EVANS VALLEY FIRE DISTRICT # 6
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
REGULAR MEETING

Minutes of December 13, 2018

1. The meeting was called to Order by Board Chair Keith Lynn at 6:33 P. M.

2. Roll Call: Keith Lynn, Dennis Feeley, Larry Tuttle, Dale TenBroeck, Sherill Boots Captain Davidson and Chief Crume were present.

3. Consent of Agenda: It was moved by Dale TenBroeck and seconded by Dennis Feeley that the Agenda be approved. The motion passed unanimously.

4. Approval of the Minutes of the November 8, 2018 Regular Board Meeting. It was moved by Dale TenBroeck and seconded by Dennis Feeley that the minutes of the November 8, 2018 Regular Board Meeting be approved. The motion passed unanimously.

5. Financial Reports by Jackie Smedegaard: November 2 to December 7, 2018. It was moved by Dennis Feeley and seconded by Sherill Boots that the Financial Reports for November 2 to December 7, 2018 be approved. The motion passed unanimously.


7. OLD BUSINESS:

   A. Surplus Fire Engine For Sale: Chief Crume reported that the surplus fire engine was sold for $5,000. Some well-used, surplus hose and nozzles were included. The engine was delivered December 7, with the title transferred at DMV. A logging outfit in Glendale purchased the engine. Not included in the sale is a model 3500 Honda generator which will be advertised for sale on the District’s web site as well as Craig’s List. Consensus of the Board is to let Chief Crume handle this sale for the benefit of the District.

   B. Volunteer Hiring Guidelines: Chief Crume presented the case for needing a revised Standard Operating Guideline for addressing Drug Screen and Criminal Background Investigations when accepting volunteers’ (student and community) applications to join the District staff. Crume went over the draft proposal of what will become Section 8.90 of our SOG’s with particular emphasis on Section 2, Criminal History. Discussion. Larry Tuttle will assist in writing Section 5, Board of Directors Applicant Review Process. Also, Section 6, DPSST Fire Certification Program Revocation and Denial, will be completed by Chief Crume.

8. NEW BUSINESS:

   A. Ethanol Extraction: Chief Crume commented on an eventful first two weeks as Chief. This included an open fire investigation from a suspicious structure fire in November. Of particular concern is the application being made by a party with a hemp farm who wants to do large scale ethanol extraction of Canabidiol (CBD). This all would be conducted on land zoned Exclusive Farm Use (EFU). Chief Crume researched the issue and inquired from Mark Northrop at Fire District 3 and Mike Gavlick of Rogue River Fire/Rescue concerning policies on Ethanol Extraction within their Districts. Both stated that Ethanol Extraction is banned on EFU areas but is permitted on land zoned for Industrial activities. Chief Crume explained the hazards of industrial operations involving quantities of ethanol should an accident (fire) occur and the District’s ability to protect adjacent properties, especially during fire season. Further
concern was expressed for requesting mutual aid to fight a fire at an industrial operation in an EFU zone from Districts which do not permit such activities. Jackson County considers zoning by hazard but has deferred to local Fire Districts for approval of cases such as these. Investors in this operation have said they are willing to come before the EVFD6 Board, Mark Northrop and Mike Gavlick to make their case. Discussion. More information will be requested for presentation at the January, 2019 Board meeting.

B. Annexation Request: Kevin O’Hara at 17939 East Evans Creek Road (34S, 3W, Sec. 26, TL 200) has requested annexation into the Fire District. This land is contingent to land already within District boundaries. Dale TenBroeck moved to authorize annexation of this parcel. Dennis Feeley seconded the nomination which passed unanimously.

C. Tax Levy: Chief Crume noted that work needs to start in preparation for the May 2, 2019 vote on the proposed Tax Levy. Earlier discussions had place the proposed levy at $1.00 per thousand valuation which would bring EVFD6’s total tax levy to approximately Rogue River Fire/Rescue’s combined levies. Consensus to let Chief Crume proceed with the necessary paperwork. The Board will then review and approve the formalized measure at the January, 2019 Board meeting. Discussion.

9. Chief’s Report and Training Officer’s Report (see attached): Chief Crume presented the Chief’s Report and Captain Davidson presented the Training Officer’s Report.

10. Good of the Order:
   • Dale TenBroeck announced that the TenBroecks’ annual open house will be this coming Saturday, December 15.
   • Chief Crume gave a shout out to Riteway Heating and Air for servicing our heating/cooling units free of charge.

11. Adjournment: Dale TenBroeck moved that the meeting be adjourned. The meeting was adjourned at 7:41 PM.

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Larry Tuttle
Secretary

Next Regular Meeting: January 10, 2019 at 6:30 PM