

**COLESTIN RURAL FIRE DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
AUGUST 17, 2007**

PRESENT: Cheri Avgeris, Carolyn Brafford, Tod Davies, Teri Thomas, Chief Steve Avgeris

ABSENT: Peggy Moore

The meeting was called to order at 6:10 p.m.

MINUTES

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

TREASURER'S REPORT

Cheri passed out the financial statements including a profit/loss budget to actual. We have \$20,144.80 in the general fund, \$10,042.29 in the Treasury account and \$1,661.86 in the savings account.

American Industrial Door, LLC will: 1) remove existing pass door; and 2) provide and install one commercial steel sectional overhead door with a remote control.

Cost: \$2985.00. The project will be completed August 22 – 26, 2007.

Teri reported that while entering the budget into QuickBooks, she discovered that there was an error in the spreadsheet calculations. Because the budget reports were due to the state in just a few days, Sharon Halvorson, Budget Committee Chair, had to make an on the spot decision to adjust the facilities repair and vehicle repair categories.

The original amount budgeted for facilities was \$3,250.00. The error was \$330 over-budget. The new number for facilities maintenance is \$1,600. The difference was \$1,980.00 (over-budget). It was recommended that we take \$2,000.00 from the reserve fund to fund maintenance. It was M/S/P (Thomas/Davies).

CRFD earned \$4,900.00 for fire fighting. An additional \$6303.00 (Shaft Fire) was earned, but one-quarter of this amount was earned by Hilt.

CHIEF'S REPORT

We had 4 calls since the last Board meeting.

Chief Avgeris alerted the Board that there are used RR ties located at various places throughout the Valley. They present a danger to the watershed because they have been treated with creosote. Steve recommended that the Board write a letter to the RR requesting that the ties be taken to Eugene for appropriate hazardous materials disposal prior to the start of the fall rains.

It was M/S/P (Brafford/Thomas). Tod will write the letter.

MOUNA WILSON'S CONCERNS (BUZZ ARTICLE)

Carolyn requested that Mouna's concerns regarding the Hazardous Fuels Reduction Project be addressed. A discussion ensued. It was noted that the CRFD gave appropriate public notice, including a public meeting. We concluded that our procedure complied with the legal requirements and was 'transparent'. We also discussed that in the future, such projects be viewed as an opportunity for community education and outreach. The Board will continue to make sure that community members are notified of issues that affect them in a timely, congenial, and informative manner. It was also noted that community members have the responsibility to keep informed. They are always welcome to attend meetings, volunteer with the department, and join the Board.

NEW BUSINESS: FUNDRAISING EVENT

Tod updated us on Alex Cox's new film, which premieres at the Venice Film Festival in two weeks. She proposed that the fundraiser for the CRFD be held at the Varsity Theater in November or December. She suggested the Monday after Thanksgiving.

The meeting adjourned at 7:13 p.m.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be on Friday, September 7th at 6:00 at the Hilt Church.

Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn B. Brafford