

COLESTIN RURAL FIRE DISTRICT

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING - October 13, 2020

PRESENT: Tod Davies, Brian Dwyer, Peggy Moore, Teri Thomas, Michelle Rooker, Steve Avgeris.

ABSENT: None

Also attending: Oregon State Fire Marshall Deputy Chief Mariana Ruiz-Temple.

The meeting came to order at 6:02 pm through Zoom. A quorum was established. Peggy requested that the item of the Josephine county grant be added to the agenda.

SPECIAL AWARD

Deputy Chief Ruiz-Temple presented Chief Steve Avgeris with the Golden Sparky Award for his dedication and service to the fire service in Oregon. Steve was nominated by the Board for this special award, given to one individual each year for his/her service to the fire service. It is very competitive and Steve's selection is quite an honor. Once the other individuals who received recognition for their contributions are formally announced, the Fire Marshall's office will publically announce Steve's selection and this will be publicized state wide and locally.

MINUTES

it was M/S/P (Davies/Rooker) to approve the minutes of the September meeting as distributed.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Teri provided the financial materials prior to the meeting. She reported that she had to submit a document to the Secretary of State by Sept. 30th which she did. Since the reimbursement stipend checks to the firefighters went out after the close of this fiscal year (June 30th) they appear on the July report.

UPDATE ON THE PROPERTY

Brian reported that until we get some significant rain, he won't be working further on the property. He mentioned that due to the fires in Talent and Phoenix, finding available trailers to haul debris from the property will be difficult.

CHIEF'S REPORT

Steve reported that he received 10 calls since the last meeting: 5 medical, 2 vehicle accidents, 1 vegetation fire and 2 TC's (traffic).

We are in Moderate conditions and Steve suspects it won't go down from here until we are out of fire season. Peggy reported that Betsy has posted the kiosks with the updated restrictions.

Steve spoke to Cal Fire and the model 14 trucks will be available through sales this year. They have not determined a date but they will be unloading several engines.

Steve re-tested 44-13 and it failed the pump test again.

Kirby Rooker will be helping Steve take apart the pump. On the off chance that there are things stuck in there, that is the first step. Some parts may be able to be reused. Steve is exploring with a professional, the potential of using parts and rebuilding the pump.

The first step is to assess what the status really is of the current pump. Steve would be uncomfortable selling it to anyone in this condition.

52-11 will come out of Hilt and be the first engine out until 44-13 or the new/used engine is here and operable.

There is \$ 14,000 in the budget this year for vehicle repair.

After discussion, the Board agreed to have Steve and Kirby do a thorough analysis of the status of the pump and let the Board know the options and approximate costs prior to the next Board meeting.

PIO REPORT

Tod reported that the PIO phone does not handle texts when Tod is at the coast. The phone will either need to go to someone else when Tod is at the coast or we need to find a person to take over the notification duties of the PIO. Tod will talk to the volunteers who are involved in the communication duties and see if someone could assume that task.

JOSEPHINE COUNTY GRANT

Steve shared with the Board the proposal from Frank Alt for the match money we've applied for and received for the past two years. Steve will contact Frank to see if they would pay for repairs with the grant money.

The proposal is the same as this past year. We put up \$10,000 and they give us \$ 10,000. CRFD is one of only two agencies that have complied with the reporting requirements attached to the grant.

This will be on the agenda for action at the November meeting.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be on Tuesday, November 10th at 6:00 through ZOOM. Thanks to Tod for always arranging for our Zoom experience.

There being no further business it was M/S/P (Thomas/Davies) to adjourn at 6:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy A. Moore