

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

DATE: May 12, 2016  
7:00 p.m.

BOARD: Mac Jervey, Joanne Rubin, Joe Sacamano, Phil Evans,  
Absent: Darin Molesworth Excused:  
STAFF: Fire Chief Jim Appleton, Bookkeeper Rhonda Starling, Recorder Tracie Hornung  
PUBLIC: Budget Advisory Committee members Brent Foster, Susan Gabay, Maggie Goter,  
Mark Cherniack

CALL TO ORDER – Meeting was called to order by Board Member Phil Evans at 7:06 p.m.

ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS – None

BUSINESS FROM THE AUDIENCE – None

#### CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of Minutes

Board Member Joanne Rubin made a motion to approve the minutes; Board Member Joe Sacamano seconded.

**The motion passed unanimously.**

2. Review/Approve Bills

Board Member Mac Jervey made a motion to approve the bills. Board Member Joe Sacamano seconded.

**The motion passed unanimously.**

➤ **Budget Committee review of 2016-2017 proposed Budget**

Evans suspended the regular meeting at 7:14 p.m. and called the Budget Committee Meeting to order. He asked for nominations for budget chair and secretary. Susan Gabay made a motion to nominate Maggie Goter as Chair; Brent Foster seconded.

**The motion passed unanimously.**

Gabay made a motion to nominate Mark Cherniack as Budget Committee secretary; Foster seconded.

**The motion passed unanimously.**

Chief Appleton thanked the Budget Committee for its help putting the budget together. He said the budget has not changed much since last year and that is good news. However, until now, budgeting has not clearly shown the year-to-year accumulation of Capital Reserve funds, which is increasing at approximately \$40,000-50,000 a year. With this budget it will now be much clearer. Bookkeeper Rhonda Starling said she worked with a CPA to help with the budgeting of equipment depreciation, which had not been addressed in previous budgets. Phil Evans asked about a \$2,500 line item for elections when an election is not planned for this fiscal year. Appleton explained it was simply a contingency option. A discussion followed on the \$300,000 line item for Equipment Expense. Appleton said that reflects the fire truck that the District

expects to have delivered in November, at which time payment begins.

Goter suspended the Budget Committee Meeting at 7:39 p.m. and immediately opened the

➤ **Public Hearing for tax rate acceptance**

No comments were made and the hearing was closed at 7:40 p.m.

Goter reconvened the Budget Meeting and asked if there were any comments from the committee. Hearing none,

**A motion was made by Budget Committee Member Sacamano to accept the tax rate levy of \$1.65 per thousand. Budget Committee Member Rubin seconded. There was no discussion. The motion passed unanimously.**

Goter asked for a vote of the Budget Committee on acceptance of the budget as presented.

**A motion was made by Rubin to accept the budget. Sacamano seconded. The motion passed unanimously.**

The public meeting of the Budget Advisory Committee was adjourned at 7:41 p.m. and Evans reconvened the regular Fire District Board meeting at 7:42 p.m.

**There will be a Budget Hearing at the next Board meeting of June 9, 2016, and the public notice for that meeting will be published in The Dalles Chronicle.**

## BUSINESS

1. Volunteer Reports

None.

2. Committee Reports

Appleton said the Capital Advisory Committee was in the final stages of ordering the tender.

3. Policy/Procedures Review: Revised draft drug-free policy

Appleton said he had not yet sent the draft to the District's attorney but that he had made the change discussed at the previous Board meeting of replacing the word "staff" with "responders."

4. District Vehicle & Apparatus Operation Policy

Tabled; to be addressed at the next Board meeting.

5. Rubin suggested that the District buy new office chairs. It was informally agreed that

that was a good idea, and she agreed to start shopping for them.

6. Chief's Monthly Summary

Appleton gave a summary of April's activities. He noted that his performance review should occur at the June Board meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 8:13 p.m.

Approved this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2016

Attest:

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Board President Darin Molesworth

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Tracie Hornung, Recorder