

Crook County Fire & Rescue Board Meeting
May 16, 2019

Present: Jerry Brummer, Steve Lent, Dennis Merrill, Dennis Bauldree

Absent: Jim Dean

Staff: Chief Matt Smith, Todd Olheiser, Jerimiah Kenfield, Tim Gorton, Dan Freauff, Dave Pickhardt

No public present:

Called to order at 0900 by Steve Lent

MMS Jerry Brummer- Dennis Merrill to approve the minutes. Motion carries

No public comment

Elm St. walking bridge- Chief Smith states the City is working on a lot line adjustment. CC Fire has stated the City can work on the lot line adjustment process. No loss of parking spaces is expected and a request to provide a barrier from fire department lot. Expect a proposal next month from the City. Discussed working with City to increase lighting and the fire department's need to increase security on the property/lot and station. Discussed new locks and additional building lighting.

Strategic Plan: Chief Smith shared the organizational guide with the board and discussed the need to go to a 5-year strategic plan. The current organizational plan/document is a written plan to track accomplishments and items to do in the coming fiscal year. The current document is presented as an Organizational Guide for approval by the board.

New document (strategic plan) will include updated organizational statements and budget planning information.

Discussed deployment plan proposal along with plans to increase staffing at 1203.

Chief Smith walked through the details of the organizational guide with the board members- discussed staffing needs, radios, station needs, health and wellness needs for members, uniforms, turnout, apparatus projects, staff vehicles, and SCBA replacment.

EMS needs discussed- cardiac monitors

Training needs and priorities and training facility needs

MMS Jerry Brummer- Dennis Merrill to approve the organizational plan for 2019-2020 as written. Motion carried

Committee report presented by Dennis Merrill on plan to address the letter submitted to the board from the union on concerns with district management. In April 2019, the Union raised concerns to the board about district functions. The board has publicly noted the union's notice and formed a committee to inquire. The committee has found a consultant to conduct an inquiry. The inquiry includes seeking more information from union members through voluntary and anonymous interviews. The committee is hopeful to initiate the inquiry within the next 30 days.

Surplus- The district received a grant to purchase new wildland packs for members. These new packs replaced 22 old packs that are being declared surplus. T plan is to donate/gift Wheeler County emergency response the retired packs.

MMS Dennis Bauldree – Jerry Brummer to surplus retired wildland packs to Wheeler County Emergency Services. Motion carried

Chief Smith discussed the need to appropriate additional funds to the legal services line item. Introduced Resolution #2019-1 (see document).

MMS Dennis Bauldree – Dennis Merrill to approve Resolution #2019-1 Motion carried

Chief Smith introduced budget document and reviewed plan for budget message.

Discussed approval of the enterprise zone and the opportunity the approval provides to the district. Summary of PILOT fees and the fact that the increased funds will allow the district to move forward with the reorganization and deployment plan. Jerry Brummer shared that each square foot is worth \$.70. Steve ask about the solar farms and what they offer, discussion followed.

Public thank you to Battalion Chief Russ DeBoodt for his efforts and his knowledge to bring the enterprise agreement to completion. Russ has the expertise and background, he started this process prior to being employed with Crook County Fire & Rescue as part of his work with EDCO. Russ is recognized and appreciated for his efforts.

Jerry Brummer shared the fact that the data centers have contributed significantly to infrastructure for the City and County. Discussed future impact fees and future building.

Chief Smith reviewed ambulance billing receipts and reason for the increase in amounts coming in to the fire department. Discussion continued about projections and growth with changes in what can be billed.

Chief Smith discussed future staffing needs including facility needs. Increased staffing that allows scheduled staffing at 1203, adding one shift BC, and a new title for the fire marshal to division chief.

Budget committee notified and 9/10 board and budget committee members should be in attendance for budget meeting.

Consent agenda reviewed:

MMS Dennis Merrill – Dennis Baudree to approve consent agenda. Motion carried

Good of the order:

Thank you card from the OFCA for sharing the antiques with the OFCA Spring Conference.

Move to executive session- Steve read the ORS notice to move to executive session.

MMS Dennis Bauldree- Dennis Merrill to adjourn meeting. 1048

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D. Pickhardt', written in a cursive style.

Dave Pickhardt