

TILLAMOOK FIRE DISTRICT

11/12/2013

The regular monthly meeting for Tillamook Fire District was held on Tuesday, November 12th, 2013, at 5:15 p.m. at the Tillamook Fire Station, 2310 Fourth Street, Tillamook, Oregon.

Directors Present: Debra Reeves, Board Chair
Tim Hamburger, Director
Joe Martin, Secretary/Treasurer
Dave Mattison, Director

Directors Absent: Eric Simmons, Vice-Chair

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

Guests: Paul Wyntergreen, Tillamook City Manager

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

Second Street: So as to allow Paul time to make his next meeting he was bumped up ahead of regular business. Paul and the City of Tillamook are considering closing Second Street between Main and Pacific Avenue. The closure is to develop a town plaza catering to tourists and business owners alike. Paul indicated that the development may include breakaway bollards and a designated emergency access lane. Chief Adams shared concerns regarding the protection of businesses and people occupying the buildings affected by the potential closure. Adams also indicated that he would support the emergency access lane and draft up a letter to present to the Council at the next meeting. Some recommended conditions of closure would be the designated fire access lane, underground utilities, hydrant supplement and repair.

Minutes: A motion to approve the minutes for October 8th, 2013 was made by Joe Martin and seconded by Tim Hamburger. Ayes were received from all members present and the motion carried.

Bills: A motion to pay the October 2013 bills was made by Tim Hamburger and seconded by Joe Martin. Ayes were received from all members present and the motion carried.

Correspondence and Financial Statement: The October Financial Statement was not ready for the meeting.

A motion to approve the September 2013 Financial Statement was made by Dave Mattison and seconded by Joe Martin. Ayes were received from all members present and the motion carried.

Fire Chief Report: Chief Adams reported that the monthly expenses are high because he paid the employee payroll taxes.

We are still waiting on a copy of our depreciation schedule for fixed assets to submit to our Auditor, Pat Carney.

Rescue 48 is out of service with a blown head gasket. Chuck has the top of the engine tore down and is starting to put it all back together. We anticipate that the rescue should be back in service by the beginning of next week.

The new ZOLL Autopulse is now in service after a few weeks of in-service training with staff and volunteers. Additional training was held at Tillamook Regional Medical Center for the benefit of our medics and hospital staff.

All station maintenance is currently on hold pending apparatus and equipment repairs.

The realtor for Station 73 called and said that the building has sold. Her and the new building owner want to meet with Chief Adams tomorrow to discuss the future of the station. It is unknown what the new lease rates will be for the future and it might be time to consider a future station location for the community.

Jason has a light duty release from his doctor allowing him to go back to work. Chief Adams indicated that the District needs to revisit our work comp and Provident plan. The amounts paid out to Jason during his injured down time did not pay enough to support him and his family. We may need to look at different rates so as to avoid this from happening again.

The District attorney is reviewing the Firehouse contract for web hosting. Benefits with the new software are primarily accessibility, field data entry, encryption and most importantly offsite server storage in the “cloud”. The parent company for Firehouse Software is Xerox.

The ASA plan is being reviewed and rewritten. Part of the proposal is turning 3141 into a 12 hour car instead of 24. This may cause an increase in EMS type calls for fire agencies throughout the county. Tillamook Fire District is one of the only non-QRT type fire agencies left. If we became a designated QRT we could see a significant call volume increase in EMS calls by nearly 1500 additional emergency calls. Additional meetings are scheduled amongst the chiefs to discuss this.

Fire Marshal Report: Due to time constraints, FM Descloux discussed the barn fire on South Prairie Road. Due to the nature of the fire, contents and overhaul methods, there

could not be a thorough fire investigation performed. The cause of the fire is still undetermined at this time.

Descloux assisted employees at the Tillamook County Library during their last fire drill exercise. The staff proved unfamiliar with reset procedures for the alarm, primarily with the annunciator panel at the front door.

Non-Agenda Items: Chief Adams submitted a copy of the newest ZOLL Autopulse SOGs for member review.

Concerns of the Board: none

As there was no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned at 6:22 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Rueben Descloux
Fire Marshal

Board Chair Debra Reeves