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MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS' REGULAR MEETING
OF AUGUST 28, 2023

Call to Order: President Katherine Guenther at 10:31 AM called the meeting to order.

Quorum: It was determined that a quorum was present.

Attendance: Those present: Directors – Katherine Guenther, Drew Tracy, Donald Tucker and Ed Hallahan; Shelby Knife, Assistant to District Administrator; District Administrator and Fire Chief, Frankie Petrick. Those absent: Director Betty Johnston.

Agenda changes or additions: None.

Guests: Garret Jaros (Yachats News).

Public Input: None.

Minutes: The minutes of the August 14th Regular Meeting were approved as presented.

Liaison Report: Alex Cox reported that the City of Yachats preparedness group made up 150 “go bags” to put in the connex. They will be installing a dehumidifier in the near future and they would like us to help with drilling through the container for the electric and drain as well as mounting the key-lock system on the building.

Correspondence: We received a very nice “thank you” note from a district patron for the care that was given by our crew. Petrick shared the “thank you” with the crew.

Equipment Maintenance: Unit 10 is still at All Start Electric for repairs. We are awaiting a price for a new unit and hope to know more later this week.

Training Team Report: There is a fire academy for new firefighters that is just starting in Lincoln County and this week-end the subject was Ropes and Ladders. Firefighter/Paramedic Larmi, Firefighter/First Responder Stephens, and Firefighter Bartling (COCF&RD personnel) were the course instructors. No one new from our agency, but the twenty folks in the class will be a good addition to Lincoln County.

Old Business: None discussed.

District Administrator/Fire Chief Report: Petrick informed the board we sent a firefighter and a brush truck on conflagration to the Tyee Complex Fire.

We have not heard anymore from the group in the Tenmile Area about annexation, but there are a few folks that are planning to put in a standpipe for future use. That will be a big help to be able to quickly refill an engine. To date we have not heard about the potential size of a district. Petrick asked the board to think about questions they might have if the Tenmile

annexation request is submitted to the District.

Petrick requested a loan from Oregon Coast Bank according to our budget. The paperwork was completed and signed by Secretary/Treasurer Hallahan and Broad President Guenther. This loan will be used until we receive money in November. As we receive payments from the county, we will repay the loan that is due in full before December 31,2023. This should be the last time we need to request an operating loan.

Our crew was dispatched to a small wildland fire this morning about 7:00. We responded with an engine and the tender. The ten-foot-high flames were knocked down quickly and fire was turned over to US forest Service upon their arrival on scene. Fire was on USFS road 5530 south of Yachats.

New Business: Bank of the West is merging with BMO. They sent a notification of account fees. It appears the District will be incurring more fees than we are paying now. Petrick would like to invite a representative down to discuss fees at a board meeting. She will try for September 11th.

Ongoing Business: The board discussed the Explanatory Statement and Director Tucker moved to submit the reworked Explanatory Statement dated August 28th to the Lincoln County Clerk. Director Hallahan seconded. Motion carried unanimously. A copy is attached to these minutes.

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

Adjournment: As there was no further business the meeting was adjourned at 11:24 AM. The next regular meeting will be held at 10:30 AM on September 11, 2023.

Minutes written and prepared by _____.
Frankie Petrick

Director

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