transported. Estimated cost to have it shipped from California is \$3478.

5. The District has recently received two resignations. Engineer Gillette will be leaving to begin employment in Hermiston and Firefighter Martizia will be leaving to join Camas/Washougal Fire. Best wishes to them both as they continue their careers with new agencies.
6. The Dalles 4th of July Celebration Event will begin with a parade at 10 am, will continue with festivities at Lewis and Clark park, ending with large fireworks display. This could potentially prove to be a very busy day for the District.
7. The District's annual 4th of July picnic will be held at Station 1, beginning at 3:00 pm. District to provide hamburgers and hot dogs with all the condiments as well as drinks.

8. **CORRESPONDENCE**

- a. Letter from Oregon Dept. of Forestry declaring the start of fire season effective June 9, 2014.
- b. Press release from MCF&R dated June 10, 2014 which restricts outdoor pile burning.

9. **OLD BUSINESS**

None

10. **NEW BUSINESS**

Resolution 2014-07 Adopting the Budget: The budget committee approved the proposed 2014-2015 Mid-Columbia Fire and Rescue Budget as presented, with total appropriations in all funds in the amount of \$5,896,453.

MOTION: Director Willer moved to adopt Resolution 2014-07 "Adopting the Budget, Making Appropriations and Imposing and Categorizing Taxes". Director Schaffeld seconded. The motion passed with Miles, Schaffeld and Willer voting yes.

Surplus items: The Fire District again has accumulated property awaiting surplus. Property of this nature is taken out of service and placed into storage. Once approved for surplus, the property will be discarded, sold or donated to another governmental organization.

MOTION: Director Schaffeld moved to declare the items noted on Exhibit "A" as surplus property. Director Willer seconded. The motion passed with Miles, Willer and Schaffeld voting yes.

11. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Adjourn to Executive Session in accordance with ORS 192.660(2) (d) to conduct deliberations with persons designated by the governing body to carry on labor negotiations.

The regular board meeting adjourned into executive session at 6:41 pm.

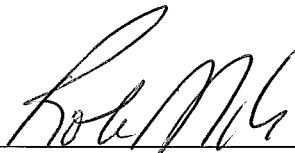
The executive session ended and the regular board meeting reconvened at 7:40 pm.

12. **BOARD OF DIRECTOR REMARKS**

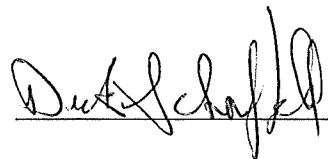
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13. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by motion at 7:41 p.m.



Board President



Secretary / Treasurer