

Columbia River Fire & Rescue
Regular Meeting of The Board of Directors
Held Virtually via Go-To Meeting and in-phone access
April 12, 2021 7:00pm

Regular Meeting

Present: Hans Feige, Kelly Niles, Gary Hudson, Mark Kreutzer, Kim McLane

Others: Chief Medina, DC Smythe, DC O'Connor, DC Holsey, FM Pederson, PIO Motherway

Public Comment: None

Local 3215: Not Present

Volunteer Association: Not Present

The flag salute was omitted

Changes to the Agenda: President Feige would like to include an executive session, per ORS 192.660(2)(i) to conduct a performance evaluation of Chief Medina following Board comments.

Director Kreutzer shared concerns that the executive session wasn't shared sooner. It was then cited that per the ORS it is permissible to hold the evaluation in a closed executive session. VP Niles and Secretary Hudson Gary stated they did not have objections to conducting an executive session.

VP Niles gave kudos for getting information out to the public regarding events, the use of social media and the retirement of Lieutenant Brody.

Consent Agenda: Director McLane moved to approve the consent agenda including the minutes from the March 9th meeting, check 72324-72461 for \$327,129.34 and the financial statement from February 28, 2021. Secretary Hudson 2nd the motion. Director Kreutzer asked about CrewSense and how it is used. It is staff scheduling software.

President Feige asked about the \$34,999 payment to OFDDA. It is the LOSAP payment approved by the Board in February.

Director Kreutzer asked about the payment for HSEMC. It is the District's annual contribution to the County Emergency Management system.

A financial summary document was included in the packet as FD Nelson is not in attendance.

Director Kreutzer asked about Microsoft (software licensing for the District) and NW Natural Gas. Which stations require natural gas?

No further discussion. Unanimous vote, motion approved.

Chief Reports:

Chief Medina gave kudos to volunteers Wacker, Anderson, Malone and Parshall. FF Ben Uhl also received several certifications recently. Captain Gorsuch completed his Bachelor's degree and FF Jim Christiansen received additional fire investigation certifications. He also commended FM Pedersen for finding an arson suspect from a fire in Rainier.

Fernhill siding is now complete. Goble should be done by the end of the fiscal year. HB476 is going to Rainier. There is also a 2 year extension for the Community Paramedic position.

VP Niles stated well done. All the things to better serve the public are important. President Feige appreciates their inclusion in the report as well.

Virtual meetings to continue due to changing County health restrictions.

Chief Smythe included a detailed report demonstrating the assets the District has sold via Govdeals. Over \$102,000 has been received by the District since 2018. Great job, Chief Smythe.

Old Business:

- A. Friday, April 30, 2021 Budget Committee meeting, via GoTo Meeting at 6:30 pm.
- B. Miscellaneous
 - a. None

New Business:

- A. Agenda Item: Cardiac Monitor Cases
 - a. Director McLane moved to approve. VP Niles 2nd the motion.
 - b. There was discussion about the need for cases to protect the new monitors that were approved in January. The total cost of the project is still below budget.
 - c. No further discussion
 - d. Unanimous vote, motion approved.
- B. Miscellaneous
 - a. FD Nelson is receiving her Master's degree this evening. Extreme gratitude was given for all she does. No additional discussion on the financial packet.

Board Comments:

VP Niles sees the District moving in a positive direction.

Director McLane echoed VP Niles sentiments and said all the achievements the District is working towards are fantastic.

Secretary Hudson gave congratulations and good job to everyone on their achievements.

Director Kreutzer had technical difficulties with the packet on his iPad. It was difficult to view. There was additional discussion regarding the monitor cases.

President Feige is encouraged by the direction the District is heading.

The Board went into executive session per ORS 192.660 (2)(i) at 7:36pm to evaluate the performance of Chief Executive.

The executive session began at 7:45 pm. The Board came out of executive session at 8:53pm.

Regular board meeting reconvened at 8:56 pm. Being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:57 pm.