

TILLAMOOK FIRE DISTRICT

4/9/2013

The regular monthly meeting for Tillamook Fire District was held on Tuesday, April 9th, 2013, at 5:15 p.m. at the Tillamook Fire Station, 2310 Fourth Street, Tillamook, Oregon.

Directors Present: Eric Simmons, Vice-Chair
Debra Reeves, Board Chair
Tim Hamburger, Director
Joe Martin, Secretary/Treasurer
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: Chair Reeves found a motion in the March minutes which did not have the language pertaining to a motion being carried. A motion to approve the minutes for March 12th, 2013 with corrections was made by Eric Simmons and seconded by Tim Hamburger. Ayes were received from all members present and the motion carried.

Bills: A motion to pay the March, 2013 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: A copy of the Local Focus from the League of Oregon Cities was made available to members at the meeting.

According to the financial statement for March 30th, 2013 with an adjustment in the checking account for \$1,299.50 the total balance in the State Pool is \$408,524.43. The balance in the Reserve Fund is \$70,019.41.

Fire Chief Report: Chief Adams reported that the ODS numbers will be available after the upcoming meeting in Eugene. Once the numbers are obtained he will be able to complete the draft budget. The anticipated rise in health care costs should not exceed 15%.

The attorney fees pertaining to questions about selling the volunteer's donated vehicle came back in over \$1,700. A motion to split the cost with the Association was made by Eric Simmons and seconded by Dave Mattison. Ayes were received from all members present and the motion carried.

The new 7149 Rescue's engine blew up while responding to an emergency with only 3,000 miles on the engine. There seems to be a history with this particular engine and there is a critical backorder. A new box engine to replace the bad one was found in

Canada and pending customs will be delivered for installation. After the engine repair there is still a brake problem which needs to be fixed.

Truck 31 had its annual UL ladder test and passed without any issues.

Annual maintenance has been performed on all the apparatus by Chuck.

There have been no AFG Fema grant announcements this last month.

Volunteers reviewed a handful of different thermal imager cameras during a training burn exercise. They purchased the new Argus TI camera manufactured in Europe which is smaller and costs \$3,000 less than the other units.

The new turnouts have been ordered from Sea Western.

The OSHA / SDAO check list has been reviewed and a number of abatements made including: The MSDS has been updated and the inventory list and guidelines have been updated. There were a couple of circuits not labeled clearly in the panels, they have all been updated. Evacuation maps for all the stations have been made and placed accordingly. The eye wash stations have all had their solutions changed out. Hearing protection including ear plugs and headsets for the apparatus have been put on the trucks.

The recruit academy was completed in nearly three month's time, with only one recruit still needing a couple classes. The burn trailer was brought in and they all had a chance to participate in a double barrel fire exercise. We setup the trailer at the Power Chevrolet facility and practiced roll-ins, placement, accountability and company evolutions where we found some work is still needed.

The awards banquet is to be held May 4th at the Church of the Nazarene. Joe, Dave and Debbie have all indicated that they will be attending the banquet.

We are still waiting to hear back from the 360 Taskforce regarding the ISO best practices.

Fire Marshal Report: Fire Marshal Descloux reported that there were eight inspections performed during the month of March. Two of the regular inspections included CHS Nutrition (feed mill) and the BLM building on Third Street. Both inspections were scheduled so that safety directors could be present for the inspection.

The CHS building was found to have an addition not built to code. The new warehouse on the north end was added to the building with no fire separation and in fact, a roll up door and non-rated metal clad man door. The sprinkler system was not extended into the new facility which would be required not only as an "addition" to the existing building but because the high rack storage is over 16' pushing 20'. The fire alarm system was not extended into the new building as well which means there are no horn/strobe units or a manual fire alarm pull station at the "new" exit door, rather; it still is located at the internal man door.

The BLM building is a partially sprinklered building with sprinklers located in the warehouse portion only. The office building addition is separated by a 2 hour rated fire wall and therefore not required to have the system extended. The dry system was tested by Rainbow Fire Suppression on the day of my inspection with a trip test time of only 20 seconds, well within the allotted 60. BLM is a federal building claiming to be exempt from local code enforcement similar to the Post Office. I submitted a fire inspection report to them all the same.

The special inspection held at the fairgrounds was for the annual spring bazaar. There was one vendor who had a faulty cord found supplying a small microwave. The next special inspection will be for the Headlight Herald Home and Garden show on April 6-7.

Pre-plan drawings were completed for the CHS Nutrition feed mill out at the POTB. Significant concerns were noted for confined space problems due to the many grain / feed silos and towers throughout the entire property. Additional firefighter hazards noted included the open pits and the pan traps some up to size 4 for pest control. As mentioned in the inspection portion, the warehouse is not protected and it was recommended to administration that they consult with their sprinkler and alarm companies.

There were approximately 42 emergencies responded to for the month of March, on par with the previous month.

69% of our emergencies were Rescue and Emergency type incidents including medical assists and MVAs. 45% of calls were medical assistance type calls, the majority of which were handled by staff during normal business hours and approximately 7% of our call volume was for MVAs.

The second highest percentage of calls for the month was good intent calls making up approximately 12% of our call volume.

There was one fire type call for the month making up a little over 2% of our call volume. An outdoor fire at Goodspeed Park was caused by someone emptying their charcoal from a barbecue onto the ground. The fire did not extend to or cause any other damage.

There was one CPR class held at ODF for approximately 30 employees. The class was to proctor their hands on demonstrative skills following the online portions that they did in house.

Building permits, primarily residential continue to come through the office including new houses off Brookfield, Creekside Meadows and more.

The contractor for the new Roby's Store on Hwy 101 N called requesting hydrant flow data and setbacks. The sprinkler requirements for the new store with high piled furniture over 16' will require Ordinary Type 2 sprinklers. Site and plan review pending the contractor indicated he is hoping to break ground this summer.

Tacos La Providencia (Octavio) has purchased the old Wyss property just north of the Fern Restaurant. They are proposing a new site for their mobile cook stand along with some permanent facilities including a two story block building with dining on the second floor. The size of the building may not require sprinklers but if the County Building Official deems the building an A-2 “restaurant” than the little 24x24 building may be required to have sprinklers. An alternative to the additional protection is to have the stairwells fully rated and enclosed so as to become part of the exit discharge. Language in the commentary suggests that you cannot exit out onto a level other than the ground unless sprinklered or protected as aforementioned.

Non-Agenda Items: none

Concerns of the Board: none

As there was no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned at 6:07 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Rueben Descloux
Fire Marshal

Board Chair Debra Reeves