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Brewster, WA

A regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Douglas Okanogan County Fire District 15 was called to order by Commissioner Lonnie Fenton at 7:02 p.m.

REMOTE ATTENDANCE BY PHONE OR COMPUTER: Commissioners Kris Erlandsen, Chris Bailey, Lonnie Fenton, Tim Baird, and F. Eric Zahn, Secretary Kaylee Jensen, EMS Director Tonya Vallance, District Chief Bill Vallance, Methow Station Chief Joe Kitzman, Pateros Station Chief Kerry Heen, Brewster Station Chief Victor Vargas, Rocky Butte Station Captain Sal Rodriguez, Bruce Henne, Carlene Anders, and guest Steve Brewer (True North Emergency Sales Rep)

***Consent Agenda***

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Minutes 03/08/2021 regular meeting,

Vouchers 03-22-2021, 04-12-2021

Fire District

March 22, 2021 Financials amounting to \$3,587.47

March 22, 2021 Payroll amounting to \$5,220.19

April 12, 2021 Financials amounting to \$53,516.06

April 12, 2021 Payroll amounting to \$5,861.94

Ambulance

March 22, 2021 Financials amounting to \$49,040.17

March 22, 2021 Payroll amounting to \$14,092.30

April 12, 2021 Financials amounting to \$7,023.49

April 12, 2021 Payroll amounting to \$21,127.59

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

SECRETARY REPORT: The March Secretary report was provided to the Commissioners prior to the meeting.

FEMA, MOU, First Aid & CPR revenue was discussed.

DISTRICT FIRE CHIEF REPORT: Chief Vallance reported an estimate was received from True North Emergency Equipment for the purchase of two 4WD Class A pumper trucks. A sales presentation was provided to Commissioners. The cost of two new trucks was estimated at \$746,230 plus tax and the build time is currently at 390 days.

Sales rep Steve Brewer was invited to the meeting and was on the line. A lengthy discussion was held regarding finance, warranty, service, bid alternative through Source well and all the pertinent details. Financing options include finance through Rev at a rate given of 2.98% or go out to Local Loan. The estimate was valid for 30 days and included about \$20,000 in discounts if contract signed by the end of the month. It was uncertain whether the District could finance through Rev and then go out to local loan to pay off the debt at a lower interest rate. No payment would be due for 12 months if financed through Rev other than a \$13,000 prepayment which includes a performance bond fee. A special meeting was scheduled for April 19, 2021 at 6pm to continue the discussion and take any action necessary at that time.

Bridgeport Contract was signed, and a truck (05 Dodge B1551) will be taken over there for Bridgeport to respond in the District.

SOP/SOG COMMITTEE REPORT: Nothing to report.

PATEROS REPORT: Chief Kerry Heen reported firefighters assisted EMS on a few calls. Firefighters completed MVA Extrication, ladders and wildland training and are prepping trucks for wildland season. Firefighters Bruce Henne and Ray Sandy were appointed to fill the positions of safety officer and training officer. Firefighters attended a football game and celebrated a birthday by doing a drive by. Firefighters will be touring some of the industrial properties on Industrial Way to see what kind of hazardous materials are stored and will be completing a walkthrough at Rivers by Ed's Mudville Restaurant and gas station in Pateros.

BREWSTER REPORT: Chief Victor Vargas reported a few false alarms were received at the hospital. Firefighters responded to a few brush fires, a structure fire, a wind machine fire and two tractor accidents. Firefighters completed hydrant training.

ROCKY BUTTE REPORT: Captain Sal Rodriguez reported firefighters completed training with Brewster firefighters. Rocky Butte Station received a battery powered Combi Tool Extrication equipment.

METHOW REPORT: Chief Joe Kitzman reported Methow firefighters assisted EMS on a few calls. Firefighters completed ladders training and serviced Methow hydrants.

EMS DIRECTOR REPORT: Tonya reported the District entered into an agreement with Okanogan County Public Health to facilitate vaccines at Pateros and Brewster Stations. Discussion held.

Resolution 02-2021 Interfund Loan repayment

Tim/Chris moved and seconded to approve Resolution 02-2021 Interfund Loan repayment. Motion carried unanimously.

NEW/UNFINISHED BUSINESS: The District was notified of an upcoming Department of Retirement Compliance Audit. Notification will be sent to the board members prior to the Audit.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:19 PM.

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Kaylee Jensen, Board Secretary

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Lonnie Fenton, Chairman