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MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS' REGULAR MEETING
OF JULY 11, 2022

Call to Order: Vice President Betty Johnston 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, Drew Tracy and Ed Hallahan; Shelby Knife, Assistant to District Administrator; District Administrator and Fire Chief, Frankie Petrick. Director Don Tucker was absent.

Election of Officers: President Guenther opened the election of officers. Director Hallahan moved to retain the current slate of officers. Director Tracy seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Agenda changes or additions: None.

Guests: Alex Cox and Linn West from Yachats Public Works Commission.

Public Input: None

Minutes: The minutes of the June 27th Public hearing & Regular Meeting were approved as presented.

Liaison Report: Bob Bennett wanted to thank us for getting the “assembly” signage up. He is resigning from the preparedness committee for personal reasons and it was nice we got the sign up for his last meeting. He has been a very active committee member and we will miss working with him. Hopefully a new liaison will be appointed by the City of Yachats in the near future.

Correspondence: SDAO sent out their summer management review and Director Hallahan wanted to bring to the Board’s attention the upcoming regional training that will be Newport on August 30th. These trainings are always very informative and it is hoped that some Board members may be able to attend.

Equipment Maintenance: Unit 15 is very close to being able to take the first engine out spot in our lineup of apparatus. It participated in the La De Da parade on the 4th of July. A lot of “hooray’s” and “thanks for your service” were sent our way.

Training Team Report: Mo Larmi, training specialist, reported crews have been training on various assigned subjects during shifts. They always make a habit of joining our partners to the north in drilling when we can.

Additionally, the department has access once again to "IFSTA resource one" online training center. It makes a portion of training classes easier to assign and grade. They provide "power points" quizzes, tests, and other study material for specific training subjects.

Central Coast Fire and Rescue has invited Yachats to participate in some "surface water, swift water and surf rescue" classes and/ or certifications that they will be hosting. This might lead to a resurgence of the SIRS (South Interagency Rescue Squad). YRFPD currently does not have a water rescue "team". We had volunteers in the past that responded as a volunteer for COCF&RD. We do have a protocol for calls near or in water. We plan to update training for an event similar to the water rescue at Patterson Park approximately ten days ago. We do not currently have enough personal to have a true water rescue team.

Activity Report: Attached to these minutes. Knife advised all that PWA changed the way they are doing "move up" calls so we will be seeing less of those on our activity sheet.

District Administrator/Fire Chief Report: Petrick reported about the water rescue on June 16th. A call came in about two youths in the water at Patterson State Park (which is in our fire district) the rescue included several agencies participation and those two youths are very lucky that several people entered the water to rescue them, including Paramedic/FF Mo Larmi. An outstanding rescue and a "job well done" for our crew.

Old Business: None presented.

Ongoing Business: Director Johnston reminded the Board that Petrick is closing yard debris burning on July 10th evening at dusk. Petrick explained that we are still issuing "s'mores" permits for residents in our fire district. Those are annual permits and will be able to be used unless we have a "red flag" warning from NOAA. The beaches in Oregon are open to warming & cooking fires so we will see some of those during the summer. They are sometimes left unattended and we respond to extinguish those. They can be closed by State Parks if fire danger gets too high.

The Directors watched the third in a series of SDAO board trainings called Boardmanship 301. It was presented by George Dunkel with Special Districts Association of Oregon. The fourth part will be on July 25th.

New Business: Petrick discussed the need to adjust accounts at the end of the year. Director Hallahan moved to adjust the following accounts: Decrease 922 (radio communications) by \$2,000 and 925 (utilities) by \$1,000 and 926 (fuel oil & lube) by \$3,700 and 928 (building maint.) by \$5,700 and 934 (legal) by \$8,000 and 947 (grant) by \$10,000 and 983 (hose replacement) by \$1,400.

Increase 981 (equipment) by \$1,400 and 944B (employee response gear) by \$600 and 938 (advertising) by \$100 and 936 (election) by \$400 and 927 (equip maint.) by \$8,700 and 924 (office) by \$300 and 913 (vol benefits) by \$2,300. Director Johnston seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

President Guenther called for any comments about the Meeting Notice requirement. None received. Director Johnston moved to adopt Resolution 2022-002 Meeting Notice Requirement as presented. Director Hallahan seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Director Hallahan reminded the Board that the LOT measure must be sent to the county before August 19th. After that time a Political Action Committee can be formed to pay for materials (yard signs, etc.) to encourage electors to vote yes. An individual Board member may also have a page in the voters' pamphlet to encourage a yes vote.

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 11:35 AM. The next regular meeting will be held at 10:30 AM on July 25th.

Minutes written and prepared by _____.
Frankie Petrick

Director

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