

OKANOGAN COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT #6  
MINUTES OF THE MEETING  
April 9, 2018

PRESENT: Commissioner Les Stokes, Commissioner Jerry Palm, Commissioner Darold Brandenburg, Chief Cody Acord, Secretary Mark Crum, other people attending include: Jesse Fuller, Rusty Stamps, Emily Sisson, Paul Sisson, John Owen, Rick Nordby, Rick Rottman, Brian McAuliffe.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM.

MINUTES of the March, 2018 regular meeting minutes, Commissioner Brandenburg made motion to approve minutes from the March 12<sup>th</sup> meeting, Commissioner Stokes, seconded, all were in favor.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:**

The Commissioner's reviewed the treasurer's report from March and approved. The ending balance was \$213,598.08 fund balance March. Commissioner Brandenburg made a motion that the March treasurer's reports be accepted and Commissioner Stokes seconded, all were in favor.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**New Station Property Location:**

Commissioner Palm went and looked at the White Ave property site, and he calculated approximately 3000 yards of material would be needed to properly grade site. At eight dollars per yard, it would cost an additional \$24,000 for site prep.

Commissioner Brandenburg visited with the Westernization committee and estimated that costs for building in zone subject to Westernization rules could be much higher. Commissioner Brandenburg is going to look into actual costs for siding and extra costs related to westernization. The Westernization Committee wants to see an engineer's rendering before they'd agree to any Westernization variance that the district would apply for.

Paul Sisson asked the Commissioners if they've completed the Critical Area Ordinance analysis on the Horizon Flats property. Sisson that Rocklynn Culp (Winthrop Town

Planner) said that the District will need to hire a Wildlife Biologist to complete the study, because the property is over 5 acres. White Ave property is under 5 acres, so it isn't subject to Critical Area Ordinance.

Discussion about the fact that the property is two separate parcels, which could make it under 5 acres if development isn't pushed onto the second property.

Commissioner Brandenburg made a motion to complete the Critical Area Ordinance paperwork on the Horizon Flats property, Commissioner Palm seconded, all were in favor.

Discussion from public and commissioners about usable space needed for specific drills, such as hose drills. Keeping in mind safety, rehab for ground that may become saturated due to hose or water drills.

Discussion from Sisson and commissioners about needing station re-design regardless of which site is designed. Sisson gives examples of other similar buildings in the area, Lifeline ambulance, Twisp Civics building (simple building and offices) costing around \$3 million dollars. Sisson states he believes that a building between 12-14,000 sq feet probably can't be built under that cost. Chief Acord will be looking into cost compatibles at the Station Building Symposium. Sisson states that the distance to the west end of Hwy 20 bridge to town from current site, and Horizon Flats site is the same at .7 miles.

#### **Chief Acords Station Building Symposium Questions:**

Average square foot price.

Building materials.

What are common/typical features of a main fire station (hub).

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

#### **DNR Forestland Response Agreement**

DNR Agreement to be renewed in 2018. The agreement lasts for 5 years. This year's agreement changes in that it redefines the shoulder seasons for mutual aid. Change goes from spring / fall shoulder season to all year around.

Commissioner Palm made a motion to sign the DNR Forestland Response Agreement, Commissioner Brandenburg seconded, all were in favor.

#### **BLM Fire Protection Agreement**

Agreement is same as years past, only Chief Acord needs to sign.

Commissioner Palm made a motion to have Chief Acord sign the BLM Fire Protection Agreement, Commissioner Brandenburg seconded, all were in favor.

**Chiefs Report:**

*Monthly Accruals*

Int. Chief Acord presented accrual reports for March.

**Committees: n/a**

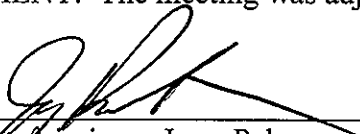
**Public Comment #2:**

Question from Paul Sisson, asked if there had been any interest in the assistant chief position.

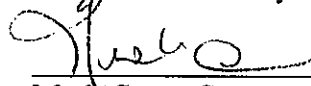
10 minute Executive Session to discuss the performance of a public employee RCW 42.30.110 (1) (g) Started at 8:20 adjourned at 8:30. No decisions were made.

VOUCHER APPROVAL: The vouchers were reviewed by the Commissioners. Commissioner Brandenburg motioned to approve Vouchers #18-108 through 18-122 in the amount of \$21,636.06 for payroll and taxes which were presented for payment on 12, 2018, Vouchers #18-122 through 18-154 regular bills in the amount of \$29,183.05, for a total of \$50,821.11 which were presented for payment on February 12, 2018. Commissioner Stokes seconded. Motion approved with all in favor.

The ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 8:46 PM.

  
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Commissioner Jerry Palm

ATTEST:

  
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Mark Crum, Secretary