

Siuslaw Valley Fire and Rescue  
2625 Highway 101 North, Florence, OR 97439

Minutes of Board Meeting – August 19, 2015

John Carnahan, President of the Board, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Directors John Carnahan, John Scott, Tony Phillips, Lori Gates and Woody Woodbury all present.

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Chief Langborg, Julie Brown Finance/HR Manager, Division Chief Marvin Tipler and Fire Marshal Sean Barrett

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Director Scott made a motion to approve the minutes as read, of the regular board meeting held on June 17, 2015. The motion was seconded by Director Woodbury and was approved by unanimous vote.

Director Gates made a motion to approve the minutes as read, of the regular board meeting held on July 15, 2015. The motion was seconded by Director Scott and was approved by unanimous vote.

Director Gates made a motion to approve the minutes as read, of the regular board meeting held on July 21, 2015. The motion was seconded by Director Woodbury and was approved by unanimous vote.

**COMMUNICATIONS:** Thank you from SDAO for the use of the training room. Informational flyer regarding OFDDA conference in November.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** None

**AGENDA ITEMS:**

Reelection of Board officers- Director Scott stated that we have a situation of recent turmoil with a 3-2 vote to terminate the Fire Chief, and then with a 4-1 to rescind, after public input. This creates an awkward situation with the Board President being the only person opposed to the Chief. President Carnahan thinks he can do the right thing and director Phillips agrees. Director Scott pointed out that there is still going to be a perceived conflict of interest and some potential public meeting law issues which have been brought up. President Carnahan stated that he will go with whatever the consensus of the Board is. President Carnahan then called for a motion, director Woodbury moved to reelect a Board President; Director Scott seconded it was 4-1 with the 1 being abstention from Director Carnahan. Motion passes and Director Scott asked if there were any nominations for another President. Director Gates nominated Director Scott, Director Woodbury seconded, motion carries 4-1, with director Carnahan abstaining.

**CHIEF'S REPORTS:**

Chief Langborg provided his Chief's Report. During the review of the information provided in the report, Chief Langborg commented about response data. In addition to his report in the Board packet he provided the following:

The Chief reported that we are currently reviewing the draft of the Emergency Operations Plan.

The Training/Volunteer Coordinator assessment center is complete, we had three candidates participate. The eligibility list has been certified by the Civil Service Commission. After conducting Chief's interviews the position was offered to Jeff Larson.

The recent fire sprinkler inspection revealed that we have 30 sprinkler heads that need to be replaced, they were painted over at the time the ceiling was originally painted. These heads do not currently meet code requirements. Captain Jagoe is in the process of securing three bids for the replacement of the sprinkler heads, we have one bid and are waiting on two others.

#### **STAFF REPORTS:**

Division Chief Tipler reported on the Grant which the District received to purchase two new ATV's. Chief Tipler requested the approval to purchase the two ATV's. Director Phillips moves that Chief Tipler purchase the two ATV's, Director Carnahan seconded, motion passed unanimously.

#### **REVIEW OF THE BILLS:**

**MOTION: Director Gates made a motion to ratify bills paid during the past month in the amount of \$156,033.54 and transfers from the Money Market Account to the Checking Account also made during the past month. The motion was seconded by Director Woodbury and was approved by a vote of 4, with director Phillips recusing himself because of a conflict of interest.**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS:** The financial statements were provided.

**FUTURE AGENDA BUSINESS:** Board President Scott stated that our next regularly scheduled board meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 16, 2015 at 6:00 p.m.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Regular meeting adjourned in to Executive session at 6:40 pm ORS 192.660 Sub (2) (d) to conduct deliberations with persons designated by the governing body to carry on Labor negotiations, and ORS 192.660 (2) (i) To review and evaluate the employment-related performance of the chief executive officer of any public body, a public officer, employee or staff member who does not request an open hearing.

President Scott stated that if any news media were present they were welcome to attend.

Executive Session adjourned at 8:10 pm

Regular session reopened at 8:11 pm

Meeting adjourned at 8:12pm

Respectfully submitted,

**Julie Brown**

Finance/Human Resources Manager

Recording Secretary