Helix Rural Fire Protection District Board Meeting

Dated: June 26, 2017

Attendance: ~~Mark Mathews~~ Glenn Tipton Terry Case
Mitch Pankrats Chrys Wernlund Dave Baty

Guests: NONE

Called to Order: 7:00 p.m.

Accept Previous Minutes: Mtn to Accept: Glen 2nd to Accept: Terry
Approved: ALL

Treasurer Report / Bills: Mtn to Accept: Chrys 2nd to Accept: Terry
Approved: ALL

Old Business:

1. Discussion on dropping the 2nd telephone line. Motion to disconnect Helix Telephone line ~~457-2911~~ 457-2900 (fax) & AT&T: Motion made by Terry/Mitch - 2nd . Approved by All.
2. Discussion on if we need to change any insurance information on building or vehicles. Chief Baty stated he looked over all our policies and they are good. For now, we will leave as is.
3. Discussion on getting the new white suburban up and running and logo's on it. Chief Baty will get it licensed and titled and we will move forward.

New Business:

1. Discussion on Board Policies. We as a board are not ready to vote as some have not had enough time to go over them. Tabled till next month.
2. Discussion on the Mission Statement. Chief Baty has not done one yet so tabled till next month.
3. Discussion on Amendments to the IGA. As of July 1st, Sarah Sparks will start doing the book for the District. Chrys will go to bank and give Chief Baty access to bank account. Board Members will still have access to sign (not employees). Chief Baty will update Amendment to show change #1 - Section 5.2 changed to the 17th of the month and showing we will give EUCRFPD $208.00 per month for the budget amount of $2,500 and $500 for taxes for a total of $3,000 per year for financial services. Motion made by Chrys/ 2nd by Glen. Approved by All.
4. The board reviewed the Election Results and Accepted the 5/16/2017 Results of Terry, Mark, & Glen for the 4 year term and Mitch for the 2 year term as new board members.
5. Discussion was had on changing the bank account to the Athena branch vs. Columbia River Bank. Chief Baty was going to check with SDAO to determine on the loan if we could get it cheaper through them; Chrys will check with the bank on what the loan was on and how much is left, etc. We will table till next meeting.
6. Discussion was made on doing the JibCrane & Dump Chute to the one truck. Chief Baty showed documentation on what it would costs, parts, etc. Mtn was made to move forward with Chief Baty's suggestion on implementing crane & chute. Mtn by Glen / 2nd by Mitch. Approved: All

Chief's Reports: Received - Attached hereto

Meeting Adjourned: by Glen / Terry Time: 9:00 p.m.
New Meeting Scheduled for: July 24, 2017 Time: 7:00 p.m.

Helix RFPD

Fire Chief's Report

June 2017

Agenda:

Run Report - Grass fire = 1 EMS assist = 1 MVA = 2

Training Update - RT 130 - SCBA fit testing - CPR -

Budget update - LB1s and LB50s will be turned in this week. (a first for the district - I think.)

Special Projects update -

ODOT - Blacktopping HWY 204 MP 1-6
HWY 335 (Helix HWY) to the Athena turn-off. Only the East Side
All work done by June 30

Dump Chute/Pic Crane - _____

AFL - _____

Maps - copies received from Umatilla county and placed on EUCRFPD apparatus
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Myrick Rd Water tank - not placed yet, vales to be replaced, David Maher of Wilbur Ellis is donating time/resources - on his schedule
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Two Spill Kits Added - B-71, T-71 E-71 _____

Wild Land Gear - all received (except one pair of brush pants) have been inventoried and ready to issue. _____

Govdeals.com - paperwork has been submitted to sell surplus vehicles
(72 Ford/Howe…73 LaFrance…..82 Pierce/Arrow) and EURFPD 1986 Seagraves.
Best/easiest method of selling the vehicles
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Need Board approval (in the minutes) to open accounts at Bank of Eastern Oregon.
And to seek a refinance of CRB loan through SDAO - may save 2-3% on rate.

Fire Season is upon us. Yesterday a Red Flag was declared (Haines 6, RH less than 15%, winds above 10MPH and temps above 90F). I will put out a message on the district website for Farmers and their families regarding fire procedures and best practices regarding "how to stay safe" during a fire emergency. **My philosophy about Farming and land/resources/crops has not - and will not change. I support every Farmer's efforts to save his crops or family at a level of risk he or she is willing to apply**. And, at the point where certain IDLH circumstances apply, I will do my best to apply a decision that accepts certain reality and saves what is savable. **Firefighter and Life safety is always priority #1.** That said, I would like to purchase either Citizen's Band or FRS radios so I might have communication with a combine or disc operator during firefighting operations. Also, I will reach out to establish a liaison relationship with the Helix RFPD farming community. Communication establishes trust and eliminates confusion.

Smoke Alarm Installation Program – webinar based – is still looking for participants. Show flyer with dates

Athena Caledonian Days – July 7-8-9, Entry in tomorrow. Show flyer with dates.

Board Best Practices - Start reviewing Board Policies

Safety Brief – New Mexico Firefighter LODD – Read briefing

Stars
Can't
Shine
Without
Darkness