

JOINT FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
FERRY COUNTY 3/STEVENS COUNTY 8

MINUTES

June 9, 2011

The regular meeting of the Joint Fire Protection District Ferry County District 3/Stevens County District 8 was called to order at 6:30p.m, on June 9, 2011, at the District Office by Chairman Helen Sowards. Present: Commissioners Helen Sowards, Susan Dechant, Kent Dickinson, Steve Benell, Robert Lee, Secretary Peter Holter-Mehren, Chief Herb Hippler, and Purchasing Agent Mark Stevens

Minutes

Minutes of May 12, 2011 were discussed.

Motion, Dechant, to pass minutes of May 12, 2011, seconded by Dickinson. m/s/p

Communications to the Board

Duane Ross, owner of Haag Cove property addressed the board about his perceived lack of use of the property. Commissioners assured him that we continue to use the building and will do so even more if more volunteers are found for that area.

Josh Wolf addressed the board and submitted an estimate for \$6594.80 for re-hanging, tape, mask prime and texture for the Sand Creek Station.

Motion, Dechant, to approve estimate from Josh Wolf and to pay ½ down on work to be done, seconded by Dickinson. m/s/p

Budget Report

Commissioner Dechant presented a current budget report. She reports that all accounts look good. Various written reports were given to the Commissioners using the BIAS system.

Motion, Dickinson, to move \$40,000 to State Pool, seconded by Lee.

Vouchers

Vouchers were discussed.

Motion Dechant, to approve vouchers, seconded by Sowards.

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 June 9, 2011 the board by a unanimous vote, does approve for payment those vouchers included in the above list and further described as follows: (funds) voucher numbers 2011139 through 2011163 in the total amount of \$14594.44 with Commissioner Dickinson abstaining from the vote on voucher 2011113. Voucher 2011150 voided as a duplicate voucher.

Committee Reports

Buildings: Written Report submitted by Commissioner Bakken in her absence

- Just wanted to let you know the update for the Sand Creek Station. Chris Petterson finished installing the sheetrock and it looks great! I am enclosing an estimate from Chris Petterson to do the taping, texturing and painting. I did call Darren Wisess also for the drywall work but no response from him. If you want to approve the estimate from Chris please notify him @ 684-3215.
- Therin Booth sent off the water sample and it PASSED!!!! Yeah! That was all that DOH needed to get our approval. There will be no additional fee from them, and we will receive our paperwork soon. Therin Booth will charge a small fee for the second sample, and he is waiting for an

inspection from the electrical inspector before he sends a bill for what is still due. He will contact Peter @ the office also.

- I got an extension on our building permit, and paperwork showing the requirements for an ADA bathroom. When I get back hopefully we can continue on that project.
- I called Dennis Graham @ Job Corp to come pick up their scaffolding, but so far he has not done that. He still insists that he thought we were satisfied with the work that they did????
- I contacted Road Side Sani-Can, and they will pick up their sani-can.
- We do have water @ the Sand Creek

Communications: None

Recruitment – Commissioner Sowards. We currently have 38 volunteers

Fire Safety – Commissioner Dickinson. No report

Insurance- Commissioner Benell. Peter and Herb will work towards getting a mobile equipment schedule ready for Enduris

Chiefs Report:

- FEMA grant for 2010 was not awarded. I did attend the 2011 grant writing work shop here in Colville May 26th 2011. The big changes for 2011 is that the computer will score 50% of your grant, once you make it past the computer then the grant will go to review. The key word for 2011 is “RISK”.
- The DNR grant GRT1147 has been awarded and the gear and equipment is coming in time for the 2011 wild land fire season.
- An officers meeting was held June 6th. The main topic was discipline, we all agreed on how to handle situations in the department in a professional manner and follow basic guidelines.
- We have been awarded a trailer from GSA. This will be used for state MOB fire and I.C. unit for large fires in our district.
- I am currently working on changing the way volunteers make up missed meetings, and hoping the new system will work out better than the previous one we attempted. A list of all classes is posted next to the entry door along with a file cabinet housing all information needed for each fire fighter training.
- Equipment: 3841 will be out of service for about three weeks, having the pump repaired in Spokane. Thanks to Thomas and Peter for removing it from the truck. We currently are using 3891 in its place to cover fires.
- Tender at Colmac: Kent and Peter viewed the tender at Colmac last month, as they say good things come to those who wait. I’m hoping they finish before the 2011 wild land fire season starts, but it is out of my control.
- The 2011 red card refresher class info has been turned into DNR; thanks to Ken Kerr for his time and effort and for keeping us compliant.
- Live fire training: We have acquired and structure for live fire training on Paradise Cove road to do live fire training in. The work date has been set for the 18th of this month meet at the T.C. at 8am. The live fire training is set for the 25th. @ 8am, I have invited other districts to attend, but haven't heard back from anyone yet. We will be following the NFPA 1403 standards.
- The 2000 Freight liner 6x6 grant funds are now available, hoping to submit 50% of the purchased cost towards the grant. Found a SST 2500 gallon tank at Fort Lewis; this will save big money freeing up funds to purchase other items for the vehicle.
- Mutual aid with the U.S. Forest service, attached below in an email concerning this issue:
“Just an update regarding my proposal to you of a Coop Suppression agreement between the Colville NF and your fire district.
I have gotten waylaid by some technicalities so I'm behind my timeline. However, I haven't

forgotten and hope to get a draft into our Grants and Agreements Specialist this month. If it looks like I'm in the ballpark, I'll be able to send you a draft for discussion. The hope is to have one agreement between the Colville NF and all the fire districts of Ferry County and Stevens 8.

In the meantime, I need two bits of information from each of you to be able to proceed with the agreement. The financial machinery requires a DUNS number and a TAX ID number for each district. I'm sure you have those if you've ever gotten federal grant money, so if you would reply back to me with those two numbers each, I'll add that to the document before I send it in.

Also, I'm off on a fire assignment so I'll be out of commission for a couple of weeks. I'll let you know more as soon as I make some better headway on the agreement.

Thanks for your patience.

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Medical Officer's Report:

- We need to replace our Epi-Pens (we have 12) at a cost of about \$100 each. Currently Dr. Artiz is creating a policy to use epinephrine in vials and draw it up with syringes which cost \$5. Probably we will have a combination of both.
- We received the State Prehospital Trauma Participation Grant for the year - \$1738.
- Responses this month include:
 - 70yom, chest pain
 - 4-wheeler crash, 2 patients
 - 78 yom, chest pain

NEW ISSUES: None

Executive Session: None

Adjournment: 8:30 pm on Motion by Dickinson, seconded by Lee. m/s/p

Respectfully submitted:

Peter Holter-Mehren, Secretary