

AURORA RURAL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

Board of Directors Meeting

Wednesday, February 19, 2020 at 7 pm
Station 900 Aurora, Oregon

ATTENDANCE

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Fire Chief Joshua Williams	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Director Daroll Nicholson
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Director Greg Leo	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Director Fred Hartley
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Director Bobby Meyer	<input type="checkbox"/>	Director Paul Ranta
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Admin Assistant Emily Murphy

CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Board of Directors Meeting was called to order at 7 pm by Director Greg Leo. Pledge of Allegiance and roll call performed. All were present except Director Paul Ranta, who was excused due to illness.

ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO AGENDA – None.

CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Director Meyer to approve the consent agenda for the month of January. The motion was seconded by Director Hartley and unanimously approved.

DISTRICT 63 FIREFIGHTERS REPORT (*Firefighter President*) – Sergeant in Arms, Josh Bandy, stepped in for FF President. He reported that the Association's BINGO fundraiser night is coming up Saturday, March 7th. He hopes all will attend and support the Volunteers FF's.

PUBLIC COMMENT / CORRESPONDENCE AND/OR QUESTIONS

- SDAO Conference – Director Leo requested to move this report to later in the meeting.

OPERATIONAL REPORTS – All reports included in Board Packets, except Fire Chief's.

- Fire Chief – Reported that the new billing company is working out great. Since implemented in October, they've collected \$16K and have \$18K pending. Chief expressed it's not about 'making money,' it's about being effectively compensated for the calls answered to meet the needs of the district – like purchasing new equipment. Chief asked Jon Montgomery to come up to provide further details. Captain Jon Montgomery came forward and presented the new cutter, spreader, and rams (\$17K worth of equipment), plus 2 new combi-tools. This is the first district purchase of equipment since 1980, so it was time to upgrade. All items are battery operated and much more powerful – able to cut through up to 2 cars without needing recharged. Few questions were had regarding voltage and charging time, to which Chief answered 28 volts and lithium ion batteries, which last a long time after only an hour to charge. Each tool has a battery plus a spare, which is effective on cars that are made of stronger alloys. Chief shared that he has tried them and they really work.

- Operations Report – no questions
- Fire Marshal Report – no questions
- Training Report – no questions
- Volunteer Coordinator Report – praise given for this report by Director Meyer, and for the 5 new recruits.

OLD BUSINESS

- **Ehlen Road update** – Chief Williams stated that permits have been approved and S2 Construction is scheduled to begin on the driveway as soon as the geo-tech is completed. The expectation is to be able to have training/drills out there late spring.
- **Audit update** – Chief Williams stated that there is no news regarding the current 2019 audit, but hopes to have an update by the next board meeting.
- **CCOM update** – Chief stated that the radios have been ordered and the transition is still scheduled July 1st at 8 am. Everything is in order and transition should occur without issue.
- **SDAO Report** – Director Nicholson shared his experience at the SDAO Annual Conference, which he recently attended in Seaside, Oregon, and would recommend.

NEW BUSINESS

- **Adopt Budget Calendar** – Discussion: All were in agreement to continue with the motion.

Motion called for by Director Meyer to adopt the Aurora Fire District Budget Calendar for FY20-21 as presented. Seconded by Director Nicholson. All were in favor, passed unanimously.
- **Budget Committee Members** – Chief Williams indicated there are several spots vacant this year. He continued, adding that Aurora Fire District will be publishing an official announcement to the public in the local newspaper, on the district website, and on AFD's social media requesting letters of interest for the open positions.

NEXT REGULAR BOARD MEETING: Date: Wednesday, March 18, 2020
 Time: 7:00 pm
 Location: Donald Station Meeting Room

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 7:29 pm.

Approved: _____



Bobby Meyer, Board Secretary/Treasurer