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MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS' REGULAR MEETING  
OF SEPTEMBER 12, 2022

**Call to Order:** President Katherine Guenther at 10:32 AM called the meeting to order.

**Quorum:** It was determined that a quorum was present.

**Attendance:** Those present: Directors – Katherine Guenther, Betty Johnston, and Ed Hallahan; Shelby Knife, Assistant to District Administrator; District Administrator and Fire Chief, Frankie Petrick. Not in attendance – Don Tucker and Drew Tracy.

**Agenda changes or additions:** None.

**Guests:** Quinton Smith and Alex Cox.

**Public Input:** None

**Minutes:** The minutes of the August 22<sup>nd</sup> Regular Meeting were approved as presented.

**Liaison Report:** Alex Cox is the new liaison for the City of Yachats. He replaces long time Liaison, Bob Bennett. Alex reported that City of Yachats is still interested in placing a connex on YRFPD property for disaster preparedness.

**Correspondence:** None received.

**Equipment Maintenance:** No problems noted. Hose testing was completed with only 1 section having to be retired.

**Training Team Report:** The PHTLS (Pre-Hospital Trauma Life Support) training that was on September 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> was well attended. We had 18 students taking the class. “Patients” and State EMS Commission members brought the total attending to about 27. The training provided 16 hours of recertification for our crew as well. We had very good reviews about the quality of the training and the hospitality of YRFPD.

**Activity Report:** The August activity report is attached to these minutes.

**District Administrator/Fire Chief Report:** National Weather Service declared a Red Flag warning for September 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> due to the extreme heat. We alerted our patrons with a web page and Facebook posting, contacted each pit permit holder of record and added an extra person on staff (thanks to the Wildfire Funding from State Fire Marshall’s office).

Petrick reported that we made our first draw on our new line of credit with Oregon Coast Bank. That amount was \$60,000. President Guenther remarked that this draw was originally expected to be needed in June. She thanked administrative staff for their diligence to keep us to a bare bones budget.

Petrick reported that we hired a Paramedic/Firefighter this week to fill an open position.

**Old Business:** None presented.

**Ongoing Business:** Director Hallahan headed a discussion concerning how best to get information to the voters for the upcoming November election (Measure 21-214). We have submitted all necessary paperwork to Lincoln County Clerk, and we now must work diligently to remind the voters the importance of a “yes” vote. Director Hallahan asked for some commitments from Board Members. The list: Lions Club & flyers at Southwest Lincoln Water (Hallahan), Ladies Club & Chamber of Commerce (Johnston), and walk around at Yachats Sunday Market (Guenther). Other suggestions to consider: Flyer at Ray’s Food Place, letter to editor of News Times, form a Political Action Committee, walk around at Waldport Wednesday Market and other businesses in Waldport. Bring more ideas to the next meeting.

**New Business:** Director Hallahan, District Administrator Petrick and Assistant to District Administrator Knife had the annual discussion about what rating Moody’s report would be giving this year. Due to the failure of the levy last November Moody’s dropped our rating. Our rating will improve with the passage of the upcoming November election.

**Disbursements:** The bills were reviewed. Director Johnston moved to pay the bills. Director Hallahan seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

**Adjournment:** As there was no further business the meeting was adjourned at 11:27 AM. The next regular meeting will be held at 10:30 AM on September 26<sup>th</sup>.

Minutes written and prepared by \_\_\_\_\_.  
Frankie Petrick

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Director

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Director