

**Sublimity Fire District
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, July 11, 2007**

Meeting called to order: by Gary Rychard at 7:00 p.m.

Swearing In: Jim Heater, Ralph Fisher (re-elected) and Jeff Kropf (re-elected) were sworn in before beginning their new terms of service.

Members present: Rick Kauffman, Gary Rychard, Ralph Fisher, Jim Heater, Jeff Kropf

Staff present: Chief Tim Frost, Office Administrator Amy Manning

Others present: Gene Ditter, Brandon Hamilton, Mike Patrick, Angela Hargin

Additions/Deletions to Agenda: None

Citizen Comments: None

Firefighters Association Input: Brandon Hamilton said that the association is getting everything set for the Cowboy Breakfast. \$600 has already been donated. Gene Ditter explained that the association purchased two grills and a commercial refrigerator. Angela Hargin will be heading up the Turkey Shoot this year and she's already started working on it.

Reading of Minutes:

MOTION: Ralph Fisher moved to approve the minutes for June 13, 2007. Jeff Kropf seconded. Motion passed; a voice vote was unanimous.

Communications:

SCTC: Amy explained that Don Rickman from SCTC sent the district a letter and a check for \$100 in appreciation for the open house. He felt that it was a great community event and wrote that SCTC would like to help sponsor next year by paying for the food/drinks.

Baltimore FF Death: Chief Frost distributed an article about a Baltimore firefighter death and liability issues resulting from it.

OSHA Consultation Report: The district called OSHA and requested a complimentary walkthrough. The walkthrough took place June 14th. The board was presented with the consultant's report. Chief Frost has already begun making some of the suggested changes.

Payment of Bills: Chief Frost and Amy Manning reviewed expenditures for the board. Chief Frost noted that the district came in about \$60,000 under what was budgeted for FY 2006-07.

MOTION: Jeff Kropf moved to pay the bills for June. Ralph Fisher seconded. Motion passed; a voice vote was unanimous.

Chief's Report:

Alarms: Chief Frost reviewed alarms for June.

Generator: The generator has arrived; the district is still waiting on extending the natural gas line and getting the electrical hooked up. We're looking at two sites for the generator-it will depend on the cost of the gas line extension versus the cost of concrete.

Training Burn: Firefighter Nick Lane was injured in the prep for the burn. He got his finger smashed between a water heater and a pipe. It required five stitches. Chief Frost then explained a snafu by the gas company regarding the natural gas not getting shut off. It was all taken care of before the burn started.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

Audit renewal: The letter from Boldt, Carlisle & Smith did not contain a price, so the board didn't feel comfortable taking any action at this time.

Good of the Order:

- SDAO will be holding board member training.
- Amy talked about the Fire Corps and its new members, including Photographer Roy Gunn and Historian Harriet Miller
- Gary Rychard congratulated Ralph Fisher and Jeff Kropf on their re-election and Jim Heater on his election to the board.
- Board elections:

MOTION: Ralph Fisher moved to follow past practices of moving members up through the chair position and to elect Rick Kauffman secretary/treasurer. Gary Rychard seconded. Motion passed; unanimous. (Jeff Kropf is now president and Ralph Fisher is now vice-president).

Adjourn:

MOTION: Jeff Kropf moved to adjourn the meeting. Rick Kauffman seconded. Motion passed; unanimous. Meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by Amy Manning

Approved by Jeff Kropf