

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

January 18, 2019

PRESENT: Tod Davies, Peggy Moore, Teri Thomas, Cindy Warzyn, Steve Avgeris, Betsy Bradshaw.

ABSENT: Pam Haunschild (excused)

The meeting came to order at 6:00.

MINUTES

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

TREASURER'S REPORT

Teri provided copies of the Financial Data. We have \$ 3,440.28 in the checking account and \$118,046.84 in the Treasury account .Teri reported that our interest in the Treasury account went up from 2.5%% to 2.75% We received another \$2,000 in donations which is really a payment from one of the propertys that are annexed to the District. Teri reported that we have, to date, \$9,370 in donations.

The line item under water storage (\$8,166) is primarily the water tank for \$ 7,000.

WE have increased the insurance on the Chief's truck from \$15,000 to \$30,000 which includes the Slip In.

CHIEF'S REPORT

Steve reported that we had four calls since the last meeting. One medical, two smoke checks and one Big Rig brake fire. In addition, CRFD as well as 911 has been receiving many calls reporting smoke, etc. Steve and the 911 dispatch center believe it is because people are so fearful of fire that they call anything in.

We don't want to discourage public notification and concerns but we need to try and calm the waters out there. Tod will contact the Tidings and provide some material for a potential article thanking people for their vigilance but suggesting to use caution when calling 911 which automatically requires a check by an agency. Cindy suggested Tod write the article and send it in.

Steve reported that the water tank has been delivered. The costs for this tank are exactly the same as the last tank. It will be ready before fire season and has a 2 10,000 gallon tanks.

The next tank will go in the south area of the district.

Steve reported we are close to getting our ISO rating. They are now doing more background checks on senior personnel in volunteer districts. In addition, Steve was asked to evaluate the ISO inspector. Steve informed the Board that if we get our 8B classification, unless we have assurances from trained fire fighters for response to a structure fire, we will decline the new rating. Once you have the new rating if you don't comply with the conditions, you lose it and will basically never get it back.

Steve will be discussing this with the firefighters in training this season.

Steve reported that new regulations require that a certified Diesel Mechanic must now perform and sign off in inspections of vehicles.

Steve is still searching for an Assistant Chief who has both mechanical ability and fire experience. Currently, if Steve is unable to respond, Cal Fire will and serves as incident commander.

Both Cal Fire and ODF will be assisting with training this year. In addition, there will be three way training opportunities for CRFD, Cal Fire and ODF. A first and a very welcome change.

PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICER

Tod reported that the new PIO phone is here but needs to be completely set up. Teri will help with the process.

Tod, Lisa, Pam and Steve will be meeting with the folks in Central Point on February 7th for information and ideas about public information communication.

Betsy informed the Board that a new poster has been prepared and laminated for the kiosks.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will occur on Friday, February 8th at 6 pm.

It was MN/S/P (Warzyn/Davies) to adjourn the meeting at 6:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Moore