

**COLESTIN RURAL FIRE DISTRICT  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
October 5, 2005**

**PRESENT:** Cheri Avgeris, Carolyn Brafford, Peggy Moore, Teri Thomas, Steve Avgeris, Andy Herskind, Lisa Buttrey.

**ABSENT:** Mary Jo Trainor

The meeting was called to order at 6:15 pm

**MINUTES**

It was M/S/P (Avgeris/Thomas) to approve the minutes of the September meeting as distributed.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

Cheri reported that the General fund has \$6,463.18, the state treasury fund has \$9,128.66 and the savings account (for the water tender) has \$30, 053.25

Lisa commented that she was disappointed that the cost of the signage has exceeded budget by the amount that it had. Cheri and Lisa will split out the costs for the signage. This cost does not include the Ski Road. The Board expressed their appreciation for all of the work that Lisa and Teri have done on the signs and costs with projects like this are hard to estimate. Teri pointed out that Brian Dwyer's help with the signage was instrumental in moving the project forward. Brian provided all the road signs. The Board requested that the minutes reflect a thank you to Brian as well for all his work. It as M/S/P (Thomas/Brafford) to cover the overage for the signage from our reserves.

Cheri reported that purchasing 7 pairs of binoculars at \$130. each and 5 GPS units would cost \$1,560. These are, of course, safety issues. The Board discussed the need for purchasing these items even though they are not in the budget. Teri suggested we take it out of capital expenditures since there is money there. It was M/S/P (Avgeris/Brafford) to approve the expenditure of \$1,560 or these items and to take the money from the medical and fire equipment categories.

Cheri mentioned that John Ames' computer cannot reprogram the new radios. The cost of a new laptop would be about \$800. Teri will speak with him about computer possibilities. Lisa will talk with him about the specifics of what he needs. The District can't afford \$800 at this point so fortunately it's not an urgent request.

**LETTER OF RESIGNATION**

Peg Stewart sent her letter of resignation. It was M/S/P (Avgeris/Thomas) to accept Peg's letter with regret. Peggy has sent her a letter on behalf of the Board, thanking her for more than 21 years of service.

## **CHIEF'S REPORT**

Cheri is now providing the Board with a monthly print out of incidents. This is very helpful and both the Chief and the Board expressed their appreciation to her for doing this.

Steve reported that we are in moderate fire danger.

Carolyn provided the board with bids for the firehouse doors. She received two bids (although she placed 12 phone calls). One bidder also bid on the second stage of the door project (the tanker bay). One bid was for \$2,590 and the other for \$2,765. The Board discussed the two proposals and it was M/S/P (Thomas and Brafford) to accept the bid from American Industrial Designs (which also is the lowest bid) for the first set of doors and to take the money out of reserves.

Steve reported that Jackson County wants a new survey of the proposed annexation boundaries. The cost is about \$15,000 and will either be borne by District 5 or the residents on the ski road. District 5 will not go beyond the one-mile marker in terms of responding.

Chuck has informed Steve that he will probably be gone by the end of November so Steve will move 44-12 to Hilt and put 44-11 out of service for the winter.

Steve complimented both Lisa and Teri, again, for their tremendous work on the signs. He has received calls of appreciation from both Ashland Rescue and the Forest Service. Lisa added that she would provide run maps as well.

## **BOND**

Teri reviewed the bond amount and found that we are bonded for \$50,000 as requested by the state of Oregon.

## **LEGISLATION**

Carolyn reported that SB 2,3, 4 and 5, which deals with earthquake retro fitting, might affect some in the fire district. She will continue to monitor this legislation. She also reported that HB 2340 authorizes fire districts to re coop reasonable costs for responding to incidents.

## **NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting is November 2<sup>nd</sup> (Wednesday) at the Hilt Church at 6 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy A. Moore