

EUREKA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 3

COMMISSIONERS MEETING

June 12, 2009

768 Hoffman Rd Prescott, WA 99348

MINUTES OF MEETING

CALL TO ORDER: The Eureka Fire Commissioners meeting was called to order at 19:00 by Chairman Steve Hoffmann.

PRESENT: Steve Hoffmann, Loren McKee, Tad Cowell, Jim Ruffcorn, Sara Winona, Aaron Hoffmann, Tony Nunez, and John Batalla.

ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS: Tad Cowell requested that an update on T35 be added to agenda.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: Approved by Tad Cowell, seconded by Loren McKee.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Amounts as follows: Reserve \$31, 010.63, Expense \$598.95; No Petty Cash Activity.

REVIEW & APPROVAL OF CURRENT BILLS: Vouchers audited and certified by the Auditing Officer as required by RCW 42.24.090, have been recorded on a listing which has been made available to the board. June Bills totaled \$59,905.11. Amount approved by Loren McKee, seconded by Tad Cowell.

INVESTMENT CD'S: All expense and reserve monies will be reinvested with county treasurer after all bills are paid for June.

CHIEF'S REPORT:

- Station 33 will have some roof work. Chief Ruffcorn has ordered screws and will plan a work weekend. After talking with Ralph Broetje it appears he is more interested in a long-term lease of the station for a low price rather than sell at this time.
- College Place FEMA grant for 9 mobile radios was signed and they will be installed in July. Installation is part of the grant. Each district gave up one radio for District 1, as they were the only district that did not turn in radio numbers. Jim will be ordering 1 other new radio to replace the one given to D1 at a cost of about \$2400.
- Chief Ruffcorn will also be ordering 2 more portables at about \$615 each.
- Dispatch will have some changes in July dealing mostly with how they triage incidents. There will be no direct calling of C80 on radio and all deaths must go through police department.
- County will be working on radio system again next week.

DISTRICT BUSINESS:

OLD BUSINESS:

- Truck bids were discussed and it was decided that they will be looked at again next winter; the budget for 2009 is already spent for capital expenses.
- T35 is complete with new tank and storage box and is currently at Morris Sign getting stripped.
 - Mountain Hi will deliver the old T35 tank and place it where we would like. It was agreed tank should be placed at Station 32 on some RR ties or blocks. Tad volunteered posts and Aaron agreed to set them up for tank.
- EMT Update: Aaron Hoffmann and Sara Winona passed class and will be taking state exam on June 15th. Tony Nunez passed class but missed 1 practical and will have to retake class in the fall. John Batalla failed class.

- Tony Nunez apologized for his mistake in missing practical and offered to pay district back for class. Commissioners felt that was not necessary and that Tony is an asset to the district. Tony has already signed up for class in Fall and will complete it on his own.
- Service 36 has been retrieved. Aaron has it running and would like Larry Padberg to drive it for 1 week to and from work and on all business to see how it runs and check for any problems. Larry has agreed.
- R3 will go into Job's next week for A/C and diesel leak.
- John Batalla appeared before commissioners to explain his actions in taking C31 to Fishhook Park without any authorization. He apologized and stated that he was simply not thinking. He is unsure if he even wants to remain on district and will give Chief Ruffcorn his decision.

NEW BUSINESS:

- WW Ambulance service will come and talk to commissioners about their financial issues that will be affecting ALS service to District No. 3. Commissioners decided to go and listen and felt it was easier for everyone if they went into Walla Walla to meet Chief Thomas. Plan to meet within 1 week.

MISCELLANEOUS:

- Reminder by chairman that all large Oxygen bottles must be hauled upright in vehicles, even when going to town to refill. Aaron Hoffmann suggested making rack for S36 (if it runs well) to make hauling bottles in safer and easier.
- Review by chairman of Harder Brothers accident in Kahlotus. Extreme caution must be taken in confined spaces. It is imperative that we ensure the scene is safe before we enter.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: held with commissioners and chief

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS AND INFORMATION: none

CITIZENS COMMENTS AND BUSINESS: None

ADJORNMENT: There being no further business or comments the meeting was adjourned at 20:15

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary

Chairman