Scappoose Rural Fire District Board of Directors Regular Meeting Thursday, October 10, 2024

Microsoft Teams meeting

Call to Order & Flag Salute – President Reeves called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm and led the flag salute.

Roll Call – President Reeves, Vice President Graham, Director Krieck, Director Sorenson, Chief Pricher, Asst. Chief Marks, Lt. DuBois, FF Booth, FF Cardoos, FF Zimbrick, ERT Curio, FA Heath, Henry Heimuller, Board Member from Columbia 9-1-1 Communications District, and James Adkins, Levy Communications Support for Columbia 9-11 Communications District.

Director Gift had an excused absence.

Public Comment – No public comment.

Miscellaneous

Presentation by Columbia 9-1-1 Communications District – James Adkins presented information related to the upcoming election in which C911CD is on the ballot. Both Mr. Adkins and Henry Heimuller answered questions related to the presentation.

Consent Agenda

Approve Minutes from 9-12-2024 regular meeting – No public comment.

Approve Sept. 2024 Profit & Loss Detail – Director Sorenson noted the GEMT revenue and asked about the time period covered by the revenue. FA Heath explained that revenue was a Fee For Service FY2022-23 payment. Director Sorenson asked if the conflagration revenue covered all conflagration revenue we expect this year. Chief Pricher explained that it was not. We still expect revenue from the federal government and Oregon state for conflagrations we attended this year.

Director Krieck asked which position the SAFER grant referred to. Chief Pricher stated that it was for our Recruitment & Retention employee.

Director Sorenson asked about the payment to Government Ethics Commission. FA Heath explained that it is an annual fee required by the state. Director Sorenson asked what JAMF expenses relate to. Chief Pricher explained that all of the District's Apple devices are managed by JAMF.

Approve Sept. 2024 Budget vs. Actual – No comments from the Board. Chief Pricher told the Board that a close eye is being kept on vehicle maintenance.

Director Graham moved to approve the consent agenda. Director Krieck seconded the motion.

Motion passed unanimously.

Statistical Data

- Ambulance Activity Report Director Graham noted that it was a big month for transports.
- Community Paramedic Report Director Sorenson noted the abundance of information in this report. Director Krieck asked if the second community paramedic position is still open, and about the prospects of filling the position in the near future.
- Response Activity Report Chief Pricher pointed out that there was only 1 day with 3 incidents. All other days in September had 5 or more incidents. 47% of the calls in September were overlapping calls.
- UAS Flight Summary Lt. DuBois spoke about the big water drill mentioned in this report, stating that SRFD worked with 6 other agencies during this drill.

Staff Reports

Chief's Report – Direct Krieck asked where the Whisky/Sandstone fire was located. Director Sorenson asked the Chief for an explanation on 'working with state senators/reps for legislative changes which is 'in progress' on the report. Chief Pricher explained recent communications he has had with our local Senator regarding Urban Renewal Districts. Director Sorenson asked if we'd received the Mile Hose Kit mentioned in the report.

Operations & EMS Report – Director Graham asked about the build time for a new ambulance. Asst. Chief Marks said the build time is between 530-580 days. Directors can expect a staff memo regarding a new ambulance purchase soon, which will include a 30% hike in price from our most recent ambulance purchase. Director Sorenson asked if the extractor and water damage had been mitigated. Chief Marks affirmed it had been completed.

Fire Marshal & Training Report – No comments from the board.

Member Outreach – Director Graham asked if the newest class of volunteers and been chosen. Chief Pricher said yes, ten firefighters and two logistics volunteers had been chosen as 2024 recruits.

Finance Report – No comments from the board.

Old Business

Policy Work Session – Oct. 16, 2024 – President Reeves reminded the board to review the policies and come with comments.

Review Board Committees

Committee Reports

Management Team – The Management Team met prior this meeting. Chief Pricher shared a new map of the District and updated the Board on skills learned while participating on assignment with NW12's Incident Management Team.

Long Range Planning Committee – Did not meet.

Awards & Incentives - Did not meet.

New Business

LifePak 35 Staff Memo – Chief Marks explained that 2 LifePak 15s are close to end-of-life. In FY24-25 we budgeted to replace 2 LifePaks at \$70,000. The cost of the replacements is more than anticipated, so the Board needs to decide if they would like to see a supplemental budget for additional appropriated funds or finance a portion of the new replacements and complete the payment in FY25-26, budgeting for the additional costs and interest payment at that time. Board members asked questions regarding specific add-ons included in the quote found on pages 61 & 62 of the board packet.

Director Sorenson moved to approve the purchase of 2 LifePak 35s with accessories at a not-to-exceed amount of \$108,000 in FY24-25. Director Krieck seconded.

The motion carried unanimously.

Communications – The Board reviewed a letter from Bob Shindelar, Incident Commander Complex Incident Management Team NW 12, thanking the Board, staff, and community for their patience during Chief Pricher's absences while working with NW12 team.

Two thank you cards from local children were shared.

Good of the Order - None

Adjourn – The Board adjourned to executive session Pursuant to ORS 192.660(2)(e), To conduct deliberations with persons you have designated to negotiate real property transactions, and ORS 192.660(2)(f) To consider information or records that are exempt from disclosure by law, including written advice from the District's attorney at 8:30. The Board returned to regular session at 8:41 pm.

Meeting adjourned at 8:41 pm.

Dave Sorenson, Secretary-Treasurer

November 14, 2024
Date

Submitted by Maria Heath