

**Seal Rock Rural Fire District**  
**Board of Directors Meeting –November 14, 2013**  
**Seal Rock Administration Building**

<b>Directors Present:</b>	Al Anton	John Soltau
	John Raudsep	Karl Kowalski
<b>Others Present:</b>	Chief Tracy Shaw	Mel Berry
	Bari McLean	Skip & Susan Smith

**Call to Order**

- Chairman Anton presided and called the meeting to order at 18:33. The directors present represented a quorum.

**Minutes of Previous Month’s Meeting – October 10, 2013**

- Chairman Anton asked if there were any comments or corrections regarding last month’s minutes.
- Director Raudsep made a motion to approve the October 2013 meeting minutes. Director Kowalski seconded the motion, and all approved. Motion passed.

**Financials (handout)**

- Mel Berry distributed financial reports and discussed each statement.
- The Balance sheet had the following numbers:
  - \$377,713 Total In Checking and Savings.
  - \$77,857 is in LOSAP fund.
  - \$21,422 in Accounts Payable for this month.
- Mel Berry went over financials and explained line items with Balance Sheet Detail, Budget Report, Income & Expense and Detail of Income & Expense.
- We received \$18,359 in tax and other revenue for October with expenses totaling \$ 21,881. An audit occurred and the bill was paid for \$3850.
- Reviewed detail of Accounts Payable. Mel mentioned he would be writing a check to David Bell for services regarding the burn to learn training at a house. David did major cleanup for the project.
- Mel mentioned that there are two payments listed for PERS. Last month the payment was not deducted. Mel will take over paying the PERS payment as of this date.
- Mel will move funds over from the savings account to cover checks paid to A/P
- Mel’s business name is Melcor Financial.
- Director Raudsup made the motion to approve Financials, Director Kowalski seconded and all approved.

## **Guests Comments**

Skip Smith mentioned he had heard of the good deed that the Seal Rock Rural Fire Dept had participated in. After a fire that left a family homeless, the SRRFD stepped in to pay for a hotel. The Red Cross is unable to step in until 24 hours have passed due to short staff locally. Skip applauded the decision to pay for the cost of lodging for this family. The Newport Bay Motel housed them and they are willing to help in the future.

## **Old Business**

- Safety Equipment
  - Chief Shaw is looking into options for boots for the volunteers. He said he would get them sized for each volunteer. The cost would be approximately \$180 for each pair. They would be waterproof and perhaps have a side zipper.
  - Karl mentioned that Alsea Power has boots for sale. The volunteers could go there and get sized and thus purchase locally.
- Repeater Site Update
  - Chief Shaw showed a slide show of the process of lifting the pole into place and showed also the completed building on the site. The pole is 52 feet above ground and is 160 feet higher than the other site.
  - We are waiting for the wiring to be installed for the site.
  - SRRFD is leasing a 20 x 20 foot plot of land for the site from Hancock Forest Management.
- Chief Shaw also showed a slide show of a fire. The photos showed how and where the fire started and the process for extinguishing it.
- On the same day as the above fire, there was a barn fire on Beaver Creek. No animals were in the barn at the time of the fire. The fire was contained to the barn even though there was three other structures close by. The water used was pulled from a near by pond on the property.
- Chief Shaw said the plumbing is coming for the generators. Newport Diesel will make the hydraulic line from the tank to the generator.

## **New Business**

- Chairman Anton mentioned that starting the first of 2014, Carlson Oil will no longer be fueling rigs, only stationary tanks.
- Karl mentioned that the High School in Waldport will be burned for training purposes the weekend of December 2, 2013. The purpose of the burn is twofold: first to demolish the vacant 42,000-square foot building and other structures at the former school site before its restoration to open space; second, to provide critical

hands-on firefighting experience on a large structure fire to local and regional firefighters. The burn training is being directed by Central Oregon Coast Fire and Rescue and Toledo Fire & Rescue, in cooperation with the school district.

- Director Rausep asked if folks had noticed the new Brian Booth State Park sign just before Ona Beach Park entrance. The Ona Beach and Beaver Creek Natural areas will keep their name, but the Brian Booth State Park will encompass the whole area.
- Plans are in effect to construct an RV/camping area up on ODOT land, just south of the Ona curves.
- Also plans for either an overpass or tunnel under Hwy 101 for pedestrian access to Ona Beach State Park.
- Chairman Anton gave an update on alternative investigation for dispatching. He and Karl met with the Fire Chief in Toledo to discuss options. He has also set a meeting with the Police Chief about alternatives for dispatching.

### **Chief's Report**

- Chief's Report on run statistics were handed out and gone over.
  - There were 25 Calls for month of October, with 228 totals for the year.
  - Tuesday and Thursday were the busiest days of the week.
  - Over half the calls were fire related.
  - Over one third of the calls were for Medical assistance.

The SRRFD board meeting was adjourned at 19:30

Minutes prepared by Bari McLean