

**Sublimity Fire District
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, September 12, 2007**

Meeting called to order: by Jeff Kropf at 7:05 p.m.

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

Staff present: Chief Tim Frost, Amy Manning

Others present: Gene Ditter, Brandon Hamilton

Additions/Deletions to Agenda: None

Citizen Comments: None

Firefighters Association Input: Gene Ditter said that things were fairly quiet for the association. The Turkey Shoot is coming up in November. There are two new volunteers; one is a returning member. There are also two new sleepers. Brandon Hamilton added that it was a record year for the Cowboy Breakfast, with the association earning a profit of just under \$3000. Rick Kauffman suggested that there be a way to stabilize the breakfast tables.

Reading of Minutes:

MOTION: Rick Kauffman moved to approve the minutes for August 8, 2007. Ralph Fisher seconded. Motion passed; a voice vote was unanimous.

Communications:

LifeLine Screening Results: LifeLine sent results from the health screenings performed at the fire station in June.

Pine Valley RFPD thanks: Pine Valley sent the dept a thank-you for the SCBAs that were donated.

Payment of Bills: Chief Frost and Amy Manning reviewed expenditures for the board. There have been a few surprises requiring repairs, etc., so the Repair & Maintenance line item is a little higher than expected. Ralph Fisher wanted to know if the district would be ok for money until taxes come in in November (yes).

MOTION: Gary Rychard moved to pay the bills for August. Rick Kauffman seconded. Motion passed; a voice vote was unanimous.

Chief's Report:

Alarms: Chief Frost reviewed July and August alarms for the board. It was a relatively calm summer for fires. EMD is still being worked on and, when fully implemented, will slightly decrease call volume. Chief Frost estimated that the district will have about 400-450 calls a year. Jim Heater noted that the recent rains might cause an increase in nighttime fires.

Old Business:

Brush Rig update: Brandon Hamilton said that the district put the chassis for the new Brush Rig out to bid on July 30 to Stayton Ford and Power Auto Group. Power Auto is the only company that returned a bid. The bid was \$37,500 for the chassis. The district will also put the slip-on unit out for bid. Brandon has spoken with Auto Additions about a lighting package, which they priced at about \$7000. In comparing

pricing with similar rigs from Sisters and Dayton, it appears the slip-on unit will cost around \$40,000.

-Jim Heater wanted to know how many gallons it would carry. (400)

-Jeff Kropf asked if it would carry foam. (yes)

-Chief Frost said it will be rated as a Type III rig and will have 1½” hose. He also said that the district has already put in an application for an \$85,000 FlexLease.

-Jeff asked if there needed to be equipment upgrades to go on the new rig. (no)

-Ralph asked about the type of pump.

-Brandon said that it would be a 125gpm Honda or Vanguard, most likely a Vanguard.

-Jeff wanted to know if there would be a firm quote at the next meeting. (maybe)

The board praised personnel for a job well done.

New Business:

PERS: Amy explained that because of changes in PERS rates, the district’s costs will significantly increase. If there isn’t enough money in the budget in personal services, it’s possible the district will have to do a supplemental budget or transfer money from contingency.

Good of the Order:

None

Adjourn:

MOTION: Gary Rychard moved to adjourn the meeting. Ralph Fisher seconded. Motion passed; unanimous. Meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by Amy Manning

Approved by Jeff Kropf