

# TILLAMOOK FIRE DISTRICT

## 6/10/2014

The regular monthly meeting for Tillamook Fire District was held on Tuesday, June 10<sup>th</sup>, 2014, at 5:15 p.m. at the Tillamook Fire Station, 2310 Fourth Street, Tillamook, Oregon.

Directors Present: Joe Martin, Secretary/Treasurer  
Eric Simmons, Vice-Chair  
Tim Hamburger, Director  
Debra Reeves, Board Chair

Directors Excused: Dave Mattison, Director

Staff Present: Rick Adams, Fire Chief  
Rueben Descloux, Fire Marshal

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by Board Chair Debra Reeves.

**Minutes:** A motion to approve the minutes for May 13<sup>th</sup>, 2014 was made by Tim Hamburger and seconded by Joe Martin. Ayes were received from the other members present and the motion carried.

**Bills:** Joe Martin had a question about two checks issued to the same individual. Chief Adams had caught the error and destroyed the duplicate check. A motion to pay the May 2014 bills was made by Joe Martin and seconded by Eric Simmons. Ayes were received from all members present and the motion carried.

**Correspondence and Financial Statement:** Chief Adams forwarded electronic copies of all correspondence.

According to the financial statement for May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2014 the balance in the State Pool is \$350,798.27 and with an adjustment in checking of \$1,040.47 the final balance is \$351,838.74. The balance in the Reserve Fund is \$87,063.63.

A motion to approve the May financial statement was made by Tim Hamburger and seconded by Eric Simmons. Ayes were received from all members present and the motion carried.

**Fire Chief Report:** Chief Adams reported that May proved to be the busiest month on record with 79 total emergencies.

We are waiting on the final tax disbursement from the County which should be between \$24,000-29,000 which gives us a \$315,000-320,000 cash carryover.

The Seagraves is undergoing some very thorough maintenance with new tires, brakes, radiator repair, wiring and more. Chuck is starting to put the antique back together slowly but it has got in the way of servicing other apparatus.

UL came down last week and performed the “every other year” inspection test. A small crack was found on the light mount on the tip, nothing structurally related though.

The Hurst battery powered tools are back on Truck 31.

Chief ordered 9 new sets of turnouts for the amount of around \$18,000. It looks like OSHA is adopting the NFPA 5 year turnout replacement schedule which could cause some budget issues in the future.

The new pagers have arrived and the billing will be applied to the June budget.

There was ODF refresher training held last week and more this week prior to the fire season.

The open house will follow the June Dairy Parade celebrating our 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

Dave Pennicook wants to schedule some Board member training later this year. Chief thinks September or October would work best. This makes the District eligible for a 2% insurance discount.

Firehouse software was not going anywhere, Chief attempted to contact our sales rep and finally someone in corporate and neither party would assist him regarding our contract and FH upgrade. Chief told them we are done using the software and began researching both the OSFM reporting software and Emergency Reporting. After some initial data entry in the OSFM sponsored software, Chief looked more at the Emergency Reporting. The ER software is much more intuitive, web based and feature rich all while costing less than FH software. Another advantage to using ER software is there is not long term contract, more of a pay as you go. Chief Adams gave a short demo of the software to the members present.

**Fire Marshal Report:** FM Descloux reported that there were forty eight inspections performed during the month of May with the majority of those inspections performed in the core area of town.

Additional inspections included fire protection, sprinkler system, building occupancy and consultation type inspections. Most consult inspections for the month were for code requirements concerning facility upgrades.

There were approximately 79 emergencies responded to for the month of May making it the busiest month on record!

74% of our emergencies were Rescue and Emergency type incidents including medical assists and MVAs. 58% of calls were medical assistance type calls, the majority of which were handled by staff during normal business hours and approximately 13% of our call volume was for MVAs.

An additional high angle rescue was performed at Mills Bridge for a 10 YOM who was on an inner tube and swept down the river. He washed up on a ledge and attempted to side hill the cliff. Becoming stuck on a small rock outcropping, his mother called 911 for fire department rescue. A vertical high angle rope rescue system was established to retrieve the 10 YO.

The second highest percentage of calls for the month was for good intent calls with the majority of those for being cancelled enroute.

There were four fire type calls for the month including one building fire, fire in a structure other than a building and two outside rubbish fires..

The structure fire occurred in a farm building on McCormick Loop Road. The cause of the fire was from a tractor which caught on fire after the person working on it had caught himself on fire! He extinguished himself and came back to find the tractor and now building on fire. The estimated dollar loss due to the fire was determined to be around \$22,000.

A small conveyor fire occurred at Hampton's after a bearing overheated.

Two outside fires occurred with no financial losses.

CPR / AED training was provided for employees with the Tillamook 911 center.

Permits continue to be slow.

**Non-Agenda Items:** none

**Concerns of the Board:** City staff met to discuss business license issues including how to find businesses without a current license. They discussed the possibility of forming an IGA with the District so that the Fire Marshal, when inspecting, can check to see if the business has a current license and forward findings monthly to the City. As it lies outside the scope of FM Descloux's authority, he will follow up with OSFM to ensure there are no legal issues.

As there was no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned at 6:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Rueben Descloux  
Fire Marshal

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Board Chair Debra Reeves