

**COLESTIN RURAL FIRE DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
NOVEMBER 10, 2006**

PRESENT: Cheri Avgeris, Teri Thomas, Carolyn Brafford, Peggy Moore, Steve Avgeris,
Andy Herskind, Carole Herskind

ABSENT: Mary Jo Trainor

MINUTES

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

TREASURER'S REPORT

Cheri reported that we have \$13,84692 in the checking account; \$14,625.19 in the treasury account and \$1,659.11 in savings.

Teri informed the Board that in our report to the Secretary of State we must report any loan information on the bond that we carry. We currently do not have enough in our policy to cover the bond. Teri recommends that since it appears we have routinely had loans, which increase of financial liability that we increase our bond.

Cheri noted that Dave Campbell will be at the next meeting and we should request a suggested incremental amount from him. Teri stated that the increase in cost should be minimal.

It was M/S/P (Thomas/Brafford) that we increase the bond to \$75,000 or \$100,000, based on Dave's recommendation.

FINANCIAL RECOMMENDATION

Teri would like to redesign the profit/loss document to make the reports more "user" friendly. Teri will consult the Budget Committee for their input and move forward after their consideration.

CHIEF'S REPORT

Steve reported that fire season is officially over. 44-10 is in service in Hilt.

There were two incidents since the last meeting. One medical and one vehicle (which was cancelled).

The Water tender repair will occur shortly and it will be out of service for about two weeks. Steve stated that it will be in service by the holidays.

The US Cell project is complete and digital phones should see improved service Both Carolyn and Peggy reported that their service is the same and in some cases worse. Steve will contact US Cell and report that fact.

Steve requested that a post card go out about the stovepipe cleaning and the problem with candles (which are the leading cause of house fires in the country). Betsy will put something out.

FIRE HOUSE CLEANING

One current volunteer has agreed to take on this project. The Board discussed this and reaffirmed its decision to not have a current firefighter take on this responsibility. It was M/S/P (Avgeris/Brafford) that after 3 months of discussion and public announcements requesting a volunteer throughout the community, we have received one indication of interest, from a current firefighter. Therefore we will be hiring an individual to perform these duties who is not an active volunteer.

Peggy will contact Lisa to put an ad in the Buzz and Cheri will post an announcement on the bulletin boards. The application deadline is December 8th. The job will pay \$12.00 an hour for 4-5 scheduled hours a week. Applications can be mailed to 1701 Coleston Rd.

COLESTIN PROJECT

Steve reported that despite the incredible loss that Hilltop Logging experienced through the major vandalism of their equipment, they will be going forward with the pilot project. No other company has bid on it. It is a major effort on behalf of the Forest Service to engage in fire prevention here and, if successful, throughout the country.

OTHER

Cheri requested that Peggy send a get well card, on behalf of CRFD, to Joan Buttrey and to Ani Baba.

NEXT MEETING

The Next meeting will be Friday, December 8th at 6 pm at the Hilt Church.

Peggy reported that her contract for work has been extended through mid March. Carolyn will check her schedule and if continuing on Fridays in Feb and March pose a problem, we'll move the meetings back to Wednesdays and Peggy won't attend.

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy A. Moore

