

Board Meeting Minutes
October 17, 2019

Board Members Present: Dennis Merrill, Steve Lent, Dennis Bauldree, Gary Abrams (Arrived at 0910)

Absent: Jerry Brummer

Public: None

Staff: David Parks, Dillon Russell (arrived 0916) Dan Price (arrived 0920)
Staff left meeting at 0935

Meeting called to order at 0901 by Steve Lent

Motion made by Dennis Merrill, Seconded by Dennis Bauldree, to approve the September Board meeting minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

Old Business:

Committee Report: Meeting scheduled with L5115 e-board and board committee (Steve Lent and Dennis Merrill).

Strategic plan update: Chief Smith updated the board on beginning stages of process to develop a strategic plan. From a board perspective addressed the board end statements and how the two documents will complement each other and broaden the board end statements. Discussed future work session and plan for reviewing end statements.

Board discussion on work session and confirmation that staff and public will be invited. Work session will be held directly after the November board meeting (11/21).

Chief Smith reported that the strategic plan and update to the standard of cover project will be worked on and plan to finalize the document by budget process. Additional discussion about the make-up of the documents and how to plan out five years. Documents will be supported by a definition of our core business.

GEMT update- met with consultant and staff received additional education on GEMT. Consultant shared the process as it is the first time GEMT has been processed in Oregon. Consultant advised staff on how to best capitalize on the available reimbursement money through the federal government.

End result is to define the cost for the district to provide the service per call.

GEMT is a reimbursement program that is designed to reimburse agencies for the unreimbursed cost of providing service to a specific population.

New business:

ASA- Chief Smith updated the board on what the Ambulance Service Area (ASA) is and the definition. The ASA is mandated by the state and imposed on the county. CCF& R is one of four providers for ambulance service (Rager Volunteer Ambulance, Redmond Fire & Rescue, Bend Fire) in Crook County.

Discussed the legal requirement of the county court to ensure the vendor(s) are meeting the state requirements for providing ambulance service.

Chief Smith reviewed the boundaries and answered board question about Mitchell ASA and lack of service there.

Reviewed Rager Ambulance and their response area- Rager is a resource/support for Crook County.

Mutual aid and auto-aid defined by Chief Smith and that it is managed by the Central Oregon Fire Chiefs. All areas in the central Oregon region are represented. Additionally, the federal and state agencies respond as part of cooperative agreements and we too will support federal and state agency responses outside of the fire district.

Currently we have one auto-aid agreement with Redmond Fire & Rescue.

Two contracts for service: Ochoco Christian Conference Center and one single family resident in the Lone Pine area on Butler Rd. Both pay the assessed rate of \$1.59 per thousand and the agreement is for structure fire only. Not designed for wildland response.

Surplus items: Request made to surplus retired wildland PPE, radio parts, and rescue equipment. Dennis Bauldree motioned and Dennis Merrill seconded to allow surplus of equipment- donate or dispose.

Consent agenda:

Chief Smith reviewed the quarterly budget document. Chief Deboodt reviewed enterprise zone money receipts and answered questions about how and when the district receives the money from the enterprise zone.

Discussed current overtime use to staff up to six career members. Board asked about process and recognition of burnout from too much overtime. Current standard is overtime is voluntary for staffing 5-6 career staff members. Members are signing up when they want for available shifts and most are working 12 hour shifts which helps with too much shift time.

Reviewed bills – MM& S Dennis Merrill/ Dennis Bauldree to approve the financial consent agenda.

Good of the order:

Nearing vendor decision to purchase 4 cardiac monitors and one ventilator. Approx cost \$150,000.00.

Radio system update with Crook County interfacing with Deschutes County. Crook County is making plans for a digital radio system.

Note that board responded to a request from the Oregon bar for information on past bar complaint. Letter sent as requested.

Chief Deboodt reported that we did not receive the grant to purchase replacement SCBA's. As there was no further business for the board, Steve Lent adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dave Pickhardt

