

# MINUTES

Mid-Columbia Fire and Rescue  
Board of Directors Meeting  
Training Room, Station 1  
1400 West 8<sup>th</sup> Street, The Dalles, Oregon  
November 21, 2016

## **1. ROLL CALL / AGENDA CHANGES**

Board President John Willer called the November 21, 2016 meeting of Mid-Columbia Fire and Rescue to order at 5:31 pm.

Directors present: Tom Ashmore, Crystal Dodge, John Willer and Robin Miles.

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

Others: Tom Peachey, Legal Counsel; Lieutenant Eric Blumenthal; Captain Fred Coleman; Firefighter Walt Denstedt; Dee Apperson.

Agenda Changes: None

## **2. MINUTES**

Minutes from the October 17, 2016 Regular Board Meeting were accepted as presented.

## **3. PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

## **4. OPEN PUBLIC HEARING**

The regular board meeting adjourned into the Open Public Hearing regarding a proposed supplemental budget for Fiscal Year 2016-2017. Chief Palmer recapped the proposed adjustments to the 2016-2017 budget to accommodate unanticipated Grant proceeds. Board President Willer 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 5:34 p.m..

## 5. FINANCIAL REPORTS

Cash Accounts Summary: Included in board packet.

Ambulance Service Financial Report: Included in board packet.

## 6. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Nothing new to report.

## 7. FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

Incident Report: There were 234 calls for service in the month of October. 194 were for EMS.

911 Usage: Usage was 10% for the month of October – no change from the previous month.

Training Division Report: Included in board packet. Director Dodge asked if there was a monthly training schedule put out by DC Wood with assigned training for each Shift for the month. Chief Palmer responded that if a Training Schedule was put out, 911 call volume would not allow for all tasks to always be accomplished.

Prevention Division Activities: Included in board packet.

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

Other:

1. GO Bond Update: The Bond passed. There will be a celebratory get together on December 13 at 5:30 pm at Station 1. Pizza will be served.
2. Antelope Regional SAFER Grant: Looking into potential opportunity to administer / manage a regional FEMA Grant that was awarded to Antelope / Fossil – and then pulled back / terminated by FEMA.
3. Hiring 3 SAFER Firefighter positions that will start in January. Need one more new hire to fill vacancy by resignation of Justin Kriek.

## 8. CORRESPONDENCE

Thank you letter from Northern Wasco County Parks and Rec. regarding our participation at Monsters in the Park on Halloween.

## 9. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Resolution 2016-11: The District's plan is to finance the capital costs and improvements associated with the training tower project. Three different financing options were presented, with the most favorable being from Zion's Bank.

**MOTION:** Director Miles moved to adopt Resolution 2016-11 "A Resolution of Mid-Columbia Fire & Rescue, Wasco County, Oregon Authorizing the Execution and Delivery of One or More Lease Purchase, loan or Similar Financing Agreements" with the Zions Bank proposal. Director Ashmore seconded. The motion passed with Miles, Ashmore, Dodge and Willer voting yes.

## 10. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Resolution 2016-10: Unanticipated Grant proceeds have been received so a Supplemental Budget has been prepared to accommodate the spending of these funds.

**MOTION:** Director Ashmore moved to adopt Resolution 2016-10 "A Resolution Adopting a Supplemental Budget and Appropriations". Director Dodge seconded. The motion passed with Miles, Ashmore, Dodge and Willer voting yes.

## 11. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- a. 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 6:38 p.m.

The executive session ended and the regular board meeting reconvened at 6:48 p.m.

## 12. RECONVENE TO REGULAR MEETING

- a. Consideration of IAFF Local 1308 CBA Ratification:


**MOTION:** Director Miles moved to ratify the collective bargaining agreement between Mid-Columbia Fire and Rescue and Mid-Columbia Firefighters Local 1308 dated October 2016. Director Ashmore seconded. The motion passed with Miles, Ashmore, Dodge, and Willer voting yes.

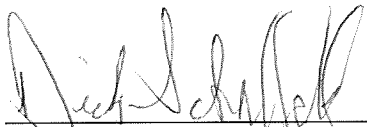
**13. GOOD OF THE ORDER**

- a. Board Member Coats
- b. Chief Palmer requested to move the December 19<sup>th</sup> meeting to December 12<sup>th</sup>. The Board concurred to move the meeting.
- c. Christmas dinner. The Board recommended to have the dinner at the Bent River restaurant. Chief Palmer will make the dinner arrangements.
- d. Brief discussion regarding the bond measure relative to how the levied amount compares to the tax impact of both the current station bond and the new equipment and facilities bond. Davide Ulbricht with SDAO will draft a fact sheet to this effect to clarify how the levy amount compares to the tax impact.
- e. Director Dodge addressed the Christmas Basket giveaway program she is proposing for the Board, Staff, and each of the duty shifts to participate in.

**14. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by motion at 7:08 p.m.

  
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Board President

  
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Secretary / Treasurer