

Mosier Fire District Capital Advisory Subcommittee Meeting  
Mosier Fire Hall on Washington St.

DATE: September 23, 2014  
8:30 a.m.

MEMBERS: Ken Hudson, Pete Wright, Craig Funk  
STAFF: Fire Chief Jim Appleton, Recorder Tracie Hornung  
Absent:        Excused:        Public:

CALL TO ORDER – Meeting was called to order by Craig Funk at 8:42 a.m.

ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS – None

BUSINESS FROM THE AUDIENCE – None

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

**Ken Hudson made a motion to approve the minutes. Pete Wright seconded it. The motion passed unanimously.**

#### 1. Update on District Activity on Apparatus Plan and Station Study

Chief Appleton explained that the Dry Creek Rd. site had been considered by the District Board as a location for a new fire station and that he had received an estimate of \$125,000 - \$250,000 just to prepare the site for building. He added that the Board had made an informal decision not to pursue that site. He asked what the Subcommittee thought. Funk said he liked the idea of a new station being in town; Appleton said the only feasible possibility for that was the gravel pit but the owners are not interested in selling or donating the land. Appleton said he thought the county yard off State St. was still the best option. He added that the District may want to retain the current office in town as well as the garage there.

On another topic, Appleton said he will provide a breakdown of options regarding buying a mini pumper. He is still monitoring the used market. Funk said he would check to see what Clackamas County paid for theirs, and Appleton said he would check on one owned by Tualatin Valley Fire and Rescue.

Regarding the CAC's role to provide recommendations to the District Board for spending for apparatus as well as a new station, Funk said it was difficult to plan how best to do that considering in a "perfect world" the apparatus plan should be created for a 20-year period. He said that it is advisable to have a rotation plan in which planning for a replacement vehicle begins right after a new (or used) vehicle is purchased. Appleton suggested Funk add a column to the draft plan for a "kitty fund."

Also on this issue, Wright said he was disappointed that he had not heard any comments from the District Board regarding the CAC's Preliminary Report on Apparatus and Facilities that was presented last spring to the Board. He said he would like the CAC to receive better direction from the Board. After discussion it was agreed that Wright will be put on the Board's next meeting agenda (October 9) to address the issue.

#### 2. Review Bids Freightliner M915 Tender Conversion

A discussion followed on an email Appleton had sent to each of the Subcommittee members before the meeting regarding cost estimates for tender conversion. Funk asked Appleton to ask the vendors Cascade and Omco some specific questions about components of the conversion similar to what had been provided in writing by Randco. Appleton said he would do that, as well as confirm that the conversion by all the vendors would be “NFPA compliant”; find out if there is any weight difference between poly and steel tanks; and request that the bid be “turn-key” (i.e., that no additional work would be required before putting the vehicle to use). Appleton said he would check with other fire districts that owned vehicles converted by these vendors, and Wright asked him to ask the districts what they liked about the vehicles and what they would like to change. It was agreed that Wright and Appleton will make a trip to two nearby districts that own vehicles converted by these vendors. Funk asked if the other Subcommittee members agreed that following the next CAC meeting, the recommendation regarding tender conversion could be made at the District Board’s next meeting. The Subcommittee agreed.

Meeting adjourned at 10:35 p.m.

Approved this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2014

Attest:

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Craig Funk, Subcommittee Chair

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Tracie Hornung, Recorder