

Regular Meeting 09-13-2021 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 7:00 p.m. at the Ambulance Hall.

IN ATTENDANCE: Commissioners Kris Erlandsen, Chris Bailey, Lonnie Fenton, 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, and Rocky Butte Station Captain Sal Rodriguez and firefighter Bruce Henne

REMOTE ATTENDANCE BY PHONE OR COMPUTER: Commissioners Tim Baird and Carlene Anders

Consent Agenda

Board Consent Agenda

Minutes 08/09/2021 regular meeting, 08/16/2021 special meeting

Vouchers 08-23-2021, 09-13-2021

Fire District

August 23, 2021 Financials amounting to \$45,796.50

August 23, 2021 Payroll amounting to \$11,209.29

September 13, 2021 Financials amounting to \$18,769.96

September 13, 2021 Payroll amounting to \$7,456.09

Ambulance

August 23, 2021 Financials amounting to \$16,810.08

August 23, 2021 Payroll amounting to \$15,003.90

September 13, 2021 Financials amounting to \$12,172.23

September 13, 2021 Payroll amounting to \$18,438.68

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

SECRETARY REPORT: The August Secretary report was studied by the Commissioners. Sale of tax title property revenue and Timber excise admin fee was explained.

DISTRICT FIRE CHIEF REPORT: Chief Vallance reported the DNR Coop truck has responded to several State Mobe fires. Discussion held.

A meeting was held with the station officers to discuss current protocol and vaccine mandates. Volunteer firefighters will not be responding to MVA or providing medical aid if they are unvaccinated. Discussion held.

Chief Vallance reported 397 calls have been received this year.

A District wide fire training event will be held October 30, 2021. Lunch will be offered to participants.

SOP/SOG COMMITTEE REPORT: Nothing to report.

PATEROS REPORT: Chief Kerry Heen reported firefighters responded to 5 MVA incidents, 4 wildland fires, 2 structure fires along with Brewster firefighters. Firefighters completed pump ops, hose lays and extrication training with the new battery-operated tools. Firefighter Bruce Henne provided standby at the Pateros boat races. R&M was completed on E1511 and T1511. Discussion held.

BREWSTER REPORT: Chief Victor Vargas reported firefighters responded to 4 MVA incidents, 4 wildland fires, a power pole fire, a Combine fire, and an RV fire. Firefighters completed ladder training, an EVIP, and an obstacle course training.

ROCKY BUTTE REPORT: Captain Sal Rodriguez reported firefighters responded to an illegal burn call which turned out to be more of a smoke investigation, no fire was located. Firefighters responded to a Combine fire and an RV fire. Firefighters continue to train with Brewster firefighters.

METHOW REPORT: Chief Joe Kitzman reported Methow was quiet. A few false alarm calls were received and cancelled. Firefighters completed SCBA, wildland training and maintenance on trucks. Chief Kitzman reported he spoke to Bill Tackman regarding a boundary line adjustment to the fire station property and the adjacent schoolhouse property. A private party is forming a non-profit and the property line adjustment will be at no cost to the District. Discussion held.

EMS DIRECTOR REPORT: Tonya reported a data sharing agreement was received from the SAO. Attorney Brian Snure has reviewed it and is working with the SAO to make some changes to the agreement before it will be presented for approval. Discussion held. COVID19 update was given. Discussion held.

LEOFF Section 218

LEOFF Section 218 agreement was discussed. Employees voted to not enter into an agreement to participate in Social Security in 2012. Discussion held. Kris/Chris moved and seconded to allow LEOFF employees to vote again on the Section 218 participation in Social Security. Motion carried.

NEW/UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:48 PM.

Kaylee Jensen, Board Secretary

Lonnie Fenton, Chairman