

JOINT FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

MINUTES, August 14, 2014

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 August 14, 2014 at the District Office by Chairperson Helen Sowards. Present: Commissioners Helen Sowards, Susan Dechant, Steve Benell, Graham (Rudy) Wooten, Robert Morton, Robert Lee, Chief Herb Hippler, Secretary Peter Holter-Mehren, and Purchasing Agent Mark Stevens.

Minutes

Minutes of July 14, 2014 were discussed. **Motion, Wooten, to pass minutes of July 14, 2014, as amended, seconded by Benell. m/s/p**

Resolution 2014-09 (Surplus of 1988 Ford Ambulance) was amended to read "as is" and signed by Commissioners.

Communications to the Board: None

Correspondence: A letter from Martin Creek Community was read. A thank-you letter from Stevens County Fire District 1 was read

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. It was noted that we have spent around \$3000 on MOB fuel but income to the district will be around \$50,000.

Vouchers were discussed. **Motion, Sowards, to approve vouchers submitted, seconded by Dechant. 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 August 14, 2014 the board by a unanimous **vote**, does approve for payment those vouchers included in the above list and further described as follows: Accounts Payable in the total amount of \$33,588.98, vouchers #304976 through 305012.

Committee Reports

Buildings – Commissioner Lee: Building of the shop is progressing, metal and ridge cap installed on roof, electrical to follow

Communications- Commissioner Wooten. *-NO REPORT Peter*

Recruitment – Commissioner Sowards. No new members this month. Chairperson Sowards took several new member packets to hand out to interested people near Tipton Station

Fire Safety - None

Insurance – None

Chief's Report: July to August, 2014

MOB fires: MOB fires and more MOB fires have been keeping the fire service busy this year. We have seen record number of acres burnt across the state, but here locally we have dodged the bullet so far.

We had an unexpected visitor in the Orient station last week (8-10-14) the L&I boiler inspector, is requesting that we give him access to all station to document all hot water heaters and air compressors. He said "I don't know how you guys have gotten away with this for so long!" This will be a bi-yearly inspection. He can be reached at [509-385-7728](tel:509-385-7728) and would like to inspect all stations first of next month.

Structure class in middle of summer is not turning out so well, attendance is below average and not sure if it is because of the heat or just everyone is enjoying summer. We usually teach this class in late fall.

We have experienced some vehicle break downs this year and one tire blow out causing significant damage to 3848 (Colmac Tender) this has become an insurance claim due to the costly repairs. All other vehicle repairs are completed thanks to some volunteers.

The 2013 FEMA grant was not awarded, but we have closed out the 2013 DNR 50/50 grant receiving a check for \$11,800 for the freightliner.

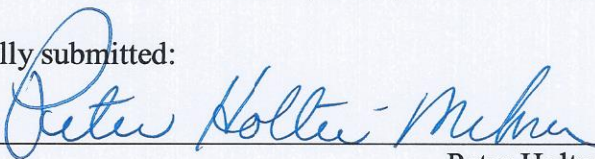
Medical Officer's Report: None

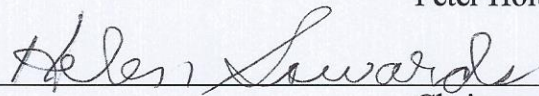
Open Issues:

1. CPR Training for Fire fighters. Chief Hippler will arrange with Terry Gordon for a xlass in CPR and First Aid for fire fighters
2. Recruitment for Tipton Station. Much discussion ensued, some plans will be made to canvass the area in the near future.

Adjournment: Motion, Dechant, to adjourn at 7:35pm, seconded by Wooten. m/s/p

Respectfully submitted:


Peter Holter-Mehren, Secretary


Chairperson