

**COLESTIN RURAL FIRE DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
August 15,2003**

PRESENT: Cheri Avgeris, Teri Thomas, Mary Jo Trainor, Peggy Moore, Steve Avgeris, Andy Herskind.

ABSENT: Peg Stewart

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 p.m. at the Hilt Church.

MINUTES

It was M/S/P (Avgeris/Trainor) to approve the July minutes as distributed.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Cheri reported that we have \$16,974.24 in the checking account and \$5,069.98 in the State Treasury account.

We have spent \$5,487.77 to date on the FEPP engine grant. We have spent \$45,620. on the FEMA grant. Cheri received an extension from the federal government so that the money must be spent by Dec. 31st rather than Sept. 30. The engine pump is bad. A new pump would be about \$18,000. Steve and CDF were able to locate a truck with a pump for \$10,000, which we will purchase. The pump can be put on the engine and the truck itself can be turned into water tender.

Cheri further reported that the McDonald foundation provided the \$6,500 match. We have received \$365.00 thus far from the Marley Pratt Foundation. Peggy mentioned that the CRFD web site (www.crfd.org) has a feature on Marley as fire fighter of the year with pictures and a brief story about him.

CHIEF'S REPORT

Steve reported that we've had six calls since the last meeting including one search and rescue, one smoke check, one lightning fire, one TC and 2 illegal camp fires.

We've still got two grant applications from FEMA out and expect to hear within the month.

OTHER

Peggy asked why there is a discrepancy between posted fire restrictions. Steve explained that he leaves the fire indicator signs on extreme but ODF changes them all the time. He believes it's better to keep them higher. ODF has not been consistent in notifying CRFD and other agencies when the conditions change.

Peggy sent a letter to the Chamber (and passed a copy around for the Board to see) commenting on the 4th of July flag sale issue.

Peggy mentioned that she contacted both Siskiyou County and CORP about the dead pine tree next to the road just down from the Cole Station. Siskiyou County said they couldn't do anything about it since it's not on their land. She then called CORP and they said they'd send someone out to look at it.

Steve will contact CDF as well since it presents a serious safety hazard.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

NOTE: The next board meeting is September 19th at 6:00 at the Hilt Church
The October board meeting will not be held the 3rd Friday but will be on
October 24th at 6:00 p.m. at the Hilt Church.

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy A. Moore