#### COLESTIN RURAL FIRE DISTRICT

# Board of Directors Meeting July 11, 2008

**PRESENT:** Carolyn Brafford, Peggy Moore, Teri Thomas, Steve Avgeris, Andy

Herskind.

**ABSENT:** Cheri Avgeris, Tod Davies

## **MINUTES**

It was M/S/P (Thomas/Brafford) to approve the minutes of the May meeting as distributed. Due to illness the June meeting was cancelled and not rescheduled.

#### TRESASURER'S REPORT

Steve passed out the Treasurer's report in Cheri's absence. We have \$22,201.54 in checking, \$1,666.02 in Savings and \$16,487.81 in the Treasury account. There are no major outstanding bills.

# **CHIEF'S REPORT**

Steve reported that we have been busy since the last meeting. There were nine calls – two vehicle, two accidents, five fires. We are in high fire danger.

Steve read a letter from Marie Wells and one from the Medford Fire Fighters Association thanking CRFD for the donation made to the fund for the two fire fighters who were recently killed. In addition, Steve read a letter from Ted Sundin who donated a \$1,000 in thanks for the response to the district for saving their home. Steve commented that 14 fire fighters showed up. This could have been a very, very serious fire but the response team was able to put it out quickly before it spread to neighboring homes.

44-13 is rented to CDF indefinitely at \$1,008 a day .As of 7/12 it has earned about \$20,000. Steve was pleased to report that the engine that has been at the CDF camp waiting finishing is in the District now.

Steve would like to hire someone in the District to provide minor repairs and paint the fire station. It has not been painted in 20 years. Peggy will ask Lisa to put a notice in the Buzz for a possible person and Betsy will advertise it on the website. We will take bids.

Steve would like to use some of the money generated by the rental of the engine to re power the water tender. He is seeking bids but it will probably run about \$10,000. Currently the water tender is the only one in the north area and while a good vehicle it is very, very slow due to the engine. The Board agreed that this is a worthy and necessary expenditure.

#### **GENERATOR**

Steve was able to find a 16 KW diesel generator (new) for \$4,280 plus \$701.12 in shipping. It comes with a two-year warranty. These usually run well over \$12,000 so this is an excellent buy. We have \$2,200 from the benefit that Alex Cox did for us and we received a donation of \$3,400 towards the generator. So the total of \$5,600 would pay for the generator and the installation. It was M/S/P (Thomas/Brafford to approve the expenditure of \$5,600 to purchase, ship and install the new generator. Steve will look at Peggy and Betsy's generator for the firehouse. US Cell took theirs that had been there so we need another one before winter. The generator will be donated but will require some expense to get it running correctly.

#### **COMPUTER**

Teri reported that she looked at the computer that Cheri has been using for the fire district and for her own business use. It's very slow and would need about \$150 in upgraded memory. However, Teri believes the price of \$400 is very reasonable as it has a couple of good years left on it. It was M/S/P (Thomas/Brafford) to purchase the computer from Cheri for \$400 and upgrade and buy more memory.

# **SAFETY COMMITTEE**

Carolyn reported that the Safety Committee would meet at the August meeting.

### **RAILROAD**

Tod is ill and unable to be here but reported to Peggy that CORP is willing to do whatever they can to remove the railroad ties from around the Valley. Steve asked that they move them to the east side of Tunnel 13, which is out of the District. Tod will communicate this to CORP.

## **LIST OF PROJECTS**

Tod requested that we priortize a list of desired and needed equipment so that she can provide that to the appropriate parties for funding. This is also important as we receive rental money from loaned equipment. This will be done in August.

#### **NEXT MEETING**

The next Board meeting is August 8<sup>th</sup> at the Hilt Church at 6 pm. The insurance agent has requested to be on the agenda.

It was M/S/P (Brafford/Thomas) to adjourn the meeting at 7:10 pm

Respectfully submitted, Peggy A. Moore