

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

DATE: February 14, 2013
7:00 p.m.

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

STAFF: Fire Chief Jim Appleton

Absent:

Excused: Tracie Hornung

Public:

CALL TO ORDER – Meeting was called to order by Board President Darin Molesworth at 7:07 p.m.

ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS – Added to the Board packet were a list of bills. The Chief said he also wanted to add to the agenda updates regarding the budget calendar and the Mid Columbia Auto-Aid Agreement.

BUSINESS FROM THE AUDIENCE – None

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of Minutes – January 10, 2013
2. Review/Approve Bills

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

BUSINESS

1. Apparatus replacement/long range planning

Chief recommends getting one engine that will do what it takes two existing vehicles to do now. He has written a grant proposal for a used replacement engine but has not heard a response yet. The Chief also presented a rough site sketch of a possibility for a new fire station at the county yard. With Board permission, the Chief wants to go to the county and show them the sketch.

It was approved by unanimous consensus of the Board that the Chief will take the sketch to show the county.

2. Draft policy on vehicle use by Fire District employees

Bartholomew reminded the Board that after the last meeting they went home with this draft to review. After discussion, Hudson said he will get his comments to Bartholomew.

3. New draft of vehicle operations policy

Chief said his aim for the next meeting is to discuss and entertain a motion to adopt this policy. He will circulate the draft to the Board so it will be ready for discussion at the March meeting.

4. Overview of capital equipment

Chief discussed expanding radio coverage with a second repeater for the upper station to cover spotty areas within the Fire District. He suggested keeping it in mind for budgeting purposes.

5. Draft Mid Columbia Auto-Aid Agreement

The Chief explained the purpose of the draft agreement. He will meet with Chief Palmer at Mid Columbia next week to discuss it. No decision is required from the Board at this point.

6. Election

The Chief noted that the nomination period for the May Fire District election opened Feb. 11. He asked those Board Members whose terms are expiring to request forms from him if they want to get on the ballot. Also, he asked those Board Members to let him know by Feb. 21 if they are not going to run.

7. Gutter invoice

The Chief explained that the gutter repair was done on the Washington Street office building before it was approved by the Fire District, as required by the City/Fire District Intergovernmental Agreement. The Fire District is also supposed to pay for the repairs. The Chief noted that if the Fire District had known work was planned it would have pursued other bids in the hope of finding a lower cost alternative.

Board Member Molesworth moved to pay the bill. Board Member Herman seconded. There was no discussion. The motion passed unanimously.

8. Chief's monthly summary

The Board reviewed the handout of the Chief's Summary, which includes the actions of the volunteers and duties of the Fire Chief for the month of January. Substantial discussion ensued on local pine trees dying from pine bark beetles. The Chief also listed dates for upcoming budget meetings.

COMMITTEE REPORTS – None

CORRESPONDENCE – Item for volunteers passed on

Meeting adjourned at 8:33 p.m.

Approved this ____ day of _____, 2013

Attest:

Board President Darin Molesworth

Tracie Hornung, Recorder