

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

Minutes of March 11, 2021

1. The meeting was called to Order by Board Chair Larry Tuttle at 6:30 PM.
2. Roll Call: Larry Tuttle, Dennis Feeley, Kathryn Henning, Dale Ten Broeck, Patricia Ott and Chief Crume were present.
3. Consent of Agenda: It was moved by Dale Ten Broeck and seconded by Dennis Feeley that the Agenda be approved. The motion passed unanimously.
4. Approval of the Minutes of the February 11, 2021 Regular Board Meeting: It was moved by Dale Ten Broeck and seconded by Dennis Feeley that the minutes of the February 11, 2021 Regular Board Meeting be approved. The motion passed unanimously.
5. Financial Reports by Jackie Smedegaard:
 - A. February 6, 2021 to March 5, 2021. It was moved by Dennis Feeley and seconded by Patricia Ott that the Financial Report for February 6, 2021 to March 5, 2021 be approved. The motion passed unanimously.
6. Communications: ECSO Report: Kathryn Henning reported that the ECSO Proposed FY 2021/2022 Budget Presentation will be held on April 6, 2021 via Zoom.
7. OLD BUSINESS:
 - A. Pump House Project: Chief Crume reported that he's still waiting on Pacific Power's engineering department to get back with a proposal on work needed and associated cost. With fire season approaching, the cistern is there and usable. There just isn't a pump. An aluminum box was constructed to protect the pipes. Since Quinn's has done 80% of the work already, and the project is waiting on the power portion from Pacific Power, a motion was made by Dale Ten Broeck and seconded by Patricia Ott to pay an additional 25% of the outstanding 50%. The remaining 25% would then be paid when the project is completed. The motion passed unanimously.
 - B. FEMA PA: Chief Crume discussed the FEMA PA grant situation. After the request went through multiple rounds of review, it was denied. The AccuFit Pro that was requested is not eligible for PA funding.
 - C: 2020 SAFER Grant: Vickers didn't have time to work on it. Chief Crume completed the grant request and submitted it asking for \$750,680.97 for 3 full-time fire fighters for 3 years. We should hear back in April.

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D: Hazardous Vegetation Ordinance: Chief Crume discussed some of his concerns with the current requirements in the draft Weed Ordinance put together by Jackson County Fire District 3 and highlighted some areas that should be cut. Discussion. Funds aren't available to enforce this. The hazard abatement requirements differ based on parcel size. Supporting this ordinance is non-mandatory, and at least one other Fire District is not on board. A motion was made by Dale Ten Broeck and seconded by Dennis Feeley that Chief Crume would send an email stating that we strongly oppose this ordinance. The motion was passed unanimously.

8. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Chief's Vacation: Chief Crume provided the dates of his vacation. Coverage will be provided by Captain Tom Davidson and duty officers while he is away.

B. WUI Grant: A Wildland Urban Interface (WUI) assistance grant application was submitted in the total amount of \$196,486.50. Of this amount, \$181,500 is for the acquisition of a Type 6 Wildland Apparatus, and \$14,968.50 is for Bendix King radios. If awarded, the Type 6 Wildland Apparatus would replace what we currently have.

C: Seasonal Staffing: Chief Crume discussed plans to hire 4 temporary seasonal summer firefighters for the 2021 fire season. Part of the funds for this are in the current FY 2020/2021 budget with the remaining funds in the FY 2021/2022 budget.

D. Website/IT: Bob Phillips, the Webmaster for many years, will no longer be doing our website. A new website is currently in the testing phase and will be powered by Streamline. The new version is ADA compliant and will size to the device it is displayed on. It will go live in 2-3 weeks.

9. Chief's Report and Training Officer's Report (see attached): Chief Crume presented the Chief's Report and the Training Officer's Report. Highlights include noting that there were 31 alarms in the month of February covered with 20 response volunteers (as of February 28).

10. Good of the Order: There was a request to rent out the field for a farmer's market which was denied since the Fire District is not in the business of renting out the field.

- Auxiliary Meeting Date: First Thursday of Each Month.

- Association Meeting Date: First Tuesday of Each Month.

11. Adjournment: Dale Ten Broeck moved that the meeting be adjourned. The meeting was adjourned at 7:46 PM.

Kathryn Henning
Secretary

Next Regular Meeting: May 13, 2021 at 6:30 PM