# **Jackson County Fire District 3**

Minutes - Board of Directors September 20, 2018 at 5:15 PM, Crater Lake Room, Administrative Building

# **ATTENDANCE**

Board Present: Directors Harvey Tonn, John Dimick, Steve Shafer, Cindy Hauser, and Bill Leavens

**Board Absent:** None

Staff Present: Robert Horton, Mike Hussey, Stacy Maxwell, Dave Blakely, John Patterson, and

Margie Calvert
Staff Absent: None

Visitors Present: Taneea Browning, Lorin Myers, Amber Patterson, Jason Allen, and Myron

Harvey

President Tonn called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m. pursuant to ORS 192.640 and as advertised in the Mail Tribune dated September 13, 2018.

#### **MINUTES**

Motion by Director Dimick to approve the Board minutes of the August 16, 2018 meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

# **FINANCIAL REVIEW**

Revenue for the month of August totaled \$246,994. Reimbursement came from the California conflagrations and a special distribution of tax funds from foreclosed properties.

Total expenditures for the month of August totaled \$1,072, 521. Accounts Payable expenditures totaled \$293,300. Noteworthy expenditures were the in the Capital Fund to Jackson County Developmental Services fees for the RCC Educational Facility.

Motion by Director Shafer to approve the Accounts Payable and the Revenue/Expenditure reports for August 2018. Motion carried unanimously.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Chaplain Lorin Myers thanked Chief Horton, Deputy Chief Hussey, and Division Chief Blakely for allowing him to attend the Fire Chaplains National conference in Fort Worth, Texas consisting of 30 hours of training. Myers has been the Chaplain for the District for 10 years. President Tonn thanked Chaplain Myers for all that he does for the District.

#### **INFORMATION ITEMS**

#### **EXECUTIVE REPORT**

Fire Chief Horton shared the Ramsey Fire Executive Summary.

Horton shared that the District has given a letter of support to Jackson County Soil along with other agencies for a \$30,000 grant. With the approval of the grant, Jackson County Soil has secured over \$60,000 of grant funding for the fuels reduction along the Greenway.

Horton shared information about FirstNet, the governor has elected for the fire service to be a part of and supported by the First Responders Network Authority. It establishes a bandwidth on the cellular spectrum dedicated to first responders, using ATT as the cellular vendor. Horton is the representative for the IAFC communications committee.

Horton shared that the District continues to have good dialogue with School District 6 in regards to the new road for the Scenic Avenue Station. SD6 will conduct a traffic study to determine the impact of traffic flow for the school.

## **OPERATIONS/SUPPORT SERVICES**

Deputy Chief Hussey shared that the Spec Committee is in the process of finalizing the Type I engines to be delivered at the end of November. The current fiscal budget has approved a Type 3 engine which the Spec Committee will look at this next year.

Hussey shared that a partner agency has received grant funding to continue with the Stop the Bleed Campaign, which places tools inside the schools during an active shooter situation. Funding will benefit school districts for Butte Falls, Prospect, Sams Valley, and Gold Hill. Central Point Police would like to participate and Asante is looking for ways to help diminish the cost of the kits. Hussey shared it is encouraging to have a working relationship with law enforcement.

Hussey gave a fire season recap as the District has been involved in multiple fires including the Ramsey and Hugo fires. We are still in fire season and long range forecast is continued dry weather. ODF 40,000 acres of their land in the Jackson and Josephine counties, 107 of those acres originated from lightening. Human caused fires have gone up 155% the last year burning 1,550 acres this past year.

#### FIRE AND LIFE SAFETY

Deputy Chief Patterson shared the August recap of the Fire and Life Safety Department. West Pine Terrace, located in Central Point, is now the ninth Firewise Community.

Patterson shared a Smoke Alarm campaign in White City will take place this weekend at the Thunderbird Mobile Home Park. The District is working with Red Cross and Charter Communications canvassing and installing smoke alarms.

Patterson shared there was an accidental apartment fire in a Central Point this past week.

#### **CONSRUCTION PROJECTS**

Deputy Chief Patterson shared that the RCC Educational Facility work is underway. Concrete will be poured soon.

Patterson shared that the seismic projects have begun with Adroit beginning work at the Central Point Station. In addition to the seismic projects, the Central Point and Eagle Point stations will have exhaust ventilation work completed.

Patterson shared that the Scenic Avenue Fire Station is moving forward with good discussions with School District 6 and other neighbors.

#### TRAINING AND SAFETY

Division Chief Blakely shared the Firefighter exam process had 75 applicants.

Blakely shared there was an After Action Review (AAR) for the Peninger Fire on August 27<sup>th</sup>. Ashland Fire Chief D'Orazi facilitated the AAR which was a global look at the fire with all agencies involved. There will be another AAR on September 26<sup>th</sup> for District crews discussing the tactical deployment and resources.

Blakely shared that he has attended the Central Oregon Safety and Health Association conference in Bend this past year. This conference is working on an exposure tracker for those crews who go to a fire.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

None

### **NEW BUSINESS**

# AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR ARCHITECT OF SCENIC AVENUE STATION

Deputy Chief Patterson shared the process of the request for proposal (RFP) for the Scenic Avenue Fire Station architectural and engineering contract. Fire Chief Horton provided the Board with a memo outlining the evaluation process supporting staff's recommendation to award the architectural and engineering services contract to Soderstrom Architects for the Scenic Avenue fire station for an amount not to exceed \$385,000.

Motion by Director Hauser to approve the recommendation to award Soderstrom Architects the architectural and engineering services contract for the Scenic Avenue fire station for an amount not to exceed \$385,000 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **REVIEW SDAO BEST PRACTICES CHECKLIST**

Board Director Hauser has agreed to review the SDAO Best Practices Checklist with Fire Chief Horton. Executive Assistant Calvert will schedule an appointment with Director Hauser and Chief Horton.

# **TOPICS FOLLOWING PREPARATION OF THE AGENDA**

None

## **GOOD OF THE ORDER**

None

# **INDIVIDUAL BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS**

John Dimick shared that a close friend had an epileptic seizure on September 11<sup>th</sup> and the family was thrilled with the care they received by the responding District crews.

Bill Leavens shared that he attended the SDAO session on the Cultural Drift and received good information.

#### ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 6:18 p.m. by Director Dimick. Motion carried unanimously.

Submitted by,

Margie Calvert
Margie Calvert, Scribe

APPROVED BY:

**Board of Directors** 

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