

**Scappoose Rural Fire District**  
**Board of Directors Regular Meeting**  
**Thursday, February 9, 2023**

Microsoft Teams meeting

**In attendance:** President Reeves, Vice-President Gift, Director Sorenson, Director Graham, Director Kriek, Chief Pricher, Lt. Heuer, FF Gandara, FF Kriek, FF Bernier, David Grant, Aaron Schrotzberger, FA Heath. One member of the community attended virtually.

- I. **Call to Order & Flag Salute:** President Reeves called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:05 pm.
- II. **Public Comment:** No comment
- III. **Consent Agenda Discussion:**
  - A. Minutes from 1-12-2023 regular meeting: No questions/comments.
  - B. January 2023 Profit & Loss Detail: Directors asked for clarification on expenses.
  - C. January 2023 Budget vs. Actual: No questions from directors.

Director Graham moved to approve the consent agenda. Director Gift seconded.

**Motion carried unanimously.**

- IV. **Statistical Data Discussion:**
  - A. Ambulance Activity Report: Directors commented on the busy month.
  - B. Response Activity Report: Director Graham asked if February is starting as busy as January. Chief Pricher said February was starting slower.
  - C. UAS Flight Summary: Chief Pricher described some of January's flights.
- V. **Staff Reports**
  - A. **Chief's Report:** Chief Pricher spoke about a survey currently active on the City of Scappoose's website. The purpose of the survey is information gathering for the fire district and results will be shared in the 2022 Annual Report.  
Chief Pricher was asked about meetings he had in January regarding UAS legislation.
  - B. **Operations Report:** The roof on Chapman is somewhat mitigated, but the roof will need to be replaced.  
FB43 electronics update was provided by Chief Pricher.

- C. **EMS Operations Report:** Director Gift asked if we are making progress with the ASA project. Chief Pricher, speaking for Chief Marks, said some agencies' participation has been hindered by external factors.
- D. **Fire Marshal & Training Report:** No questions.
- E. **Member Outreach/Battalion Aide Report:** Director Gift asked if background checks had been completed on the new recruits.
- F. **Finance Report:** Director Sorenson commented on the language of a sentence in the finance report that may be misleading to the to the public. To clarify, the sentence should read: We have received 98.4% of the budgeted 90% of the current year tax collections.

## VI. **Old Business**

- A. **Major Budget Item Discussion** – Director Gift asked about prioritized list of major budget items and if there may be supply chain issues on some items. President Reeves asked about costs for the squad and command vehicle replacements. Specifically, she asked if the \$100,000 expected costs included all the materials that need to go into the vehicles. Chief Pricher said the numbers in the staff report were estimates and at this point, act more as a placeholder for budget development. The board and audience discussed hose purchases, schedule of replacement, and how and if old hose will be given to neighboring agencies that may need hose.
- B. **Lexipol Policy Updates:** The board reviewed changes to the policies included in the Feb. 2023 packet. Explanation of the changes were given by Chief Pricher. Director Gift moved to accept changes to policies 103, 1232, 410, 209, and 210 as stated and written. Director Sorenson seconded the motion.  
**The motion passed unanimously.**

## VII. **Committee Reports**

- A. **Management Team:** This committee met prior to the board meeting. An upcoming military deployment may affect staffing in the spring.
- B. **Long Range Planning Committee:** No update.
- C. **Awards & Incentives:** This committee met. An awards banquet is in the planning. Exact dates and details will be forthcoming.

## VIII. **Miscellaneous:** Nothing to report.

## IX. **New Business**

- a. DeDrone UAS Detection Purchase Proposal (RDPO Pass Through): Chief Pricher described the grant to the board. SRFD is working on this project on behalf of the RDPO Law Enforcement work group. Directors asked questions on the purchases of the antennas and how the purchase may benefit the district at some point. The money for the purchase will be reimbursed to the district.

Director Sorenson moved to approve the \$50,000 pass-through grant and authorize Chief Pricher to expend the funds for the DeDrone project. Director Graham seconded the motion.

**Motion passed unanimously.**

- b. Global UAS solutions contract proposal (RDPO Pass-Through): This is a continuation of the grant project from 2018 with RDPO. This is a training grant that is a pass-through grant. This is a sole-source purchase as this is the only contractor in the country authorized to teach this class.

SRFD will be responsible for hosting the training this grant supports.

Director Graham moved to authorize staff to contract with Global UAS, a sole-source provider, for the \$75,000 training grant. Director Sorenson seconded.

**Motion passed unanimously.**

- X. **Good of the Order:** Question regarding whether a new budget committee member has been identified. We would like to fill it by March 9, 2023.
- XI. **Adjourn:** Director Graham motioned to adjourn. Director Gift seconded. President Reeves adjourned the meeting at 8:33 pm.

**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.**

  
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Susan Reeves, Board President

  
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Submitted by Maria Heath