EVANS VALLEY FIRE DISTRICT # 6
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
REGULAR MEETING

Minutes of January 12, 2006

1. The meeting was called to Order by Vice Chairman Dennis Feeley at 6:30 P. M.

2. Roll Call: Larry Menteer, Larry Tuttle, Dennis Feeley, Keith Lynn, Chief Bill Fuller and Firefighter Association liaison Bobby Miller were present. Leslie Brooks and was absent

3. Consent of Agenda: It was moved by Larry Menteer and seconded by Keith Lynn that the Agenda be approved. The motion passed unanimously.

4. Approval of the Minutes: It was moved by Larry Menteer and seconded by Keith Lynn to approve the minutes of the December 8, 2005 Board of Directors Meetings. The motion passed unanimously.

5. Financial Report by Jackie Smedegaard. It was moved by Larry Tuttle and seconded by Larry Menteer that the Financial Report for December 6, 2005 to January 9, 2006 be approved. The motion passed unanimously.

6. Communications: Letter of Resignation from Rusty Riis was received.

7. OLD BUSINESS:
   A. SORC Report: Chief Fuller reported that SORC will be restructuring how it bills agencies. The current system is 20 years old and needs to be changed so that all agencies pay their fair share. However, for the upcoming fiscal year, the old plan will be used. Chief Fuller stated that SORC will require a document from the EVFD Board appointing him as the official representative on the SORC Board. Larry Tuttle moved to appoint Chief Fuller as the EVFD6 Representative for the SORC Board with Larry Menteer as the alternate representative. Keith Lynn seconded the motion which passed unanimously.
   B. Water Tank Project: Keith Lynn reported that the water tank is full. He plans to pump out some of the water in order to complete the plumbing. Next will be backfill and compaction and pulling electrical lines.
   C. Apparatus Financing and Purchase Update: Chief Fuller reported that the new rescue vehicle arrived in December and has been placed in service. Bids for the new tender will be received in February. A required letter assuring insurance is in effect for Flex-Lease has been sent.
   D. Board Member Training Policy Adoption: Chief Fuller reviewed a new Standard Operating Guidelines Policy regarding travel authorization and reimbursement. Larry Tuttle moved to adopt SOG Section 8.80, Employee Travel Authorization and Reimbursement Policy. Keith Lynn seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

8. NEW BUSINESS:
   A. Bids closed for “Tender for Sale”/acceptance of bid. Chief Fuller reported that there were no bids for the old tender, 6644, and that we were asking too much. Chief Fuller will
contact SDAO concerning disposal of public property which has little or no remaining economic life.

B. Dave Campbell/Special Districts insurance review: Dave Campbell reviewed a few legislative issues of interest to rural Fire Districts in Oregon: EMS personnel may apply for a $250 Tax Credit if they are more than 25 miles from a population center of 30,000 or more; and several Senate Bills regarding the collection of seismic information and issuance of bonds for seismic upgrades for rural Fire Departments. EVFD6’s insurance premium will be $500 less than last year. Dave urged the Board to consider an increase in vehicle and facility replacement costs. He also presented a review of the District’s Accidental Death Insurance Benefits and suggested we consider raising those benefits.

C. Approval of “Lettering & Stripping for Rescue Vehicle”: Chief Fuller presented three bids for lettering and stripping 6630. Keith Lynn moved to accept the quote from Logan Design in the amount of $785.00. Larry Menteer seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

D. Approval of Volunteer Uniform Purchase: Chief Fuller recommended that the District purchase heavy jackets for the Volunteers at a cost of $60.00, including lettering, from EMC. Keith Lynn moved to authorize $1000 for the purchase of Volunteer jackets. Larry Menteer seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

E. Notice of Memorandum Review: Chief Fuller and Firefighter Pawlick request to renegotiate their Memorandum of Understanding at the February 9, 2006 Regular Board of Director’s Meeting.

F. Web Site: Dennis Feeley stated that there no updates on the District’s web page about the recent flood and that official information from the District was unavailable due to all personnel being busy with flood issues. The need for a Public Information Officer, aside from the Fire Chief, was discussed; any PIO would need to be properly trained. Dennis Rasmussen from the Rogue River Press suggested a link from evfire.org to the River Press site for emergency information. Chief Fuller suggested a similar link to the SORC web site.

9. Chief's Report: (see attached) Also EVFD6 recently received word that the ISO (Insurance Services Office) inspection last year resulted in maintaining an 8B rating within 5 miles of the station and a rating of 10 beyond that.

10. Good of the Order: Keith Lynn suggested the District issue Honorary Member ID cards. Discussion followed about ID cards for all member of EVFD6. Dennis Rasmussen said that, in showing pictures of the recent Burn-to-Learn, he was questioned about the Fire District’s burning a house on a “no burn” day. Chief Fuller stated that the Jackson County Commissioners exempted EVFD6 from those regulations and that the Ventilation Index should be above 200. Larry Tuttle observed that on the day of the burn, there was more than adequate ventilation to dissipate the smoke. Dennis Feeley inquired if we’d heard anything from the Wimer Grange about acquiring the property across the street. Chief Fuller said that the property lines of the proposed acquisition were not adequate and new specifications had gone to the State Grange.

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Chief Fuller noted that the new Breathing Apparatus has been received and will be placed in service as soon as the new compressor arrives and is hooked up.
Firefighter Bobby Miller stated that he is the new Volunteer Association President and will serve as liaison to the Board of Directors. He issued an invitation to any Board Member to attend the monthly Association meeting.

11. Adjournment: Larry Menteer moved that the meeting be adjourned and Keith Lynn seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 P.M.

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Larry Tuttle
Secretary

Next Regular Meeting: ________________ February 9, 2006