

SILETZ VALLEY FIRE DISTRICT
Regular Board of Director's Meeting
Thursday March 18, 2021

CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Meeting of the Siletz Valley Fire District Board of Directors was called to order at 17:00 PM by Board of Directors President Reggie Butler. Also present were Board of Directors Rick Olson, Patti Skauge and Gerald Schmidt. Staff in attendance, Interim-Chief Brandon Hamilton.

GUEST INTRODUCTIONS

Brandon Webber

MINUTES

Regular minutes from meeting February 16, 2021 were approved by Patti Skauge. Director Skauge made the motion to approve the minutes from March 18th, 2021 as corrected with the correction by adding Gerry's swearing in. Director Olson seconded the motion. Motion passed with all ayes.

CORRESPONDENCE

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Director Schmit requested a copy of the Wildland Urban Interface grant submitted to Oregon State Fire Marshalls Office.

REVIEW and PAY BILLS

Motion was made to pay the bills by Director Skauge. 2nd by Director Olson. Motion passed with all ayes.

REPORTS

- a. **Financial Reports:** Chief Hamilton provided the financial reports from QuickBooks for the boards review. There was general discussion about public budgeting practices, laws, projected cash carry over. Motion was made to approve the financial report by Director Skauge and 2nd by Director Olsen. Motion passed with all ayes.
- b. **Volunteer Association:** Brandon Webber provided the report from the business and safety meetings. There was discussion about the passing of former Fire Chief Gene Fisher and the desire to send flowers for the service when the date is announced.
- c. **Committee Reports:** None

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

The board reviewed the fire chiefs monthly written report, and it was gone over verbally by the chief. April 4th the district will be changing their radio identification to 2 digits instead of 4 digits (R51 VS. 5231). Camp trailer that was at Logsdan station has now been removed by the owner. Chief recommended renewing the AD&D Insurance as a status quo for the coming budget year. There was

discussion about the status of the volunteers, Chief stated he had received application of two potential volunteers and has begun the onboarding process.

OLD BUSINESS

Lexipol Policy Review- Policy has changed in price since it was originally signed up for, increasing to almost \$2000 annually. There was discussion regarding budget impact. Director Olsen made a motion to approve to move forward and sign the agreement with Lexipol for the listed annual fee. Director Schmit 2nd the motion. Motion was passed with all ayes.

Security system at Logsden station- It was purchased and will be put up in the near future.

Jet Ski- We have taken possession of it and training will be provided before it goes in service.

Chief hiring process update- Chief presented a memo with a potential timeline and a couple different options for appointing a permanent fire chief. There was lengthy discussion regarding the process. There was a consensus that director Schmit will reach out to George Dunkel with SDAO regarding potential options for appointing the Interim Chief to the permanent position.

NEW BUSINESS

Budget committee members appointment- A motion was made by Director Olsen to appoint Mike Darcy and Leah Olsen for a two-year term expiring December 31, 2022 and Tj Palmer, Dave Eschelman and Lillie Butler for a four-year term expiring December 31, 2024. Director Schmit 2nd the motion. Motion passed with all ayes.

Budget Discussion- Chief provided an update on turnout expirations. Discussion followed regarding budget impacts. Chief is working on a couple different options for replacements, there was general discussion regarding budgetary priorities going forward. Items discussed were: Community outreach/engagement, quick response vehicle for the Logsden station, and turnout purchases.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

BOARD MEMEBERS COMMENT

Director Skauge and the rest of the board members thanked Chief Hamilton for what he has been doing.

ADJOURNMENT

Director Skauge motioned to adjourn. Director Olsen seconded the motion. Board Meeting adjourned at 18:19



President



Secretary