

OKANOGAN COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT #6
MINUTES OF THE MEETING
August 10, 2015

The regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners was called to order by Commissioner Reiber on August 10, 2015 at 7:00 PM.

PRESENT: Commissioner Darold Brandenburg, Commissioner Roy Reiber, Commissioner Palm, Chief Don Waller, Assistant Chief Cody Acord, Secretary Brian Colin, other people attending included: Ron Perrow, Duncan Bronson, Ross Darling, and Cindy Button of Aero Methow.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

The Commissioner's reviewed the treasurer's report from July and approved. The ending balance was \$352,192.87 fund balance July. Commissioner Palm moved that the July treasurer's reports be accepted and Commissioner Brandenburg seconded. Motion approved with all in favor.

MINUTES of the regular scheduled July 13th, 2015 meeting minutes were reviewed. Commissioner Reiber moved that the minutes be accepted. Commissioner Brandenburg seconded. The Minutes were approved with all in favor.

CORRESPONDENCE: Chief Waller received a letter from our WFCA Health Care, our health care provider, stating that there won't be a rate increase for next year.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Ron Perrow asked how the Fischer analysis is coming. It is still being worked on.

Ron Perrow asked if the commissioners have decided about the citizen committee. Commissioner Brandenburg feels that it should be discussed further. Commissioner Palm thinks it is a good idea.

Commissioner Brandenburg wanted to discuss the matter a bit more. He would like to see how many people would be needed, their roles, and the expectations.

Ron Perrow thinks that there should be an open committee in which the public is free to come and give direct input.

Commissioner Palm thinks that the committee is the way to go and he feels that this should have been done years ago.

Duncan Bronson feels that the commissioners should set a date as a goal for the completion of the building.

Commissioner Brandenburg would like to talk with members of the public about the citizen committee.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS AND CHIEF'S REPORT:

Chief Waller heard from the Town of Winthrop. They are interested in talking about the pre-annexation process. The current contract ends at the end of 2015. The earliest that the annexation process could happen would be February 2016. The pre-annexation process needs to be complete 90 days prior to the election. Chief Waller would like the commissioners to determine what the contract or contract extension would look like. This way the district has something in place in case the annexation process does not go through.

The commissioners would like to see the annexation process with the town of Winthrop started and followed through with.

The FEMA grant: Chief Waller hasn't heard anything. The application has been officially submitted.

Engine 641 is back in service. It was pump tested at General Fire.

There is a ladder that needed a rung to be replaced has been repaired.

Chief Waller said the SEPA permit process with the Town of Winthrop required an engineer assessment on the impact of the access point onto Horizon Flats Road. A letter was sent to the town disputing this requirement.

NEW BUSINESS: The county communication study has been completed. The report is coming out soon.

Enduris, our insurance company, is wondering if November would be a good time to meet.

Engine 651 had a transmission issue. It has been repaired.

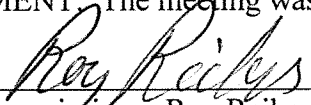
The new houses in Twisp have modified their road access which affects the district's ability to access the development. Chief Waller is wondering if the district should talk to the town. The commissioners feel that the Chief should send the town a letter about our concern.

Aero Methow lease: Cindy Button talked with the district about the lease with the fire district for the joint use of the Mazama station. Aero Methow will provide first aid/CPR training and will be standby at fires and house burns. Otherwise the contract is basically the same.

Cody Acord went out on another assignment to the Castle Rock area. He was there for 5 days. He got his task book signed off and is now a division supervisor. The district also sent a brush rig to the I-90 fire for a few days.

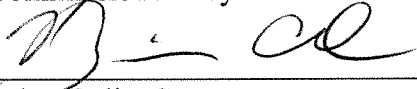
VOUCHER APPROVAL: The vouchers were reviewed by the Commissioners. Commissioner Brandenburg motioned to approve Vouchers #15-328 through 15-336 in the amount of \$18,867.32 for payroll and taxes which were presented for payment on August 1, 2015 and Vouchers #15-337 through 15-364 regular bills in the amount of \$43,172.47 for a total of \$62,039.79. Commissioner Reiber seconded. Motion approved with all in favor.

The ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 PM.



Commissioner Roy Reiber

ATTEST:



Brian Colin, Secretary