

MINUTES

Mid-Columbia Fire and Rescue
Board of Directors Meeting
Conference Room 1, Station 1
1400 West 8th Street, The Dalles, Oregon
December 16, 2013

1. **ROLL CALL / AGENDA CHANGES**

Board Vice President Tom Ashmore called the December 16, 2013 meeting of Mid-Columbia Fire and Rescue to order at 5:30 pm.

Directors present: Tom Ashmore, Dick Schaffeld, John Willer and Bill Wolfe.

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

Excused : Robin Miles

Others: Tom Peachey, Legal Counsel; Eric Blumenthal, Engineer; Paul DePriest, Engineer.

2. **MINUTES**

Director Schaffeld moved to approve the minutes of the November 18, 2013 regular meeting. Director Wolfe seconded. The motion passed with all voting yes.

3. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

4. **FINANCIAL REPORTS**

Cash Accounts Summary: Included in board packet.

Ambulance Service Financial Report: Included in board packet.

5. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

No Urban Renewal Committee report in President Miles' absence.

Director Wolfe reported that there is currently not a lot of immediate interest from Mosier in annexation, but there is expressed future interest.

6. **FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT**

Incident Report: There were 182 calls for service in the month of November. 156 were for EMS. Call volume for 2013 continues to be lower compared to the same period for 2012.

911 Usage: Usage was 11% for the month of November, a decrease compared to the previous 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 items as needed:

1. SAFER Grant Award / Station 2 Remodel: These two items will require a Supplemental Budget, which Chief Palmer and Dana will prepare. The City of The Dalles will try to push the IGA through quickly, so that the funding for the Station 2 project can be secured by MCF&R. An RFP for the Station 2 project will need to be completed. Chief Palmer has already been in contact with three contractors.
2. USCOE Letter: Included was a copy of the letter from Tom Peachey regarding negotiations of a contract for services outside of the Fire District area.
3. BIA – Fire Protection: We are currently waiting to hear back from BIA regarding Fire Protection Contract.
4. ISO Technical Training: The Chiefs attended this training in Brooks and found it to be very educational and informative.
5. 5 County Mutual Aid Agreement: Has been signed by all parties – Hood River / Wasco / Sherman / Skamania / Klickitat Counties.

7. **CORRESPONDENCE**

Included was a copy of the Urban Renewal Debt Repayment Plan. If there are any questions, Chief Palmer can pass them on to appropriate agency.

8. **OLD BUSINESS**

None

9. **NEW BUSINESS**

Included was a copy of the Notice from The City of The Dalles which notifies taxing entities of the establishment of a Vertical Housing Development Zone in the downtown area. There is no negative impact financially on the local taxing districts. Director Schaffeld made a motion that the Fire District will not oppose the Vertical Housing Development Zone. Director Willer seconded, with all members of the Board voting yes.

10. **GOOD OF THE ORDER**

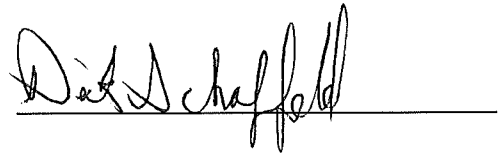
SDAO Conference will be February 7, 8, and 9. Chief Palmer has reserved 6 rooms at The Best Western in Seaside. Any Board Members interested in attending should let Chief Palmer know.

11. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by motion at 6:12 p.m.



Board President



Secretary / Treasurer