

**Sublimity Fire District
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, October 11, 2006**

Meeting called to order: by Gary Rychard at 7:10 p.m.

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

Staff present: Chief Tim Frost, Office Administrator Amy Manning

Others present: None

Additions/Deletions to Agenda: Chief Frost added EMD Review to New Business.

Citizen Comments: None

Firefighters Association Input: Jeff Gallinger and Alan McMahan were elected life members because of their many years of service to the district. The Turkey Shoot is coming up on November 19.

Reading of Minutes:

MOTION: Ralph Fisher moved to approve the minutes for September 13, 2006. Rick Kauffman seconded. Motion passed; a voice vote was unanimous.

Communications:

Yearly Review: Chief Frost compiled a yearly review that was distributed to all members. He will try to do a review yearly in October.

-Gary Rychard felt that it was a well-written, accurate picture of the district's past, present and future.

-Jeff Kropf liked Chief Frost's paragraph about internal relationships.

Life Line Stroke Screening: They sent a thank you, including a results summary.

Wallowa Lake RFPD: They sent thank you letters for the donation of surplus equip.

Volunteer Firefighter Compensation: It has now been clarified that the definition of compensation for a volunteer firefighter is determined by the "20% Rule."

Training Requirement Update: The district sent letters to five members who were lacking in training hours. Sixty hours of training are required to satisfy DPSST. The district is requiring that 20 of those hours are from in-house drills.

-Gary Rychard felt that people who weren't training enough were a liability to the district. He asked Chief Frost if the 60-hour requirement was part of the Operational Guide.

-Chief Frost said that it is now because it's been established as the training requirement.

Payment of Bills: Chief Frost and Amy Manning reviewed expenditures for September for the board. Chief Frost mentioned that the draft audit was complete and that the district carryover had been about \$60,000, more than originally anticipated. There was discussion regarding grants.

MOTION: Rick Kauffman moved to pay the bills for September. Jeff Kropf seconded. Motion passed; a voice vote was unanimous.

Chief's Report: None

Old Business: None

New Business:

EMD Review: Emergency Medical Dispatch (EMD) was discussed. Implementing the new system should cut down on the number of responses. Currently, each tap out for a call costs the district \$50-60. This should save the district some money. The main reason for the switch is because of the impact on volunteers. The fire district will be able to do a better job of making sure its going on calls where it's really needed. The new system will dramatically reduce the number of calls to Marian Estates. It will be adopted by Stayton, possibly Aumsville and Sublimity fire districts.

-Gary Rychard asked if Chief Frost had thought about meeting with representatives from Marian Estates before the implementation of the new system.

-Chief Frost said that he had not, but would be soon.

-Gary asked when the new system would be implemented.

-Chief Frost said that it would be after the EMD cards are finished (probably next month).

Good of the Order: Amy Manning and Chief Frost showed the board a draft of the upcoming community newsletter. There was discussion about the upcoming joint OFDDA/OFCA conference. December 7 is the Christmas potluck at the fire station. There was discussion about the name of the district newsletter. Some board members were unhappy with the name selected by the firefighters.

Adjourn:

MOTION: Jeff Kropf moved to adjourn the meeting. Rick Kauffman seconded. Motion passed; a voice vote was unanimous. Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by Amy Manning

Approved by Gary Rychard