

OKANOGAN COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT #6  
MINUTES OF THE MEETING  
November 09, 2015

PRESENT: Commissioner Roy Reiber, Commissioner Jerry Palm, Chief Don Waller, Assistant Chief Cody Acord, Secretary Brian Colin, other people attending include: Jesse Fuller, Charles Hammer, Mike Shirley, Paul Sisson, Emily Sisson, Jim Woods, Janie Woods, Mike Port, Les Stokes, Ross Darling, Rusty Stamps, John Owen, Joanne Biquera of Enduris insurance company, and Ron Perrow.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

The Commissioner's reviewed the treasurer's report from October and approved. The ending balance was \$399,353.46 fund balance October. Commissioner Reiber moved that the October treasurer's reports be accepted and Commissioner Palm seconded. Motion approved with all in favor.

MINUTES of the regular meeting, October 12, 2015 meeting minutes were reviewed. Commissioner Reiber moved that the minutes be accepted. Commissioner Palm seconded. The Minutes were approved with all in favor.

CORRESPONDENCE: The American Tower people would like to have the district sign a 50 year lease for the tower in Mazama. They are offering a one-time payment of \$117,000.00 for the 50 year lease. The district will not accept at this time.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Paul Sisson talked about the possibility of paring down on some aspects of the fire district. He feels that this is a very bad idea. He attended a lecture about climate change and forests. He feels that the district needs will be expanding not contracting. The district already has an inadequate station we don't need to build another inadequate station. He also discussed the location of the new station. He feels the arguments against the location are not justified. He also had input as to who should be represented by diverse group of people.

Ron Perrow would like to talk about the upcoming budget hearing. He would like to see a line by line budget posted on the website prior to the budget hearing.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS AND CHIEF'S REPORT:

FEMA Grant application has finally been submitted to FEMA. The chief is hopeful that the district will receive the grant. The system is not designed to wildland fire relief.

The Town of Winthrop has signed the contract extension with the fire district for a one year extension with a 7% increase.

Aero Methow has made a proposal to the district over the use of space at the Mazama Station. They have changed the contract quite a bit compared to the old contract.

Commissioner Reiber and Cody Acord will be going to talk with Aero Methow next week.

NEW BUSINESS: The chief had the commissioners sign the renewal form for insurance.

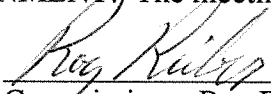
MedStar has a program for groups. We can get a rate for \$48 a year for families. Commissioner Reiber made a motion that the district provide MedStar membership for all volunteer fire members. Commissioner Palm seconded. All were in favor.

The Winthrop Chamber of Commerce is putting on its annual fireworks show. They would like to have the fire district be part of the fireworks show. This allows the town to purchase fireworks at a cheaper rate. Joanne from our insurance company said that this will increase our liability.

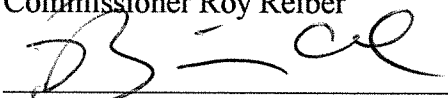
Joanne Bisquera from Enduris Insurance came to talk with the commissioners about the district's insurance program.

VOUCHER APPROVAL: The vouchers were reviewed by the Commissioners. Commissioner Reiber motioned to approve Vouchers #15-446 through 15-456 in the amount of \$26,838.08 for payroll and taxes which were presented for payment on November 1, 2015 and Vouchers #15-457 through 15-517 regular bills in the amount of \$29,766.84 for a total of \$56,604.92. Commissioner Palm seconded. Motion approved with all in favor.

The ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 PM.

  
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Commissioner Roy Reiber

ATTEST:

  
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Brian Colin, Secretary