

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

**Minutes of April 14, 2022**

1. The meeting was called to Order by Board Chair Larry Tuttle at 6:29 PM.
2. Roll Call: Larry Tuttle, Patricia Ott, Kathryn Henning, Dale Ten Broeck, Heather Friend and Chief Crume were present.
3. Consent of Agenda: It was moved by Dale Ten Broeck and seconded by Heather Friend that the Agenda be approved. The motion passed unanimously.
4. A. Approval of the Minutes of the March 10, 2022 Regular Board Meeting: It was moved by Patricia Ott and seconded by Dale Ten Broeck that the minutes of the March 10, 2022 Regular Board Meeting be approved. The motion passed unanimously.
5. Financial Reports by Jackie Smedegaard:
  - A. March 5, 2022 to April 8, 2022. It was moved by Kathryn Henning and seconded by Heather Friend that the Financial Report for March 5, 2022 to April 8, 2022 be approved. The motion passed unanimously.
6. Communications:
  - A. ECSO Report: Kathryn Henning noted that there was nothing new to report.
7. OLD BUSINESS:
  - A. Oregon Rural Fire District Partnership: Chief Crume presented an overview of the Oregon Rural Fire Protection Partnership Program that he is proposing as a potential solution to the current shortfalls that exist for most fire agencies throughout the state. Most have available equipment but no funding to cover personnel costs. Senate Bill 762 will impose a new financial burden for fire districts within a Wildland-Urban Interface (WUI). The partnership seeks funding at a state level to allow rural fire agencies to hire staffing for participation in the state's mobilization plan and to reduce fuels in the WUI.
8. NEW BUSINESS:
  - A. Policy Review: Chief Crume presented five revised policies. They are revisions of current policies being worked in the new format.
    1. Violence-Free Workplace Policy P-306: The Violence-Free Workplace Policy P-306 is a revision of Section 8.84. Discussion. A motion was made by Heather Friend and seconded by Patricia Ott to approve the Violence-Free Workplace Policy P-306 as written. The motion passed unanimously.
    2. Drug and Alcohol Policy P-307: The Drug and Alcohol Policy P-307 is a revision of Section 1.20. Discussion. Some revisions to verbiage and content were proposed.

The updates will be made, and this policy will be revisited at a future Board meeting.

3. Pre-Employment Screening Policy P-308: The Pre-Employment Screening Policy P-308 is a revision of Section 8.90. Discussion. A minor change was suggested. A motion was made by Patricia Ott and seconded by Heather Friend to approve the Pre-Employment Screening Policy P-308 with the suggested change. The motion passed unanimously.
  4. Personal Appearance Policy P-309: The Personal Appearance Policy P-309 is a revision of Section 8.28. Discussion. One line was struck from the proposed policy. A motion was made by Heather Friend and seconded by Dale Ten Broeck to approve the Personal Appearance Policy P-309 as amended with one line struck from the content. The motion passed unanimously.
  5. Loss Control Policy P-310: The Loss Control Policy P-310 is a revision of Section 8.92. Discussion. A motion was made by Dale Ten Broeck and seconded by Patricia Ott to approve the Loss Control Policy P-310 as written. The motion passed unanimously.
- B. Fire Officer 3 & 4: Chief Crume will be attending Fire Officer 3 & 4 classes the weeks of May 9-13, 2022 and May 16-20, 2022. Operations Chief Davidson will be the Duty Officer while Chief Crume is away.
  - C. Propane: Chief Crume discussed a cost saving opportunity. We currently use Blue Star Gas for the Fire District's propane needs. Board member Dale Ten Broeck mentioned previously that Ferrellgas could potentially provide a better deal resulting in a savings of over a dollar per gallon. Chief Crume discussed the current prices for both companies. By making this change, the Fire District will also not incur the lease costs for the tanks. A motion was made by Dale Ten Broeck and seconded by Kathryn Henning to switch from Blue Star Gas to Ferrellgas. The motion passed unanimously.
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 56 alarms in the month of March covered with 17 response volunteers (as of March 31). The Fire District is on track to run 600 calls this year. 2021 was the first year to exceed 500 calls.
10. Good of the Order:
    - Auxiliary Meeting Date: First Thursday of Each Month as needed at 6:30 PM.
    - Association Meeting Date: First Tuesday of Each Month at 6:30 PM.
11. Adjournment: Kathryn Henning moved that the meeting be adjourned. The meeting was adjourned at 7:21 PM.

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Kathryn Henning  
Secretary

Next Regular Meeting: May 12, 2022 at 6:30 PM