

**EVANS VALLEY FIRE DISTRICT # 6
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
REGULAR MEETING**

Minutes of May 14, 2015

1. The meeting was called to Order by Board Chair Keith Lynn at 6:31 P. M.
2. Roll Call: Keith Lynn, Dennis Feeley, Larry Tuttle, Dale TenBroeck, Brian Chapman and Travis Crume were present. Chief Fuller was absent on vacation.
3. Consent of Agenda: It was moved by Dennis Feeley and seconded by Dale TenBroeck that the Agenda be approved. The motion passed unanimously.
4. Approval of the Minutes of the April 9, 2015 Regular Board Meeting: It was moved by Dale TenBroeck and seconded by Brian Chapman that the minutes of the April 9, 2015 Regular Board Meeting be approved. The motion passed unanimously.
5. Financial Report by Jackie Smedegaard: April 7 to May 11, 2015. It was moved by Larry Tuttle and seconded by Dale TenBroeck that the Financial Report for April 7 to May 11, 2015 be approved. The motion passed unanimously.
6. Communications: There was no ECSO 911 Intergovernmental Council meetings. The Board expressed great concern over recent issues with the uninterruptable power supply going down and ECSO 911 being temporarily unable to answer phones and dispatch alarms. The Board wishes to be kept updated on what's been done to correct this problem and to prevent it from happening in the future.
7. OLD BUSINESS:
 - A. Public Records & Public Meetings Policy: Travis Crume noted that Chief Fuller had requested that discussion of this policy be postponed until the June meeting. (*Secretary's Note: The District continues to make every effort to comply with laws regarding Oregon Public Records and Public Meetings.*)
8. NEW BUSINESS: (No New Business)
 - A. Annexation Request – Lisle & Christiansen: Travis Crume presented Petitions by Landowner for Annexation to a Rural Fire Protection District in Jackson County from Ellen Lisle and Carl Christiansen for properties on upper Pleasant Creek Road. Short discussion about the adequacy of a bridge across Pleasant Creek. Larry Tuttle moved to approve the Annexation Requests for territory at Twp 34S, Rng 4W, Sec. 15, TL's 504 and 505 subject to bridge inspection and approval. Dale TenBroeck seconded the motion which passed unanimously. Dale TenBroeck moved to approve the Annexation Request for territory at Twp 34S, Rng 4W, Sec 30, TL 100. Dennis Feeley seconded the motion which passed unanimously.
 - B. Trees Inc. Water Request Denial: Ron Wilson explained that crews from Trees Inc. will be working in our District towards the end of summer to trim tree limbs and brush from near power lines. Two "water wagons" will be used to keep the work area fire-safe and to quench any fire that might start during their work. Keeping the equipment full of water would require up to 2000 gallons of water per day to be taken from creeks. Trees Inc. would like to install a temporary pump and hose in the creek behind the old fire station to facilitate this. This location is central to their work area and the District would be able to use the setup to fill apparatus. The issue of water rights came up; Ron Wilson contended that authorization to

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remove water was not required since the water usage is for fire prevention and suppression. Dale TenBroeck noted that the District does not have water rights and, although it can and does take water for firefighting, it cannot give the water away to private parties. Brian Chapman suggested that the District authorize access for Trees Inc. to place their pump and hose. Travis Crume noted that last year a logger asked for water from behind the old fire station and was told to use Murphy Gulch instead. Travis expressed concern on where this leaves the District with having this pump in the creek and how to respond to inquiries about why Trees Inc. is drawing water on District land. Discussion on how Trees Inc. works to reduce fire hazard along Pacific Power's lines and how it is a benefit to the District and its residents to reduce this hazard. Dale TenBroeck moved to authorize Trees Inc. to set up a pump and hose on Fire District property. Any water which Trees Inc. takes from the creek is subject to the approval of the Water Master. Dennis Feeley seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

9. Chief's Report and Training Officer's Report (see attached): Travis Crume presented the Chief's Report and Travis also presented his Training Officer's Report.

10. Good of the Order: Dale TenBroeck reported on work he and Bill Gutel are doing on the back sections of the field behind the fire station. It's too dry for the rocks to come out; the field won't be completely smooth, but will work for parking and training. The Bridge radio station talked about the Fire Department recently. A suggestion was made to repair, complete and put the fuel tank in service. Ron Wilson noted that it needed a pump and that there were no keys to the pump door. The Office Staff has requested that Board members remove page 2 (detailing executive sessions) from the Board packets each month. Travis thanked Jessica Long for setting up the official Evans Valley Fire District #6 Facebook page. Bob Phillips also noted that he put EVFD6 on Twitter.

11. Adjournment: Dale TenBroeck moved that the meeting be adjourned. The meeting was adjourned at 7:28 PM.

Larry Tuttle
Secretary

Next Regular Meeting: _____ June 11, 2015 at 6:30 PM