

**COLESTIN RURAL FIRE DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
May 3, 2006**

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

ABSENT: None

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

MINUTES

It was M/S/P (Brafford/Thomas) to approve the minutes of the April meeting and the minutes of the special meeting as distributed.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Cheri reported that we have \$7,289.33 in the checking account, \$11,928.72 in the country treasury account and \$5,266.91 in the water tender account.

Since Hilt provided money towards the water tender, Hilt Hose Company will receive 20% of the revenue earned from the water tender. The Board agreed the money would be paid to Hilt at the time the money is earned.

CHIEF'S REPORT

Steve reported CRFD received one call since the last meeting. The water tender has been delivered to Ashland and is having the tires put on. Given the timeline, Steve decided not to wait for the new axels and wheels at this time. The rig will have two new tires on the front, one new one on the back and three of the tires we had saved. Steve will then take it to DMV for a VIN number (since it does not have Oregon plates). Cheri and Steve will bring it to Hilt where it will need lettering and radios. He has hired a certified tech for brake installation.

Teri cautioned the Board that the money left in the budget on June 30th becomes the reserves so; if possible, it would be helpful to purchase any known items prior to that. Steve will try and locate hubs and wheels and make that purchase.

Cheri stated that we would take pictures of the truck at the May 20th training so that copies can be sent to the TIDES foundation, the McDonald Foundation and Hillcrest. Hopefully, folks at the training will wear fire gear.

US CELL CONTRACT

The Board reviewed the revised contract proposal from US Cell. It contains all of the items we discussed with Bruce at the last meeting. There was some discussion that the COLA is calculated

at the end of the five year period. Steve will mention this to Bruce but it's not enough to hold up the contract. Steve reminded the Board that US Cell will be providing some work for CRFD when they begin digging to install the repeater which should certainly make up for any annual COLA we don't get.

It was M/S/P (Trainor/Avgeris) to sign the contract with US Cell.

DISTRICT 5 ANNEXATION

Peggy reported that she has not heard from County Administrator Sue Slack but will call her to see if there has been any progress between the attorneys. Steve has received calls from one of the interested parties on the ski road. Unfortunately, CRFD has no control over the request from the Commissioners and cannot provide the letter initially requested until we hear from our attorney and the county hears from theirs.

AUXILLARY

Carolyn shared some information about the Mt. Shasta Fire Department's auxiliary organization. They have been successful in recruiting individuals to help with tasks in the department that do not require formal training.

After discussion the Board suggested that Carolyn put something in the Buzz to see if there is interest, among people not currently volunteering, to join an auxiliary if we were to form one. Steve suggested that washing engines, cleaning the firehouse and other tasks would be a great benefit to the District.

Peggy suggested that perhaps people would be willing to sign off if it did not require weekly commitments (like training) but allowed people to perform discreet tasks that would benefit the department. Carolyn has graciously agreed to spearhead this effort.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is June 7th at 6 pm at the Hilt Church.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:35

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy A. Moore