



SCAPPOOSE FIRE DISTRICT

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REGULAR MEETING OF THE SCAPPOOSE RURAL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS, THURSDAY, AUGUST 8, 2019, SCAPPOOSE FIRE STATION, SCAPPOOSE, OREGON.

ATTENDANCE: Board members: D. Grant, D. Graham, A. Kriek and D. Sorenson

ALSO PRESENT: Fire Chief M. Greisen, D/C J.Marks, D/C J.Pricher, D/C E. Holsey, D/C E.Smythe, D/C J.Pricher and J. Salisbury

AUDIENCE: Lt. S.Nielson, Lt. B.Heuer, J.Motherway, and K. Niles (CRFR Board).

CALL TO ORDER: President Graham called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the flag salute.

CONSENT AGENDA: President Graham opened discussion on the consent agenda items. Mr. Sorenson moved and Mr. Grant seconded approval of the consent agenda. Mr. Sorenson asked whether the chief interview expenses were being shared with CRFR. Chief Greisen said that those costs would be shared.

The motion to approve the consent agenda carried unanimously.

CHIEFS' REPORTS:

Fire Chief Report. Matrix Consulting Group is coming August 27- 29, 2019 and will meet with all Board members and Chief Officers.

The Volunteer Pancake Feed was very successful. The lines were so long that some people left because they didn't want to wait. Over 1300 people were served and \$12,000 raised.

Training Chief Report. Volunteer and career staff are being trained in the old middle school before it is demolished.

Safety/Resource Chief Report. Scappoose Station parking lot has been seal-coated. Chapman will be done Friday, August 9, 2019 so that it is ready for the Open House on Sunday. The organization chart is for B shift, because Chief O'Connor oversees that shift. Training on MS365 was completed and Chief O'Connor will request a follow-up training for those who missed it in July or have additional questions.

Fire Marshal Report. 18 buildings are going in behind the new Legacy building in St. Helens. These buildings will house 220-230 units with the 18th building designated a community building.

Chief Pricher answered questions about a regional grant application that will develop an aviation program for the 5-county region. The grant will include training standards and procedures resulting in an FAA Certificate of Authorization that will allow special procedures for flights. This technology is used by many entities within the 5-county region. The money is expected to be released this fall. The Request for Proposals is now in the planning stage.

Chief Pricher relayed information about his recent conflagration in Alaska. He started in Fairbanks and finished in Talkeetna. His crew was managing two different fires while there.

Operations Chief Report . CRFR calls have plateaued, largely thanks to the Community Paramedic program. She has reduced the number of repeat calls by the same people. This is the third year of the program, and the grant funds have ended. The insurance companies are interested in helping pay for this because it saves them money in hospital visits.

Volunteer Recruitment Coord. The Chapman Open House was posted on Facebook and a mailing was sent to the community.

Miscellaneous. Chief Greisen explained that the District will lose about \$30,000 in the approved urban renewal district. He requested that the Board sign a letter opposing it. All of the City Council members support the urban renewal district. The county will lose money. Mr. Grant moved and Mr. Sorenson seconded the plan to send a letter to the City opposing the urban renewal district.

The motion for the Board to collectively sign a letter to the City Council opposing the urban renewal district passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

- A. Awards & Incentives Committee – No meeting.
- B. Management Team Committee – An EMS hardship request was discussed and more information was requested. This will probably come before the board at the next meeting.
- C. Planning Committee – No meeting. Mr. Kreick requested a meeting before Chief Hoke starts to establish the status of the strategic plan.
- D. Oversight Committee The Committee needs to meet before September to discuss a letter received and also the new Fire Chief's contract. Mr. Sorenson is out of town 9/1 – 9/18/2019. Mr. Cairns returns August 19th. The next regular meeting of the Oversight Committee is Monday, August 26th. Mr. Sorenson said that Chief Hoke wants to find a home equidistant between the Scappoose and CRFR main stations. He has told George Dunkel that the residency requirement in Scappoose board policy is negotiable. Chief Greisen suggested August 21 or 22 as a possible meeting date for the Oversight Committee. He will contact those involved.

NEW BUSINESS: None

AUDIENCE: None.

GOOD OF THE ORDER: The board reviewed a thank you note. President Graham expressed appreciation for the District transport of a family member.

ADJOURNMENT: President Graham adjourned the meeting at 7:52 p.m.

Signed this 12th day of September, 2019.



David Graham, President



Ron Cairns, Vice President