

Regular Meeting 08-08-2022 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 6:22 p.m. at the Ambulance Hall. *Delay start-Remote attendees were in the call cue on hold until the District Chief returned from an MVA and Fire incident.*

IN ATTENDANCE: Commissioners Kris Erlandsen, Secretary Kaylee Jensen, EMS Director Tonya Vallance, District Chief Bill Vallance and Brewster Station Chief Victor Vargas

REMOTE ATTENDANCE BY PHONE OR COMPUTER: Commissioners Lonnie Fenton, Chris Bailey, Tim Baird and F. Eric Zahn

Consent Agenda

Board Consent Agenda

Minutes 07/11/2022 regular meeting

Vouchers 07-25-2022, 08-08-2022

Fire District

July 25, 2022 Financials amounting to \$1,216.09

July 25, 2022 Payroll amounting to \$13,923.70

August 08, 2022 Financials amounting to \$10,811.78

August 08, 2022 Payroll amounting to \$4,280.06

Ambulance

July 25, 2022 Financials amounting to \$199,642.59

July 25, 2022 Payroll amounting to \$17,089.17

August 08, 2022 Financials amounting to \$5,431.05

August 08, 2022 Payroll amounting to \$13,233.31

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

SECRETARY REPORT: The July Secretary report was studied by the Commissioners.

DISTRICT FIRE CHIEF REPORT: Chief Vallance reported the Fire District took possession of the Honda Pioneer UTV that was donated by Gebbers Farms on August 4th, 2021. Discussion held.

Apparatus update was given. International Chassis still have not been received. Spartan is moving ahead with the build process on the 2 Fire trucks, while waiting for the delivery of the International Chassis.

B1521 is out of service until parts are received and R&M can be completed.

SOP/SOG COMMITTEE REPORT: District Chief reported a SOP meeting will be held to review the draft Utility Terrain Vehicle SOP with Chiefs and draft the final policy. A draft copy was provided to Commissioners prior to the meeting.

PATEROS REPORT: Chief Kerry Heen was absent. Chief Vallance reported Pateros firefighters responded to 4 MVA incidents, 2 wildland calls, and 1 activated fire alarm. Firefighter training included wildland chainsaw use, pump ops class and rope rescue. Station officers attended the Okanogan County Emergency Management meeting.

BREWSTER REPORT: Chief Victor Vargas reported firefighters responded to 3 wildland fires, 2 MVA incidents, 1 structure fire, and 3 assist calls to Pateros, Rocky Butte and Bridgeport. Vehicle maintenance was completed.

ROCKY BUTTE REPORT: Chief Sal Rodriguez was absent.

METHOW REPORT: Chief Joe Kitzman was absent. Chief Vallance reported firefighters responded to 1 MVA incident. Firefighters participated in pump ops and wildland hose lays training. Chief Vallance will follow up and see that everything is complete with the property line adjustment so the District can prepare to go to bid and get the extra bay built.

EMS DIRECTOR REPORT: Tonya reported no applications have been received for the open EMT positions. Tonya asked Commissioners what their thoughts are on possibly offering a sign on bonus with commitment term by contract. Employment ads are currently listed on the Districts website, social media page, regional EMS website and WorkSource. Commissioners agreed other advertising sites may need to be used and possibly a sign on bonus may be required to fill the positions.

COVID19 update was given. The District continues to do health checks and vaccine clinics.

FMAG update was given. All items submitted have been approved and funding is expected to be at 100 percent reimbursement rate.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 6:45 PM.

Kaylee Jensen, Board Secretary

Lonnie Fenton, Chairman