

SCIO FIRE DISTRICT

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES January 23, 2024

The Board of Directors of the Scio Fire District met at St. 91 located at 38975 SW Sixth Avenue, Scio Oregon.

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- Sioux Ellis, Vice President
- ☐ Larry Brown, Secretary/Treasurer
- Pat Traeger, Director
- Katrina Clouse, Director

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Fire Chief Kyle White, Administrative Assistant Amy Watson, Mayor Debbie Nuber, Joey Ferguson, Tiffany Weber, Dennis Shaffer, Steve Ellis, May Garland, Roger Gaether, Susan Yoder-Gardipee, Greg Schneider, Wendy Greenwald, Nadji Vogel and Lynn Branch.

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by President Paul Dykast.

ATTENDANCE: Roll called. Quorum established.

FLAG SALUTE: Flag Salute led by President Paul Dykast.

CONSENT AGENDA: <u>Pat Traeger moved to accept consent agenda which consisted of minutes of December, payment of bills, check review, and 2023-24 expenditure sheet. Katrina Clouse seconded the motion.</u> <u>Motion carried. (Yes – Dykast, Sioux Ellis, Clouse)</u>

ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA/ APPROVAL OF AGENDA: <u>Traeger moved to accept the agenda</u>. Clouse seconded the motion. Motion carried. (Yes –Dykast, Ellis, Traeger, Clouse)

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS: President Dykast thanked all guests who in attendance.

CORRESPONDENCE: *Chief White-*1) Heidi Hunter dropped off two containers of sticky buns as a thank you to the volunteers. This was for the car wreck victim pulled out by the volunteers on Leffler Hill 2) We received two \$25 donations from Eliose Peaslee.

STAFF REPORTS:

Chief White – 1) 96.2% of the taxes due to the district have been collected. 2) Ice storm – Chief thanked the responders for stepping up during this time. Responders were sleeping at the station overnight. The rigs were chained up and ready for calls. Responded to 14-15 alarms during that period mostly due to falls and trauma injuries. Last Tuesday the station lost power to the generator. 3) Santiam Training Academy – We

have four new fire fighters going through the academy and two additional volunteers also going through the process. 4) Administrative Assistant has given notice. Another board meeting will need to be scheduled to discuss the revamped job description to include the additional requirement of EMT.

Administrative Assistant - Nothing at this time.

Volunteer Association - Nothing at this time.

OLD BUSINESS:

Chief White - Stillman Investigation - No updates from the investigator.

Volunteer Handbook - Throughout the handbook Director Clouse would like to see that a higher authority other than the Chief. This person can be responsible for harassment, conduct in board meetings and/or social media, ORS detailed description, third-party investigations, professionalism with volunteers and board members.

The volunteer handbook will be revisited at the next board meeting on February 20th.

NEW BUSINESS:

RESOLUTION 2024-01 HAT ROCK CONFLAGRATION

Traeger moved to accept Resolution 2024-01. Clouse seconded the motion. Motion carried. (Yes -Dykast, Ellis, Traeger, Clouse)

RESOLUTION 2024-02 TYEE RIDGE CONFLAGRATION

Traeger moved to accept Resolution 2024-02. Clouse seconded the motion. Motion carried. (Yes -Dykast, Ellis, Traeger, Clouse)

RESOLUTION 2024-03 SURPLUS RED CANOPY FOR FORD F150

Traeger moved to surplus the red canopy for the Ford F150. Clouse seconded the motion. Motion carried. (Yes -Dykast, Ellis, Traeger, Clouse)

SURPLUS EXPEDITION

Traeger moved to surplus the expedition. Clouse seconded the motion. Motion carried. (Yes -Dykast, Ellis, Traeger, Clouse)

SURPLUS SABLE

Traeger moved to surplus the sable. Ellis seconded the motion. Motion carried. (Yes -Dykast, Ellis, Traeger, Clouse)

PURCHASE SUV

Director Traeger suggested that a bigger Suburban vehicle would be necessary. The SUV purchase will be revisited at the next board meeting on February 20th.

DIRECTOR CLOUSE TO DISCUSS MEETING ETIQUETTE.

During public comment Director Clouse would like the public to be respectful of one another. She would like to clearly state their name and pose any comments or questions to the board only. She would like them to only face the board members and not the public.

ELECTION OF OFFICER: Traeger moved to nominate Katrina Clouse as Board Secretary/Treasurer. Ellis seconded the motion. Motion carried (Yes-Dykast, Ellis, Traeger and Clouse)

Backfilling the Administrative Assistant position. Need to change the position to include a first responder duty as well. Special executive session was scheduled for Monday, January 29th at 10:00 am.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Rosalie Parker addressed the board regarding the harassment of the district. She is asking the board what is to be done about the harassment of the fire district. She stated that since the loss of the Administrative Assistant, how many more people will the district lose and what will be done about it. Rosalie questioned whether it is the board's responsibility to protect the district.

Mayor Debbie Nuber thanked the volunteers and the fire chief for the time and dedication during the ice storm. The citizens need them, and they are appreciative of your service. The citizens are in support of the volunteers and the fire chief.

AGENDA SUGGESTIONS:

Director Clouse would like a list of steps for the citizens to take towards board members. She is requesting a list of what is expected of the board members to hold them accountable.

GOOD OF THE ORDER & BOARD COMMENTS: Director Clouse had questions regarding the Stillman case investigator. Tifffany Weber stated that the process has been delayed because her husband has been out of town and has not yet spoken to the investigator.

NEXT MEETING: Special board meeting is January 29th at 10:00am. The next scheduled Board Meeting on February 20th, 7 p.m. Station 91 – 38975 SW 6th Avenue, Scio OR

ADJOURNMENT: <u>Traeger moved</u>, and <u>Clouse seconded to adjourn the meeting</u>. <u>Motion carried unanimously</u>. Meeting adjourned at 7:53p.m.

Submitted by:

Amy Watson Administrative Assistant

Katrina Clouse Secretary/Treasurer