

EVANS VALLEY FIRE DISTRICT # 6
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
REGULAR MEETING

Minutes of January 14, 2010

1. The meeting was called to Order by Board Chair Les Brooks at 6:30 P. M.
2. Roll Call: Les Brooks, Keith Lynn, Larry Tuttle, Dennis Feeley and Chief Bill Fuller were present. Tony Strickland was absent.
3. Consent of Agenda: It was moved by Keith Lynn and seconded by Dennis Feeley that the Agenda be approved. The motion passed unanimously.
4. Approval of the Minutes of the December 10, 2009 Board Meeting: It was moved by Dennis Feeley and seconded by Keith Lynn that the minutes of the December 10, 2009 Board Meeting be approved. The motion passed unanimously.
5. Financial Report by Jackie Smedegaard. It was moved by Keith Lynn and seconded by Dennis Feeley that the Financial Report for December 8, 2009 to January 11, 2010 be approved. The motion passed unanimously.
6. Communications: SORC Report (Steve Cosner) Work is continuing on co-lease and co-location with Medford as well as on union contract issues. July 1, 2010 is the target date for consolidation to become effective. Emergency Communications of Southern Oregon (ECSO) will be the name of the new agency. Margie Puckett will be the director. Medford will co-locate into the new center in late February. Green Springs has completed the creation of a new Fire District and is looking at contracts, radio issues, responses and entering addresses into CAD. Regarding the Statewide Consolidation Task Force: At the state level the military department reported to the legislators that there is a redundancy in 9-1-1 centers (51) – this is advisory not a recommendation. The legislator is upset that the military dept. outsourced this task. Help is being sought at the legislative level to stop the raid on 9-1-1 funds. Where other states have withheld 9-1-1 money, the Federal Government may withhold grants. The importance of attending ad hoc meetings was stressed as decisions on radio frequencies, budgets and staffing are being made. Margie Puckett was questioned on user fees for the next budget year; she reported a lot of guessing about contracts, personnel and many unknowns; expect a 17% to 22% increase; some increases will be due to first year expenses in the new building and consolidation; she anticipates better numbers in March; plan is to have three new supervisor positions.
7. OLD BUSINESS:
 - A. Surplus Water Tank Update: Keith Lynn reported that there've been no new developments. Still need to contact an engineer regarding the suitability of the tank to be used above ground; Larry Tuttle will look into contacts. Steve Cosner recalled that the legs on the old tank would need to be filled with sand or concrete in order to support the weight of a tank full of water.
 - B. Resident Volunteer Program: Nothing new to report.
8. NEW BUSINESS:
 - A. Audit Review: Chief Fuller talked about the Audit Review meeting with Rick Brewster. Larry Tuttle, who also attended the meeting, stressed the need to increase our Unappropriated Ending Fund Balance. Larry also discussed a decision to stay out of the PERS State Pool. Brewster stated we'd made the right decision as the District is in an excellent position regarding it's obligations to retired employees and this position would be diluted if we joined the State Pool.

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9. Chief's Report: (see attached)
10. Good of the Order: Dennis Feeley reported on the January Auxiliary meeting; Larry Tuttle had provided training on the District's sexual harassment policy; \$2000 was contributed to the purchase of cabinets for the Chief's office; the Auxiliary is looking to help the Grange with new tables, screens on some of the windows and roof repairs. Chief Fuller commended the Auxiliary for their help on the Grange.
11. Adjournment: Keith Lynn moved that the meeting be adjourned. Dennis Feeley seconded the motion which passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 7:17 PM.

Larry Tuttle
Secretary

Next Regular Meeting: _____ February 11, 2010 at 6:30 PM