

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 Ike Vallance at 7:00 p.m. at the Ambulance Hall.

IN ATTENDANCE: Commissioners Chris Bailey, Lonnie Fenton, F. Eric Zahn and Ike Vallance, Secretary Kaylee Jensen, EMS Director Tonya Vallance, District Chief Bill Vallance, Methow Station Chief Joe Kitzman, Pateros Station Chief Keith Zweigle, Brewster Station Chief Victor Vargas, Firefighter Jeff Harmier and Guest Helen Zahn

Supplemental Budget Hearing

Notification of the Public hearing was published in the Quad City Herald on February 28 and March 07, 2019

The meeting was open for a Public hearing at 7:00pm to discuss a supplemental budget to the Fire District 2019 Budget. The Supplemental Budget was necessary to appropriate grant money received from AFG FEMA Grant for SCBA and equipment grant expenditures.

No public comment.

Chairman Ike Vallance announced end of the public hearing at 7:05pm.

Commissioner Fenton arrived at the meeting at 7:09 PM.

Consent Agenda

Board Consent Agenda

Minutes 2/11/19

Vouchers 2-25-19, 03-11-19

Fire District

February 25, 2019 Financials amounting to \$4,430.22

February 25, 2019 Payroll amounting to \$4,566.48

March 11, 2019 Financials amounting to \$238,934.67

March 11, 2019 Payroll amounting to \$2,854.75

Ambulance

February 25, 2019 Financials amounting to \$4,119.39

February 25, 2019 Payroll amounting to \$15,550.72

March 11, 2019 Financials amounting to \$7,105.03

March 11, 2019 Payroll amounting to \$11,061.99

Ike/Chris moved and seconded to approve all items on the Board Consent Agenda.

Motion carried.

SECRETARY REPORT:

The February Secretary report was studied by the Commissioners.

DISTRICT FIRE CHIEF REPORT: Chief Vallance reported a new DNR Co-op Agreement would cover a 5 year period and requested approval to sign the agreement. Commissioners approved the request. Advertisement for the Engine Boss position is advertised on the District Facebook page and would be submitted to Work Source and other advertising sources.

The District held the volunteer appreciation dinner March 9th. Discussion held.

A draft letter was prepared in support of Okanogan County Emergency Communications sales tax of .1%. Discussion held.

Eric/Chris moved and seconded to approve the letter of support to be printed on District letterhead, signed and returned to Okanogan County. Motion carried.

Commissioners were invited to attend a LIVE fire training burn March 16th.

Resolution 01-2019 Supplemental Budget

Chris/Lonnie moved and seconded to approve the supplemental budget in the amount of \$237,405. Motion carried.

A presentation of the SCBA and equipment acquired with the AFG grant funds was provided.

SOP/SOG COMMITTEE REPORT: Captain Victor Vargas reported the committee met and a draft copy of the responding POV section was emailed to committee members. A copy was handed out to commissioners at prior meeting.

An Engine operator position was discussed to free up responding firefighters currently manning the trucks and recruiting volunteers who only want to drive Tender or Engine.

PATEROS REPORT: Chief Keith Zweigle reported firefighters responded to 3 MVA incidents and a structure fire. SCBA quarterlies and Wildland training is scheduled.

METHOW REPORT: Chief Joe Kitzman reported firefighters participated in Scene size up and chimney fire training.

Methow has a few new recruits attending class and one returning firefighter.

Radio Equipment R&M needs to be done.

BREWSTER REPORT: Captain Victor Vargas reported firefighters responded to 2 structure fires, a shop, barn and garage structure and a few MVA incidents.

Firefighters participated in training at Rocky Butte maze and vehicle maintenance was completed.

Firefighters assisted Rocky butte with a structure fire call.

ROCKY BUTTE REPORT: Captain Sal Rodriguez, unable to attend, gave his report to Chief Vallance. Firefighters responded to a structure fire call at a daycare that turned out to be a furnace blowing smoke.

Discussion held.

EMS DIRECTOR REPORT: Tonya reported funding was secured for the regional training attendance.

Resolution 02-2019 Refund

Lonnie/Eric moved and seconded a motion to approve a refund to Medicare in the amount of \$427.10. Motion carried.

NEW/UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Commissioners were reminded PDC reports are due April 15, 2019. A few forms were given out to those that wanted them.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:08 PM.