

CROOK COUNTY FIRE & RESCUE

The regular meeting of Crook County Fire & Rescue was called to order by Steve Lent at 9:00 am on November 15, 2018.

Board members present were Steve Lent, Dennis Bauldree and Dennis Merrill. Jim Dean attended the meeting by phone and Jerry Brummer were absent.

Staff present was Matt Smith, Russ Deboodt, Dave Pickhardt and Jerimiah Kenfield.

Guest present were Rod Street, Dale Pederson and George Ponte.

MINUTES

Dennis Merrill made a motion to approve the minutes from October 18, 2018. Dennis Bauldree seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

Audit-Matt Smith informed the Board that we received a draft of the audit. The new auditor will present the audit to the Board at the January meeting. The audit went very well and will be on time.

NEW BUSINESS

Deployment Plan- Matt Smith stated that we added three new Firefighter/Paramedics in August. There are now six per shift. Two career in Powell Butte and four at downtown station. If we fall below four at station 1201, then station 1202 comes down to help run calls. Steve Lent asked about staffing Juniper Canyon Station. Matt stated there are four students living at station 1203. We are working on staffing the station with career employees. The part time person now works at station 1201.

Matt informed the Board of the apparatus at each station. The new structure engine will be in service soon. The new ambulance arrived and we will be working on getting it into service.

Surplus Equipment-Matt Smith stated we have the two brush engines that we need to surplus. Matt recommended that we put them on Gov Deals.com. We have had success there before selling surplus equipment. The Board discussed the options for the brush engines.

Dennis Bauldree made a motion that the two white brush engines be put on Govdeals.com to be sold. Dennis Merrill seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA

Dennis Merrill made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Dennis Bauldree seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Rod Street asked about the staffing at Crook County Fire & Rescue. He stated that the District is has six paid chiefs. Matt Smith stated that the new Deputy Chief Dave Pickhardt is only half time. And Mike Wright is a part time/volunteer chief. Matt stated this is the industry standard.

Rod asked why did Crook County have more Chiefs than Bend or Redmond. Chief Pickhardt stated that Bend had at least ten chiefs and Redmond had eight chiefs. Matt stated that everyone is different in how they staff their departments. Matt stated that he would be happy to sit down with Rod and explain how the District operates. Rod stated that he would like to do that.

Dale Pederson stated that the fuels reduction grant that John Jackson manages is a great resource. Dale stated that he invites everyone out to see what the fuel reduction has done.

George Ponte stated that he did the fuel reduction as well and it worked out great.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

Matt Smith stated that the new ambulance is here if they would like to see it after the meeting.

The new structure engine is almost in service, it will replace the 1979 Kenworth.

Dennis Baudree stated that Juniper Canyon needs another access road out of it. Matt Smith stated that we can put it on the December agenda and the Board can get involved in addressing it with the County. Russ Deboodt stated that there are other entities working on a second access.

Steve Lent closed the public meeting at 10:00 am and will be going in Executive Session ORS 192.660 (2) (d) to conduct deliberations with person designed to carry on labor negotiations. Executive Session ORS 192.660 (2) (h) to consult with the attorney regarding legal rights and duties in regard to current litigation or litigation that is more likely than not be filed.

Steve Lent opened the public meeting at 10:07 am. As there was no further business for the Board, Steve Lent adjourned the meeting at 10:07 am.

Respectfully Submitted,



Paula Landrus

Steve Lent