

**COLESTIN RURAL FIRE DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
August 4, 2015**

PRESENT: Alissa Lipking, Peggy Moore, Teri Thomas, Cindy Warzyn, Steve Avgeris. Tod Davies

ABSENT: Pam Haunschild (excused)

The meeting was called to order at 6:02 with a quorum present.

MINUTES

It was M/S/P (Lipking/Warzyn) to approve the minutes of the July meeting as distributed.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Teri reported that the checking account has \$ 1,913.16 and the Treasury account has \$ 50,797.80. Steve's truck spent several days in the repair shop at TC Chevy. The original bill was \$ 1,495. Steve reminded them that we are a volunteer fire district and the final bill was reduced and we are paying \$570.

Teri will send them a letter of appreciation.

Teri reported that it is only one month and a few days into the new budget year so there are no real needs to report overages or shortfalls in budget categories.

She reported that we just received a check for \$839 from the fire that the truck and Steve were on in June.

KIOSKS

Peggy reported that Jerry Lehman finished the Kiosk and Betsy and Peggy stained it. Betsy will be putting a second coat on particular areas before Jerry, Terry and Steve put up the bulletin case. Peggy will request that Jerry provide the District with a bill for materials and labor.

PICNIC

Betsy will put the information out on the new t shirts and sweatshirts and hats that will be available for purchase this year. Thanks to Pam, our new design "the hottest job on earth" is on the shirts and the new color, grey, should be nicer for summer weather. The hats are brown.

Alissa will take over from Cindy on coordinating the picnic with help from Jeanne Marin. Cindy passed along the "history" of the picnic to Alissa in terms of items, amounts, etc.

Peggy asked whether she should invite Karen Dwyer to provide some medical information and include Katie Pratt as well.

Alissa will put up the two banners at both ends of the Valley one week before the event. This year she will put the sign on the South end by the fire sign for visibility.

CHIEF'S REPORT

Steve reported that we had two vegetation fires, two vehicle fires and one medical since the last meeting. We are short on pagers. Steve will be rounding up the Minitor II pagers and send them to the company. They will be under \$ 150 for repair and then they can be signed out. We originally paid \$ 400 for each pager and about five of these are able to be repaired.

Steve reminded the Board that we are in extreme fire danger for the rest of the season. Brush 44 is out with Cal Fire and Steve expects it will be for the rest of the season.

The fire in Redding is over 60,000 acres. The Canyonville fire is now 18,000 acres with zero containment.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

Peggy welcomed Tod Davies back home. Tod and Alex Cox have been out of the area for the past several years and are back and interested in helping the Fire District again.

Todd will begin attending the Jackson County Fuel Reduction Committee and will work with Pam on grants.

Teri suggested that we contact the TIDE Foundation as Ben Stott mentioned, at the picnic, that should we need help, we should let them know. Tod will call him and then follow up with a formal proposal. Peggy suggested we let them know that we are not receiving the \$10,000 grant we have been for the past several years and which has allowed us to purchase necessary equipment.

Tod asked the Board if we would like her to investigate the creation of a List Serve for Valley residents. It is an instant way to send out an email blast to folks in the Valley. Tod will explore the possibility and volunteer as the administrator of the List Serve. That person reviews messages before posting so that they are in compliance with the typical rules surrounding posts – no bashing people, etc. This is also a quick and effective way to notify community members of an emergency. She will report back.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is Tuesday, September 8th at 6 pm at the Hilt Church. Teri asked that two items be put on the agenda. 1) A Best practices check list and 2) a public meeting policy which needs Board Approval. Teri will provide the necessary documents.

It was M/S/P Warzyn/Lipking to adjourn at 6:28 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy A. Moore