

Regular Meeting 04-11-2022 1

DOUGLAS OKANOGAN COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT 15
APPROVED MINUTES

Ambulance Hall

Brewster, WA

A regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Douglas Okanogan County Fire District 15 was called to order by Chairman Lonnie Fenton at 6:02 p.m. at the Ambulance Hall.

IN ATTENDANCE: Commissioners Lonnie Fenton, Chris Bailey, Kris Erlandsen and F. Eric Zahn, Secretary Kaylee Jensen, EMS Director Tonya Vallance and District Chief Bill Vallance, Methow Station Chief Joe Kitzman, Brewster Station Chief Victor Vargas and Rocky Butte Station Chief Sal Rodriguez

REMOTE ATTENDANCE BY PHONE OR COMPUTER: Commissioner Tim Baird

Consent Agenda

Board Consent Agenda

Minutes 03/14/2022 regular meeting

Vouchers 03-28-2022, 04-11-2022

Fire District

March 28, 2022 Financials amounting to \$1,249.97

March 28, 2022 Payroll amounting to \$6,399.46

April 11, 2022 Financials amounting to \$5,839.58

April 11, 2022 Payroll amounting to \$6,428.08

Ambulance

March 28, 2022 Financials amounting to \$4,196.73

March 28, 2022 Payroll amounting to \$17,483.93

April 11, 2022 Financials amounting to \$18,497.52

April 11, 2022 Payroll amounting to \$21,368.82

Lonnie/Eric moved and seconded to approve all items on the Board Consent Agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

SECRETARY REPORT: The March Secretary report was studied by the Commissioners. Okanogan County MOU funds were received for January and February vaccine clinics and some testing.

Chief Vallance reported funds were received for 2021 reimbursement for personnel on State Mobe.

DISTRICT FIRE CHIEF REPORT: Chief Vallance reported a document was received for the Methow Boundary line adjustment which he signed with a notary. This adjustment adds 30'x 150' to the land at Methow. Chief Vallance asked Commissioners how large they want to expand the Methow Fire Station and the consensus was as large as possible. Planning for the addition was discussed.

DNR Seasonal employment position was advertised on Worksource, the District website and an e-website and no applicants have applied. Chief Vallance is looking to see if volunteers can commit to some special assignment shifts to man the truck.

Chief Vallance reported a DNR Phase 1 grant for about \$3000 worth of equipment was received.

SOP/SOG COMMITTEE REPORT: Nothing to report.

PATEROS REPORT: Chief Kerry Heen was absent.

BREWSTER REPORT: Chief Victor Vargas reported firefighters responded to 2 MVA incidents, 2 brush fires, and 3 false alarms cancelled in route. R&M is being completed on brush trucks to put back in service after being recalled from winter storage. Firefighters participated in Life flight training.

ROCKY BUTTE REPORT: Chief Sal Rodriguez reported firefighters participated in Life flight training and Pack tests are coming up. Firefighters completed R&M on brush trucks and pumps.

METHOW REPORT: Chief Joe Kitzman reported firefighters responded to a structure fire which was contained to the deck and received a call for a burn pile which was cancelled. Firefighters received pump ops and Life flight training.

EMS DIRECTOR REPORT: Tonya reported some legislative changes had been made to the OPMA and provided a copy of the guidance from the attorney to Commissioners. COVID19 update was given. An increase of the BA.2 variant was being seen in the state. H2 workers have been arriving. Vaccine Clinics will be held weekly at ambulance hall and a minimum of 2 times a month at the Pateros Station. Tonya believed funding would be available until at-least July and possibly through the end of the year. USDA grant update was discussed. At the direction of the USDA additional forms were completed for the additional funding request and everything was completed which provided a good reason for appeal of the funding shortage. It is now expected that the District will receive the full amount that was offered.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 6:33 PM.

Kaylee Jensen, Board Secretary

Lonnie Fenton, Chairman