

**COLESTIN RURAL FIRE DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
July 20, 2012**

PRESENT: Pam Haunschild, Alissa Lipking, Peggy Moore, Teri Thomas, Cindy Warzyn, Steve Avgeris, Chuck Biegert, David Lipking.

ABSENT: None

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 pm at the Hilt Church.

MINUTES

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

TREASURER'S REPORT

Teri passed out the balance sheet, the profit and loss budget vs. actual and a copy of the bank account detail. We have \$9,959 in checking and \$37,385 in the Treasury account. We owe \$227 on the credit card for the pelican case for 44-13. We paid \$131 for the quick books program for Lisa so she can assist Teri. Teri reported that we remain in good financial shape.

BID FOR FIRE TRUCK

Cindy opened the single bid we received on the fire truck. The minimum bid allowed was \$2,500 and we received one bid in that amount from Richard (Poncho) Parker. Mr. Parker was the successful bidder and Steve will notify him that he owes us \$2,250 (since his earnest money was \$250). He has 30 days to give us the check and pick up the engine.

ELECTION OF BOARD OFFICERS

Peggy suggested that we could elect officers at this meeting, since our fiscal year begins July 1st or at the January meeting. Teri offered that she prefers we elect officers at the beginning of our fiscal year as it makes her reporting easier.

Both Peggy and Teri stated that they would be happy to have others assume the position of Board Chair and Treasurer. It was M/S/P (Warzyn/Haunschild) to elect Peggy Moore as Chair for 2012-13. It was M/S/P (Haunschild/Thomas) to elect Cindy Warzyn Vice Chair. It was M/S/P (Haunschild/Thomas) to elect Alissa Lipking as Secretary. It was M/S/P (Warzyn/Lipking) to elect Teri Thomas Treasurer.

SKI ROAD STATION

Steve spoke to Peg Stewart and she'd prefer we have the discussion about a fire house on their property when both Tim and Peg can be present. Tim is fighting fires in Colorado. Cindy suggested that we have some kind of presentation at the September Picnic that shows visually

what we think the fire structure would look like. Pam offered to provide us, at the August meeting, with some information to be presented. The Board will think about possible structures for the August meeting. The Board agreed a discussion with the Stewarts is essential before we can have a community meeting of the Ski Road residents. Once that is done, Pam offered to send a questionnaire out, gathering people's opinions, ideas and any concerns. The Board agreed the questionnaire should be sent only to the residents on the Ski Road.

Pam said a couple of people were concerned about having the fire station close to their house. The Board thought the closer it is to one's house, the safer they are.

Steve said the station must be within the District. Other points in the discussion included: in order for the Ski Road residents to be in a Class 9 rather than a Class 10, the fire station must be located within 5 miles of residents. It must also be lower down on the Ski Road because of the snow (the higher, the more snow). It must be on level ground, close to the paved road and with easy access for firefighters so that response time is fast.

We will work on a presentation, for the Ski Road residents, that takes their concerns (established by the completed surveys) as well as address the reasons for having a station on the Ski Road. Pam is ready to move forward once the location has been established.

PICNIC

Cindy handed out information from the 2010 and 2011 picnic. The Board agreed to not get water melon but instead have a fruit salad. We will have the same basic menu, hot dogs, veggie burgers, hamburgers. No green salad. Cindy will check with Frank and Jeanne Marin to see if they'll cook and with Sharron Halverson to see that the banners get put up. Cindy will bring two crock pots to keep the two kinds of burgers warm. Steve will call Fruit Growers about the wasp issue and Alissa will bring the grill for the veggie burgers. All board members will bring a cooler and big bowls.

All volunteers will receive a tee shirt again.

The Board selected Sunday, September 16th from noon to 2 at the Church. Peggy will invite Karen Dwyer to do blood pressure checks again.

Peggy suggested we preview the Ski Road Station and provide a brief report about our long range plan to move towards a Class 8B. We should have reasons, steps to complete in order to be eligible and a plan on how we can achieve this.

CHIEF'S REPORT

Steve reported that 44-12 is in District and residing outside the Church. He said the tires are fair to good. It needs a paint job and Cal Fire has offered to do this but it will take 3 – 4 months. Steve will not take it to Deadwood until after fire season at which time the painting and lettering can be done. We pay only for supplies (paint) which would be about \$2,000. The labor is donated.

Steve will meet next week with Cascade Fire for nozzles, etc up to the \$3,000 amount the Board allocated. (\$2,500 of this comes from the sale of the truck). The radios are on the way.

Steve signed contracts with Klamath National and now we perform initial attack in our basic area.

There were two vegetation fires, one vehicle fire and two structure fires that we provided mutual aid on since the last meeting.

Steve shared copies of the letter from the ISO that Peggy received dealing with the Class 9/10 status and asked the Board members to keep their copies. Basically, it lists Class 10 for those residents in the District who are more than 5 miles from a station. Everyone else is a Class 9.

KIOSK

Peggy reported that she met with Bob from Siskiyou County Road Department and he will research who owns the “pickle” area that we want to put the Kiosk in. He believes it is Fruit Growers. If not, then it is Siskiyou County. If it’s the county, we can put the structure up. If it is Fruit Growers’, we will need a letter from them to allow us permission to do so.

Betsy is drawing up rough sketches of what it should look like and will send these to Brian Dwyer and ask if he is willing to build it. Once we have that information, we can get an estimate of the cost to do so.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be at the regularly scheduled time, August 10th at 6 pm at the Hilt Church.

It was M/S/P (Lipking/Warzyn) to adjourn the meeting at 7:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Moore