

**COLESTIN RURAL FIRE DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

April 10, 2018

PRESENT: Pam Haunschild, Peggy Moore, Cindy Warzyn, Steve Avgeris

ABSENT: Tod Davies (excused), Teri Thomas (excused)

The meeting was called to order at 6 pm at the Hilt Church. A quorum was established.

MINUTES

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

TREASURER'S REPORT

There was no Treasurer's report.

CHIEF'S REPORT

Steve reported that there were 3 medical calls since the last meeting. During the last 6 to 8 months we have seen an increase in medical calls which Steve reports is true nationwide.

The first training will occur on April 27th and will be mostly an orientation. Betsy has posters which will go up in all three kiosks. In addition, post cards were mailed yesterday.

The slip in unit is about half completed it it may be done by the start of fire season. Our long standing relationship with the company has moved us up in the order of projects.

Fire season might begin June 1st, depending on the weather between now and then.

Steve reported that the land use permit for the large grow area on the Ski road was denied. Half of the land is designated EFU and half woodland. No growing is allowed on woodland land. The owners could appeal to LUBA to overturn the county ruling but only on the EFU land.

Steve, as the Fire Chief, was requested by the county to review a new permit request for property in the middle of the Valley in a flood plain. In discussing this unusual request with county personnel, Steve was informed if he did approve the permit and the house flooded in the future, the fire district could be held liable.

Steve informed the county that they need to have a person who is trained in reviewing property for these kinds of issue and he does not feel qualified to do the review.

Steve reported that there are 37 grows in the Valley and since the expectations of the law regarding grows is specific about out of state shipping of the product, there will be enforcement issues coming up in the future.

ROAD CONCERNS

Steve reported that the new grader operator is very good. He has an excellent grasp of what needs to be done in terms of snow removal. However, the county is continuing to put decomposed granite without rock on the roads throughout the county. In the summer it makes the roads extremely dusty and in the winter it all turns to mud.

We were hopeful in meeting with the county personnel responsible for road decisions they would prevent this from continuing and the solution of a mixture of decomposed granite and rock would be placed on the roads.

The Board discussed possible ways to make our concerns known more clearly. This will continue to be a topic for discussion.

GRANTS

Pam reported that the grant for funding for this next year was filed with the grantor and we received a receipt of the filing. Steve was told there is a new grading/scoring system in place. We will wait for the process to be completed. The fact that we did not receive the grant last year makes it likely that we will be a recipient for this cycle.

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This will be discussed at the May meeting. Cindy will be out of town for the first and second week of September. We will move it to the third week after discussion with the Board in May.

NEXT MEETING

The Board will go back to the Tuesday meeting schedule in May. This will mean that all meetings except in the months of January, February and March will occur the second Tuesday of the month. For those three months the Board will meet on the second Friday of the month.

The next meeting will be on Tues. May 8th. If there are 20 days between the time the budget is sun shined and the May meeting, the Board will adopt the final budget in May. Otherwise, it will be finalized in June.

It was M/S/P (Warzyn/Haunschild) to adjourn the meeting at 6:35 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Moore