

Jackson County Fire District 3

Minutes - Board of Directors

January 17, 2019 at 4:15 PM, Crater Lake Room, Administrative Building

ATTENDANCE

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

Board Absent: Bill Leavens

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

Staff Absent: None

Visitors Present: Tanea Browning and Lorin Myers

President Tonn called the meeting to order at 4:18 p.m. pursuant to ORS 192.640 and as advertised in the Mail Tribune dated January 10, 2019.

MINUTES

Motion by Director Dimick to approve the regular Board minutes dated December 20, 2018. Motion carried unanimously.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Revenue for the month of December totaled \$157,919. A significant portion came from current property taxes and conflagration reimbursements. Chief Administrative Officer Maxwell explained the posting of the beginning fund balances and transfers resulting post audit.

Expenditures for the month of December totaled \$2,395,000. All accounts are around 50 percent, which is where the District wants to be six months into the fiscal year. All expenditures were routine in nature with the only significant expenditures coming from budgeted capital fund projects.

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

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

INFORMATION ITEMS

EXECUTIVE REPORT

Fire Chief Horton shared that District is proud to welcome Deputy Chief Justin Bates as our Deputy Chief of Strategic Services. Chief Bates comes from Medford Fire-Rescue after serving 21 years. A new organizational chart will come out in the near future.

Horton shared that the legislative season has begun and he will be attending the SDAO Legislative Day tomorrow in Salem. There are two bills that the Oregon Fire Chiefs Association (OFCA) is involved in; the awarding of the ambulance service areas (ASA) in which the fire districts and municipalities would like to have a greater voice in how the ASA is awarded and marketing materials from private ambulance transport services that are directing patrons not to call 911 for dispatch services.

Horton shared a data memo from ECSO; this information will also be in their Annual Report. District data analysis was also explained.

Horton shared that one of the topics for the SDAO Best Practices was facility security. The District was awarded a \$5,000 matching grant to enhance and improve our facilities security to a card swipe entry system. The District has budgeted monies toward this endeavor and anticipates upgrading all facilities within the next 2-3 years to a secure entry system.

Horton shared that the District is currently working on the Annual Report and will present to the city councils in March.

Horton shared that with the Boards support he was selected to attend the Fire Service Executive Development Institute (FSEDI) next week. 20 applicants out of 100 have been selected to attend the institute in Washington D.C.

Horton reminded the Board that special elections take place in May. Three of the Directors are up for re-election this year. Director Tonn, Dimick, and Leavens terms are up for election this year. Executive Assistant Calvert has given those Directors the information and will email a pdf-fillable election form.

OPERATIONS/SUPPORT SERVICES

Deputy Chief Hussey shared that PulsePoint was initiated under Deputy Chief Patterson and the District recently introduced the Verified Responder program which allows verified off-duty members who have requested to participate, to receive notification of a cardiac event in a private residence and respond. The District has 11 members who have signed up and have responded to two private events.

Hussey shared that all local law enforcement have engaged with the area Fire Districts to develop a single coordinated response to all active shooter hostile events. (ASHER). There will be training in the future involving all agencies.

Hussey shared that with the nice weather the District is experiencing some escaped fires from controlled burns due to wind. Although the fires are not a large threat, they are difficult to extinguish.

FIRE AND LIFE SAFETY

Deputy Chief Patterson shared that the District is working on the newsletter to be delivered prior to March 1st with more information on the burn permit and regulations.

Patterson shared that CPR Anytime training has concluded, training over 660 seventh grade students hands only CPR. This is the sixth year of CPR Anytime, which means that all high school students in the Central Point and Eagle Point school districts have had CPR Anytime training.

Patterson shared that wildland urban interface residential codes have passed and should go into effect soon enhancing homes against wildfire hazards.

Patterson shared that next week the Rogue Valley chapter of the International Association of Arson Investigators (IAAI) will conduct their annual training at the White City training center and the Expo. Patterson thanked Division Chief Blakely for allowing the IAAI the use of the training center.

CONSRUCTION PROJECTS

Deputy Chief Patterson shared that the District had final inspections today and the Certificate of Occupancy was granted for the RCC/FD3 Fire Science Center. There will be a ribbon cutting ceremony February 5th at 2:00 pm. The name has been approved by the RCC Board of Education as RCC/FD3 Fire Science Center.

Patterson shared that the seismic rehabilitation projects are completed and the Scenic Avenue Station is in the design phase and the District is working with the City of Central Point for entry onto Scenic Avenue. The goal is to submit for permits and open bids for contractors in mid-March.

TRAINING AND SAFETY

Division Chief Blakely shared the RCC/FD3 ribbon cutting will be February 5, 2019 at 2:00 pm.

Blakely shared the District has been working on EMS recertification hours. Chief Blakely thanked IT Paul Rydings and Administrative Assistant Stephanie Cowan for their hard work.

Blakely shared that integrated paramedic training with Mercy Flights will take place next the two weeks for focused pediatric training.

OLD BUSINESS

NONE

NEW BUSINESS

NONE

TOPICS FOLLOWING PREPARATION OF THE AGENDA

NONE

GOOD OF THE ORDER

Chief Horton reminded the Board that the Appreciation Dinner is January 26th.

Chief Horton mentioned that the SDAO Conference will be at Sunriver is February 8-10, 2019.

Chief Horton mentioned the hard work that Deputy Chief Hussey has done to get all of the law and fire agencies in play for the ASHER program stating that it is a great deal of work and he is appreciative of his efforts.

Chief Horton shared a story from the staff at ECSO and Kevin Harris about Captain Lockwood and his crew on 7702 and DFM Murdock. After responding to a structure fire that was in actuality an oven fire during a birthday party for a child, the crew and DFM Murdock went to Abby's Pizza and purchased dinner for the child and family. The dispatchers at ECSO shared the situation recognizing that this is why they love Fire District 3.

INDIVIDUAL BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Steve Shafer commended Deputy Chief Hussey on the ASHER program.

Harvey Tonn commended Deputy Chief Patterson on the work for the RCC/FD3 Fire Science Center.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 5:08 p.m. by Director Dimick. Motion carried unanimously.

Submitted by,


Margie Calvert, Scribe

APPROVED BY:


Board of Directors