

**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, January 26, 2023, 6:00 p.m.

The Zoom recording will be posted on SVFR & WLAD Websites

SVFR and WLFEA BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Directors Laurie Heppel, Jim Palisi, and Sam Spayd

Not Present: Directors Alan Burns and Tim Mendolia

WLAD and WLFEA BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Directors Mike Webb, Vanessa Buss, and Cindy Russell

Not Present: Directors Rick Yecny and Adam Holbrook

STAFF PRESENT: Chief Schick, Deputy Chief House, Dina McClure, Lieutenant Kyle Orozco, and Holly Lais

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

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

SWEAR IN NEW FIREFIGHTERS

- Chief Schick swore in 10 newly certified Firefighters: Darrek Mullins, Max Carlson, Geri Brooks, Alfred Johnson, James Pearson, Jack Freel, Ethan Hack, Hope Taylor, Berenger Constantino, and Chris Millsap.

MOBILE CRISIS RESPONSE PROGRAM UPDATE

- MCR Program Director Camille Griswold gave her quarterly report. She included staffing updates, call volumes and program goals. Funding for the program had been approved with Lane County through 2023.

CONSENT AGENDA:

- December 15, 2022, Joint Board Meeting Minutes
- Staff Reports
- Correspondence

CALL VOLUMES:

- Call Volumes had been provided in the board packet under Chief House's report. Chief House noted volumes were slightly less when compared to last year. Transports are healthy and revenue is matching.

REVIEW OF FINANCIALS – WLAD, SVFR, WLFEA:

- McClure reported the FY is halfway through and the financials were tracking around 51% for SVFR, 58% for WLAD due to vehicle maintenance costs, and 47% for WLFEA.
- The Auditors are still working on the WLAD and SVFR Audits. She hopes they will be completed by next month.
- She has been working on next year's Budgets. A press release will be sent out tomorrow seeking to fill two SVFR Budget Committee Member openings and one WLAD opening.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. WLFEA Action Item: Approve Local 851 Memorandum of Understanding
Director Palisi motioned to approve Local 851 Memorandum of Understanding. Director Buss seconded. Roll call, motion carried.
- B. WLAD Action Item: Approve Submission of Three Rivers Foundation Grant
Director Web motioned to approve the Three Rivers Foundation Grant submission. Director Buss seconded. All in favor, motion carried.
- C. WLFEA Action Item: Appoint Civil Service Commission Member
Director Buss motioned to appoint Civil Service Commission Member Mary Kauffman. Director Spayd seconded. All in favor, motion carried.
- D. SVFR Action Item: Resolution 2023-01 Transferring Funds from the Capital Improvement Fund to the General Fund and Appropriating the Replacement of the North and South External Siding at Station 1
Director Palisi motioned to approve Resolution 2023-01 Transferring Funds from the Capital Improvement Fund to the General Fund and Appropriating the Replacement of the North and South External Siding at Station 1. Director Spayd seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

DIRECTOR COMMENTS

- Director Spayd observed a recent Burn-to-Learn (BTL) and was impressed with the crews. The group discussed past BTLs, procedures, and safe location selection.
- Director Russell inquired if anyone wanted to carpool to the SDAO meeting in February.
- Chief Schick invited the directors to join him at the Mapleton Board Meeting.
- Chief reminded them that some board member terms will expire June 30; three positions with SVFR and two positions with WLAD are open. March is the filing deadline for those wishing to continue.

FUTURE BUSINESS: The next scheduled Joint Board Meeting is Thursday, February 23, 2023, at 6:00 pm.

The Regular Joint Meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Chief Schick canceled SVFR & WLAD Executive Session per ORS 192.660 (2) (d) Labor Negotiations.

Respectfully submitted,
Holly Lais
Recording Secretary