

**Western Lane Ambulance District
Siuslaw Valley Fire and Rescue
Western Lane Fire and EMS Authority
2625 Highway 101 North, Florence, OR 97439**

Joint Meeting Minutes, November 18, 2021, 6:00 p.m.

The Zoom recording will be posted on SVFR & WLAD Websites

SVFR BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Directors Sam Spayd, Tim Mendolia, Laurie Heppel, Jim Palisi

SVFR BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Alan Burns

WLAD BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Directors Mike Webb, John Murphey, Cindy Russell, Adam Holbrook, Vanessa Buss

WLFEA BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Directors John Murphey, Sam Spayd, Mike Webb, Jim Palisi

STAFF PRESENT: Chief Schick, Operations Chief House, Dina McClure, Mary Dimon

Chief Schick called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Roll Call established quorums.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

PRESENTATION: SDAO Certificate of Dedication and Commitment presented to Western Lane Ambulance District Director Mike Webb

CONSENT AGENDA:

- October 28, 2021, Joint Board Meeting Minutes
- Staff Reports: Chief, Operations Chief, Office Manager, and Fire Marshal
- Correspondence: none

CALL VOLUMES:

- Chief House reported that call volumes are above average for both districts. Mobile Crisis Response had thirty-one calls last month.

REVIEW OF FINANCIALS – WLAD, SVFR, WLFEA:

- McClure gave a financial report. Most of the budgeted bank transfers were made last month. Four months into the fiscal year the financials are looking good and tracking at about 33%. Director Webb asked that McClure define acronyms in future financial reports.

Presentation City of Florence Multi-Unit Property Tax Exemption Program:

Mayor Joe Henry, City Manager Erin Reynolds and Senior Economic Developer Sarah Moehrke, presented and explained what a multi-unit tax exemption project is and how it affects the districts.

- McClure read a letter from SVFR Director Alan Burns voicing his concerns about this project and that if he were present, he would vote no.

NEW BUSINESS

- a. SVFR Action Item: Resolution 2021-04 to Adopt City of Florence Multi-Unit Property Tax Exemption Program with Fee Schedule. **SVFR – Motion made, seconded, and carried.**
- b. WLAD Action Item: Resolution 2021-05 to Adopt City of Florence Multi-Unit Property Tax Exemption Program with Fee Schedule. **WLAD – Motion made, seconded, and carried.**

OLD BUSINESS: None

DIRECTOR COMMENTS

- Director Palisi read a letter he wrote directed at RJ Pilcher’s letter from the September meeting and wanted it submitted for the record.
- Director Murphey would like a 10-year plan to address the growth of our community and the number of Firefighters and EMT’s estimated to need for future growth.
- Director Russell thanked Director Palisi for his letter and Director Webb for his continued support as well as the work he put forth on the Levy Renewal.

FUTURE BUSINESS:

- a. Strategic Plan Steering Committee Meeting #1 November 23, 2021 at 6:00pm
- b. Strategic Plan Steering Committee Meeting #2 December 9, 2021 at 6:00pm
- c. Regular Joint Board Meeting December 16, 2021 at 6:00pm

Chief Schick announced that SVFR & WLAD will meet in Executive Session per ORS 192.660 (2) (d) Labor Negotiations and will not return to regular session.

Meeting adjourned at 7:08 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Dimon
Recording Secretary