**Scappoose Rural Fire District**

BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING

Board Members and Required Staff met in-person at

Scappoose Fire District Main Station

Also held electronically via GoToMeeting and telephone call-in number

Thursday, April 8, 2021

**President Sorenson Called the meeting to Order at 7:01 pm**

**Flag Salute**

Present – Director Dave Sorenson, Director Mark Gift, Director Andy Krieck, Director Susan Reeves, Director David Graham, Staff - Fire Chief Jeff Pricher, Finance Director Alex Tardif

**Public Comment: None**

**“This is the time for public comment on agenda and non-agenda items. The Board will not**

**take any immediate action but will document all comments and/or concerns. Any further**

**action deemed appropriate will be taken promptly. We appreciate you keeping comments**

**to 3 minutes per individual or 5 minutes if you are representing a group of patrons. Please**

**note, personnel concerns will not be discussed in a public meeting. If you have any concerns**

**with personnel, please schedule a meeting with the Fire Chief or Board President.”**

**Consent Agenda:**

* Approve minutes from the March 11, 2021 Regular meeting
* Approve 3.31.20 Expense Account activity
* 3.31.20 Budget vs. Actual

**Director Graham moved to approve the consent agenda; Director Reeves Seconded – Director Sorenson asked a question on retirement helmets. These are paid from district but will be reimbursed from the volunteer account. Discussion ensued. The motion carried unanimously.**

**Statistical Data:**

* Ambulance Activity Report – 85 transports for the month. Discussion on refusals for transport. Director Graham asked what false alarms are. Chief Pricher responded on how this works, who are most frequent false alarms are, and how we are partnering to help lower the call volume. One option is to charge a fee for those who utilize false alarms and hit a certain call volume.
* Response Activity Report – Chief highlighted and explained the new report by zone that is in the packet this month. Discussion on the reports and how the board likes them, and the information presented on them. Director Sorenson asked about medic miles, pg 31. Discussion on ambulances and mileage ensued. The District will be buying only 4X4 vehicles from here on out. Director Gift asked about the reasoning for only buying 4X4 vehicles. Chief Pricher explained the reasoning for why these are better for our crew than the 4x2’s, especially in our remote rural areas.

**Staff Reports:**

* Chief’s Report – Director Sorenson asked about Holbrook station repairs. Discussion on quotes for Holbrook. Director Sorenson inquired about sidewalk. Chief Pricher explained it is a company that creates dashboards and provides analytics. Unless the board directs us to use them, we will stay with image trend. Director Gift provided feedback that the school district also has good data and The District should reach out for it. Director Sorenson asked how much if anything is left on the building remodel. Chief Pricher stated it is complete. Chief Pricher addressed the new Tenzinga platform for performance evaluations. Discussion on the value of performance reviews.
* Fire Marshal Report – Chief Pricher stated it was another busy month. Discussion on the drone and the required repairs. Discussion on how helpful these drones are for investigations and highlighted how they are a community asset. The District has 2 Drones. Director Gift asked who the new fire marshal for CRFR is. Discussion on how the Fire marshals work together and future collaborative opportunities. Director Gift stated that if we are going to do these reciprocal arrangements, we should charge half. All agreed.
* Operations Report – Director Sorenson asked about the new Rosenbauer engine. Chief Pricher explained that he, LT Anderson and DC Marks will all go to Spokane to inspect the engine and check out the maintenance facility. Director Krieck asked about the status of the moorage. There was discussion on the new hire probationary FF. Director Krieck asked about the vacancy in the NIFF program. No decision has been made as to how or when this position will be filled. Director Gift asked about the 3-telemetry program. These were purchased with funds from Dyno. Discussion ensued on how these work and what value they provide to the community.
* Training Report – Director Sorenson enquired about the new volunteer.
* Financial Report – Discussion on budget. Discussion on IT budget.

**Old Business:**

1. Lexipol Update and suspension of certain policies – Briefing on the meeting with staff and the policy’s that where suspended. Chief Pricher Asked the board to review and provide guidance on how they want us to move forward. **Director Graham moved to accept edits and suspended policies as presented, Director Gift Seconded. Discussion – A BIG Thank you from the board to Chief Pricher for his hard work on these policies. A BIG Thank you to Cade Greenup for all his hard work and dedication to completing this task. Motion passed unanimously.**

**Committee Reports:**

* Management Team – discussion on financials
* Long Range Planning Committee – no update
* Awards & Incentives – no updates

**Miscellaneous:**

**New Business:**

1. Possible Surplus items – Discussion of the flatbed surplus Options – 1) put it on gov deals, 2) Store it at station until we can purchase a new chassis. Chief Pricher recommends we surplus it. **Director Graham moved to surplus the flatbed for a minimum bid of 3k, Director Krieck seconded. Motion carried unanimously.**
2. FY 21/22 Budget Update –Board suggested that David Grant and Sandy Newman be contact to join the budget committee.
3. Executive Session – the Board of Directors entered executive session under ORS 199.620 (2)(d) at 9.00 pm. The board came out of executive session at 9:25 with no action taken.

**Good of the Order**

Chief Pricher would like to thank the team for all their hard work and dedication to the fire district. Our team has been working hard putting new systems in place. He highlighted Marias trip to Maryland for the PIO course and her next trip for the fire starter program. He highlighted Chief Marks opportunity to train at the national academy. Director Graham expressed his gratitude for every one’s hard work. The Board echoed his thanks.

Director Sorenson asked about Shelly’s retirement at the end of the month. Succession planning was discussed.

**At 9:36 pm the Meeting adjourned.**

Director Krieck moved to adjourn the meeting, Director Reeves seconded, the motion carried unanimously.

Pursuant to ORS 192.640(1), the Board of Directors for the Scappoose Fire District reserves the right to consider and discuss, in either open session or Executive Session, additional subjects which may arise after the agenda is published.