

Mosier Fire District Board Meeting
Mosier Fire Hall on Washington St.

DATE: December 13, 2012
7:00 p.m.

BOARD: Ken Hudson, Lee Roy Herman, Vic Hamilton, Glenn Bartholomew, Darin Moleworth

STAFF: Fire Chief Jim Appleton, Recorder Tracie Hornung

Absent:

Excused:

Public: Marc Berry

CALL TO ORDER – Meeting was called to order by Board President Darin Moleworth at 7:06 p.m.

ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS – Added to the Board packet were a list of bills, a draft policy on apparatus use by Fire District personnel, and an updated Chief’s Summary

BUSINESS FROM THE AUDIENCE – None

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of Minutes – November 8, 2012
2. Review/Approve Bills

A motion was made by Board Member Bartholomew to approve the consent agenda as presented. Board Member Hudson seconded. There was no discussion. The motion passed unanimously.

BUSINESS

1. Special Districts conference

Recorder Hornung announced an upcoming conference by the Special Districts Association of Oregon for which the Mosier Fire District qualifies for a complimentary conference registration.

2. Update on RFQ for financial review

Chief Appleton explained that the Fire District received one response to the RFQ for financial review: Onstott, Broehl & Cyphers of The Dalles for \$3,150. Because the bid is higher than budgeted, a motion was made to make up the difference from the District’s contingency fund.

Board Member Bartholomew moved that up to \$800 be spent from the contingency fund to pay for the review. Board member Hudson seconded. There was no discussion. The motion passed unanimously

3. Update on purchasing crime insurance policy

As discussed at last month’s District meeting, it is more cost effective for the District to purchase a crime insurance policy instead of a fidelity bond.

After Appleton explained the details of the policy, it was agreed by unanimous consensus that the District will go ahead with the purchase of the described crime insurance policy.

4. City lease/truck

Appleton said he expects to receive the City of Mosier attorney’s written opinion soon confirming that the District’s Inter-Governmental Agreement with the City addresses the issue of the building lease. Appleton added there has been no further discussion between the City and the District regarding parking a City truck in a District garage.

5. Meeting with City Council

Appleton noted that the City has requested a general meeting between the Fire District Board and the City Council as a way to keep the lines of communication open. It was proposed that it be scheduled in February 2013 at the earliest.

It was agreed by unanimous consensus that the Fire District and the City Council will meet together sometime in early 2013.

6. Draft policy on vehicle use by Fire District employees

The Board reviewed the draft policy written by Board Member Bartholomew. After discussion, it was agreed to table the issue until a later meeting.

7. Draft policy on Fire District Volunteer membership and draft roster

In order to determine who qualifies as a Mosier Fire District Volunteer, and therefore, who can vote and hold office in the Volunteers Association, the Board reviewed Chief Appleton’s proposed roster, based on the current draft of Policy 2007 “Regular” Members of the Volunteer Association. During discussion, it was brought up that a solution needs to be found for the funds remaining from the Volunteers’ annual fundraising smorgasbord.

Board member Hudson moved that if a volunteer attended more than one Volunteer business meeting that person can vote. There was no second.

A lengthy discussion followed.

Hudson withdrew his motion.

Board member Bartholomew moved to approve the two uppermost lists of names on Appleton’s proposed roster as Volunteers, and requested that the Volunteers donate 80% of the remaining funds from the Volunteers’ annual fundraising smorgasbord to the Mosier Grange. Board member Herman seconded. There was no discussion. Vote: Three ayes. (Molesworth, Hamilton and Herman) Two nays. (Hudson and Bartholomew). Motion passed.

8. Chief’s monthly summary

As the hour was late, it was agreed that no discussion of the Chief’s Summary was necessary.

COMMITTEE REPORTS – None

CORRESPONDENCE – None

Meeting adjourned at 10:31 p.m.

Approved this ____ day of _____, 2012

Attest:

Board President Darin Molesworth

Tracie Hornung, Recorder