

**COLESTIN RURAL FIRE DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
August 14, 2018**

PRESENT: Tod Davies, Pam Haunschild, Peggy Moore, Teri Thomas, Cindy Warzyn, Steve Avgeris

ABSENT: None

The meeting was called to order at 6pm and a quorum was established.

MINUTES

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

TREASURER'S REPORT

Teri emailed the financial documents prior to the meeting and provided hard copies at the meeting. We have \$9,452.44 in the Checking account and \$102,090.78 in the Treasury account. Two donations in the amount of \$700 and \$1,000 were received from local property owners. Teri reported that we are early in the budget year so expenses are on track. Teri reported that the Treasury account has increased the rate of interest from 2.1% to 2.25%.

PUBLIC INFORMATION REPORT

Tod reported that the group had a meeting last night. Karen Dwyer and Sherrie Bolin were unable to attend but will be brought up to speed. Pam Newnhaller, a resident in the South of the District, is volunteering to assist with public information. Tod and Pam Haunschild will be the primary "riders" with the Chief in the event of a fire requiring that assistance. Lisa will serve as an alternate rider.

The duty of communication venues was distributed. Betsy will maintain the Official Fire District Website. Karen will handle the Twitter communications.

Samantha Cheney from the Temple will assist in getting the word out to that community.

We need back up for Cheri on the radio. Ideally there will be two alternates. Tod will be one and we need to find another with the necessary skills (and ideally in the center of the valley).

Tod brought up the need for representatives to connect with the PIO group of fire folks in the area to solicit information of good practices.

CHIEF'S REPORT

Steve reported that we had 6 calls and some that have not yet been turned in since the last meeting. Two were structures, one vegetation, two medical and one traffic.

The water system is now operational. Steve would like to have one water tank on the Ski Road and he will be working with Judd Parsons on this task. One needs to be in the lower valley and a second tank where the new tank is now. That one can be hooked up to the existing system. They should all be 10,000

gallons. Ideally, the location should be located immediately off the county road for maximum accessibility.

Steve will visit Pam and Steve's property to look at the tank they have. In addition, Fruit Growers asked how they can help and Steve will meet with them.

The train is now running at night. Steve wants to meet with the appropriate parties to come up with a plan for the train that automatically "kicks in" when certain conditions are present. When we go to a Level 3 it should automatically trigger the train to be switched to night running.

The Board will revisit this at the October meeting.

The slip in from Cascade Fire will not be ready until after Fire Season. The Forest Service has a large order ahead of ours.

Another issue is that 52-11 which is stored at Cindy and Drew's is taken by Cal Fire as fire season increases. It is there engine but it leaves us without that kind of protection. This has been the case for the past four years. 44-10 covers for it but this is not a good solution. One suggestion is to fix 44-13.

In next year's grant we need to propose a bigger truck for the water tender.

THANK YOU NOTES

Steve will provide Peggy with the contact and addresses or at least the agency for those helping with the Klamathon fire.

PICNIC

Cindy has this under control. She has asked board members to arrive at 11:00 with a big bowl and spoon and an ice chest. We are not ordering new t shirts but will sell what we have. The firefighters will all be receiving blue uniform t-shirts. The Marines are cooking again.

GRANTS

Pam cautioned Steve that we need to pay for the slip in this year. Steve will get an invoice from Cascade Fire to comply with this mandate.

There was discussion of a smart phone for Steve or the ride along program. Teri and Steve will get a phone and it will be with Steve or the PIO person.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is Tuesday, Sept 11 at the Hilt Church at 6 pm. Both Cindy and Peggy will be absent. Tod will chair the meeting and take notes.

It was M/S/P (Davies/Thomas) to adjourn at 7:07 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Moore