

**COLESTIN RURAL FIRE DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
April 17, 2020**

PRESENT: Tod Davies, Brian Dwyer, Teri Thomas, Peggy Moore, Steve Avgeris. Lisa Buttrey and electors Karen Dwyer and Sharron Halvorson.

ABSENT: None.

The meeting came to order at 6:05 and a quorum was established. The meeting was conducted electronically and no members of the public were present. Notifications were sent to the community of the meeting.

MINUTES

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

TREASURER'S REPORT

Teri reported that we have \$ 6,945.43 in the checking account and \$ 72,340.82 in the state treasury account.

PRESENTATION, DISCUSSION AND ADOPTION OF THE 2020-21 TENTATIVE BUDGET

Lisa sent the preliminary budget out prior to the meeting. Lisa provided very clear notes on several of the line items that were different than the 2019 -2020 budget. Several questions were asked by members and clarified including the cost of the water tank. The \$ 1,000 is the cost of moving and placing it (installation). The tank is donated to the District by Judd Parsons.

Steve's wish list will be covered by the grant awarded by the student project in Josephine County with a CRFD match of \$10,000.

It was M/S/P (Davies and Brian Dwyer) to approve the preliminary budget as presented. It will be posted in the two kiosks (North and South) and on the website for the required legal time and the Board will consider and pass the final budget at the May 12th meeting.

The Board thanked Lisa for all her work on the budget. It was a very smooth process and much appreciated.

BOARD POSITION

Steve reported that, as discussed at the March board meeting, he spoke to Michelle Rooker and she expressed an interest in joining the Board. Peggy will invite Michelle to attend the Board

meeting in May so that she gets a sense of the Board and confirm her interest. The position is Pam Haunschild's and it will be held by the appointed person until the next general election.

LAND UPDATE

Brian will begin the cleanup work in May on the property. The main area will be the focus. The part of the property on the other side of the road will require equipment to clean it up. With the social distancing, it is unlikely that we will be able to use volunteers. Brian will continue to head up the project.

We should be able to put a sign up by the end of May, advertising CRFD's ownership of the property and begin to interest the community in helping us to create a space for potential coverage by fire students.

CHIEF'S REPORT

Steve reported only one call since the last meeting. It was a truck brake fire.

Steve reported that retired Ca Fire Chief Bernie Paul got one of the surplus engines for his volunteer department. Steve will check to see if we received a letter. If we don't get one of the current Model 14 engines available, they will be releasing more engines in the next month and a half and we should get one.

Hilt will need to purchase the engine since it is a California engine and needs to go to a California agency.

Training has been cancelled throughout Oregon indefinitely. Steve has been working with the Chief of District 5 to develop ways that some training can be done effectively.

ODF has issued a SUGGESTED stop open burning as soon as possible. CRFD will stop open burning at midnight on Sunday, April 19th. Steve will put up signs on Sunday, Betsy will put it on the website and Karen will post it on social media.

Steve has performed the service on 44-12 and it is back in service on the Ski Road. The engine is now in good shape for fire season.

PIO REPORT

Tod reported that Cindy Warzyn and Drew Pratt are staying in her house in the Colestin and Cindy has the PIO phone. Once the social distancing requirements are listed, Tod and Cindy will conduct phone training to refresh people's minds.

Tod asked about booking zoom for the next meeting. She generously donated the first month fee (about \$ 15.00) Teri suggested that Tod use the district credit card to book the next two months of Zoom.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be on Tuesday, May 12th, electronically at 6 p.m. The final budget will be adopted and then sent to the state in early June.

It was M/S/P (Davies/Thomas) to adjourn at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Moore