

ALFALFA FIRE DISTRICT
REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING
Alfalfa Fire Station, 25889 Alfalfa Market Rd, Alfalfa, OR
April 10 2024, 6:00 PM

MEETING MINUTES:

On Wednesday, April 10th, 2024, a regular business meeting was held with President Nate Starr presiding followed by roll call and the Pledge of Allegiance. The meeting was called to order at 6:00pm

ROLL CALL:

Board of Directors:

- President, Nate Starr - Present
- Vice President, David Pike - Present
- Director, Mark Laucks - Present
- Director, Carolyn Chase – Present
- Director, Adam Sutterfield - Absent

Fire chief, Chad Lavallee - Present

VISITORS IN ATTENDANCE:

VISITOR INPUT:

None

PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES:

Meeting minutes for March were reviewed. Director Chase motioned to approve the meeting minutes for March, Director Pike seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Postponed until a Treasurer is selected.

CHIEF'S REPORT AND FINANCIAL REVIEW:

Chief LaVallee presented a review of finances for the month of March. Bank balance for the month was \$158,911.86. Deposits for the month were \$15,900.38. Expenses were \$19,373.57. Director Chase motioned to approve the March finances as documented by The Chief. Director Laucks seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Chief LaVallee presented the Chief's Report. There have been 33 calls to date. All apparatus are currently in service with the exception of 932, which is in service for a coolant leak. Training is currently focused on trauma and wildland. Firefighters will be going through a S-212 (saw) class as well as a wildland field day which will finish up their wildland refresher. We have submitted for the 2024 VFA grant which will be for tools and equipment to build a type 6 brush truck. We have secured the 2024 Wildfire Staffing Grant through OSFM. This is our 3rd year receiving the

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grant in the amount of \$35,000. These funds will provide additional personnel for the summer season from June to Oct. We would like to thank OSFM for the grant.

OLD BUSINESS:

REVIEW AND SIGN RESOLUTIONS

JUNIPER ACRES

Stephanie continues to work on making progress.

END OF OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS:

ASSET DISPERSAL

Chief Lavallee located a new aerial rig which is better than the aerial rig we currently have. A proposal was made to disperse the current aerial rig and acquire the new aerial rig if it passes inspection. The difference in cost between disbursement and acquisition is expected to be \$10,000. Director Laucks made a motion to disperse the current aerial rig and acquire the new aerial rig. Director Chase seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

BUDGET

The budget process will begin on May 7th.

SECURITY SYSTEM

Our current security system is failing. Chief Lavallee will be looking in to replacement options.

TYPE 6

We continue to have poor luck in acquiring a Type 6 brush rig through various agencies. Through a VFA grant we have the funds to acquire our own Type 6 and build it out. This would be owned by the Department and not on loan to us. Chief Lavallee has identified a Ford chassis available for purchase that fits within our budget. Director Laucks motioned to allow Chief Lavallee to acquire the vehicle for our Type 6. Director Chase seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

END OF NEW BUSINESS

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Director Chase at 7:06. Seconded by Director Pike. Motion was unanimously passed.

NEXT MEETING: The next meeting will be Wednesday, May 8th, 2024 at 6 pm.