

JOINT FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
FERRY COUNTY 3/STEVENS COUNTY 8
MINUTES, October 10, 2013

The regular meeting of the Joint Fire Protection District Ferry County District 3/Stevens County District 8 was called to order at 6:35p.m, on October 10, 2013, at the District Office by Chairman Helen Sowards. Present: Commissioners Helen Sowards, Susan Dechant, Steve Benell, Robert Morton, Secretary Peter Holter-Mehren, Purchasing Agent Mark Stevens, and Chief Herb Hippler.

Minutes .

Minutes of September 12, 2013 were discussed. **Motion,Sowards, to pass minutes of September 12, seconded by Benell. m/s/p**

Resolution 2013-09,to increase Secretary's salary, was signed by Board

Correspondence: Secretary read two out-going thank-you letters to Noisy Waters and the Jones' family.

Budget Report

Commissioner Dechant presented a current budget report. She reports that all accounts look good and income from the Treasurer's Office is in line with anticipated amount. Copies of current financial statements were given to all board members. She then presented the Board with the Amended Budget for 2013.

Motion, Benell, to pass the Amended 2013 Budget, seconded by Morton. m/s/p

2014 Budget has been developed and will be published for public input.

Motion, Sowards, to accept preliminary Budget for 2014, seconded by Benell. m/s/p

Vouchers

Vouchers were discussed. **Motion Dechant, to approve vouchers, seconded by Benell. m/s/p**

VOUCHERS AUDITED AND CERTIFIED BY THE AUDITING OFFICER AS REQUIRED BY RCW 42.24.080 and those expense reimbursement claims certified as required by RCW 42.24.090, have been recorded on a listing, which has been made available to the board.

As of this date October 10, 2013 the board by a unanimous vote, does approve for payment those vouchers included in the above list and further described as follows: Vouchers 304659- 304683 in the total amount of \$8,934.88

Committee Reports

Buildings: Commissioner Morton reported on the gravel and building issues at Sand Creek. All appears to be moving along smoothly. .

Communications:

Recruitment – Commissioner Sowards. Rob Rennich from Kettle Falls is becoming a member of our district so that he can participate as an EMT.

Fire Safety

Insurance-

Chief's Report for July to September 2013

The repeater was up and fully functional until the end of September when the 110v power supply went out. I will be sending it in for repair; I reprogrammed the tactical repeater to the Barstow frequency to cover its absence. If the old repeater is repairable we will have to purchase a new one. Greg Brown has received an old BNSF phone both to house our electrical equipment; this will make a more secure housing.

The old engine 3844 (Diamond T) has been taken out of Hagg cove station and will be placed on Ebay for surplus. I have moved 3891 to Hagg Cove station for storage this winter.

Action training software has changed the way the we will access their software. The program is on the cloud, I recommend that we only due a two year contract with them as this system is new.

Spoke with DNR about the 50/50 grant, I asked the question when all funds must be spent, the will call back next week with that answer. Also DNR will be doing an inventory next Wednesday off all FEPP vehicles and property.

This year's FEMA grant is coming up, I would like to apply for two grants this year, the first will be a vehicle grant, I would like to purchase a tender / engineone one grant and the other for equipment. Once again it's only a 5% matching funds for each grant. The tender engine will be around \$320,000 and the equipment will be under \$25,000 for the micro grant.

The 2013 Sate mob season has come to an end with over \$23,000 for the total this year.

Medical Officer's Report:

We are currently operating with 11 First Responders/EMT's. W recently added an EMT from Kettle Falls Fire Dept. so that he could be a part of a licensed agency. Stevens County Sheriff's Ambulance is planning to have an EMT class starting in January. They are not planning on advertising it if they can get enough students from local first response agencies or recommendations. Responses for the month include:

48 yom – overdose	81 yom – fall
75 yom – fall	66 yom – chest pain
64 yof – anxiety	78 yof – fall
44 yom – gunshot wound	60 yof – DOA
28 yom – vehicle crash	66 yof – fall
76 yom - stroke	

Open Issues:

- Uniforms. Secretary compiling a list of all volunteers sizes for shirt order.
- Traffic Safety Signal. Commissioner Morton is now in contact with DOT
- Action Training Software was discussed

Motion, Sowards, to purchase a two-year contract with Action Training Software for structural training for fire fighters, seconded by Benell

New Issues:

Purchase of a large ceremonial American Flag was discussed.

Motion: Sowards, to purchase a large ceremonial American flag for special events, seconded by Benell.

Adjournment: Motion by Sowards, seconded by Dechant, to adjourn at 2045. m/s/p

Respectfully submitted:

Peter Holter-Mehren, Secretary

Helen Sowards, Chairperson