

**Seal Rock Rural Fire Protection District
Board of Directors Meeting – July 12, 2018
Seal Rock Administration Building**

Directors Present: Al Anton
Peter Benjamin
Larry Silverthorn

John Soltau
Karl Kowalski

Others Present: Chief Sakaris
Andrew Licon
Taylor Jernigan
Mary Lou Morris

Mel Beery
Mike Burt
Kyle Bridges

Call to Order – Board of Directors Meeting

- President Anton presided and called the meeting to order at 18:35. There was a quorum.

Approval of Minutes for June 14, 2018 Board of Directors Meeting

- President Anton asked if there were any comments or corrections regarding the June 14, 2018 minutes. There were no comments or corrections.
- Director Benjamin made a motion to approve the June 14, 2018 minutes. Director Silverthorn seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Financials (handout)

- Mr. Beery distributed financial reports and discussed each statement.
- Balance Sheet as of June 30, 2018 – Summarized Current Assets and Liabilities. The total for Checking/Savings was \$459,391. Total LOSAP cash was \$80,852. Total Accounts Payable was \$5,960.
- Income and Expense June 2018 – Mr. Beery stated the Income for June was from interest, Dept. of Forestry, insurance dividends and the sale of the Dodge pickup. No income from taxes was received. Total income was \$2,436. Expenses for the Firefighters Fund was \$4,641. Expenses for the Chief Fund was \$7,651. General Fund Expenses was \$24,595, with \$20,000 contributed to LOSAP. Truck and Building Fund Expenses was \$2,422.
- Expense Detail June 2018 – Director Silverthorn asked if the two new batteries for water rescue were purchased from Schwabb? The batteries were purchased from Waldport Tire.
- Budget vs. Actual Report July 2017 through June 2018– Mr. Beery said Total Income was 105% of budget. The Firefighters Fund Expenses is 96% of budget and the Chief Fund Expenses is 91% of budget. General Fund Expenses is 71% of budget and Truck and Building Fund Expenses is 46% of budget. Director Silverthorn asked about the expense for Volunteer Reimbursements. President Anton explained gas reimbursement was taken out of this account in error.
- Director Silverthorn made a motion to approve Financials. Director Benjamin seconded the motion. Motion passed.

- Bills Paid July 2018 – Total bills are \$9,350.71.
- Credit Card Charges June 2018 – No comments.
- Director Kowalski made a motion to approve Accounts Payable. Director Silverthorn seconded the motion. Motion passed.
- Cash Requirements July 2018 – Mr. Beery stated \$27,700 is required for the month of July to pay bills and payroll plus \$31,700 needs to be transferred from the Reserve LGIP Account to the Reserve Bank Account for the 12 months note on payments for Building 3.
- Director Kowalski made a motion to make the transfers. Director Silverthorn seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Old Business

- Dodge Pickup:
The pickup was sold for \$600 and AA Towing took it away.
- Brian Booth Park Update:
Chief Sakaris and Director Silverthorn attended a meeting with Lincoln County Commission. The Commission will not allow rezoning until State Parks has a written agreement with Seal Rock Fire District. Only 250 sites will be allowed. No horses will be allowed on the west side of the beach. There is currently no agreement how to get from the park to the beach. There have been hearings with public input. The Commission is now reviewing the draft plan. State Parks will have 30 days to accept or not accept the recommendation of Lincoln County Planning. The plan will then come back to Lincoln County for the final draft. The Commissioners feel it is a poor location for a park. They also didn't like the name Brian Booth and think it should be Ona Beach State Park instead. The impact on Seal Rock Fire is another concern, with a written agreement needed. State Parks has to come to Seal Rock Fire with the agreement.

New Business

- Introduce Probationary Firefighters:
Chief Sakaris introduced the three new firefighters – Andrew Licon, Taylor Jernigan and Kyle Bridges.
- Progress Report on Probationary Firefighters:
The firefighters began July 3rd and have completed two tests, with the lowest score being 80%. Training and drills are going very well. President Anton and Chief Sakaris will decide when they're ready to start shifts.
- Chief's Report by Chief Sakaris:
There were 46 calls for the month, including one fatality.

Public Comments:

- None

Board Member Comments:

- Director Silverthorn said the hydrants are looking bad and will be repainted. He has met with someone from Alsea Highlands and was told two Waldport City Council members live in the Highlands. Mr. Bartoldus stated the biggest hurdle

- to having Seal Rock Fire District take over this area is Seal Rock Fire agreed to have Alsea Highlands go to Waldport. Director Silverthorn has made contacts about the septic systems at both Bayshore and Seal Rock. He has someone who can test the sites and look at the soil with no charge. A discussion followed. It was agreed that if someone is going to represent Seal Rock Fire District there needs to be a written agreement.
- President Anton wants the Board to start thinking about the number of firefighters needed. There are now four and he feels there needs to be six. Chief Sakaris will verify when Seal Rock Fire can go for another ballot levy. There are currently five volunteers and age is a factor for most of the volunteers. Now there is always one person on 24/7. Two-thirds of the time there will be two people on 24/7 per month. A discussion of hiring more firefighters followed. Director Soltau pointed out \$75,000 excess was collected from taxes this past year. The District has tax revenue not being used and maybe this could be used to finance having more firefighters. President Anton will meet with Mr. Beery and Mr. Bartoldus to see if this can be done and how it will impact the budget. He will have the information for the next meeting. Chief Sakaris was asked about equipment needs for the next five years. He said one new engine and one new rescue unit will be needed at a cost of approximately \$170,000 for both.
 - Director Silverthorn asked about helicopter coverage for firefighters. A discussion followed.

President Anton adjourned the regular meeting at 19:30.

Minutes prepared by Mary Lou Morris.