

Board of Directors
Regular Meeting
August 11th, 2021
Mohawk Valley Fire Station #1
92068 Marcola Rd.

Call to Order: Quentin Holmes called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Chris Barnes ran the meeting since the Chief was on conflagration at the Middle Fork Fire.

Roll Call: Elmer Shew X Quentin Holmes X
Eric Stevenson Kevin Woodworth Peggy Schultz X

Approval of Minutes: July 2021 board meeting
Quentin asked if there were any corrections to last month's board meeting minutes. Quentin asked for a motion for approval; Elmer motioned to approve, and it was seconded by Peggy. It was approved 3-0.

Audience Participation (Citizen Testimony): none

Correspondence: None

Emergency Prep Group:

There is a sub-group to help with the evacuation of large animals. There is work being done for emergency communication. There is a small commercial transmitter that people can buy and coordinate with their area. Peggy asked about the channels for it. Yes, it does, and we are clustered by geographic area.

Financial Report: July 2021 report

The report was reviewed. The highlights include:

- The last year had a typo. It is supposed to say June 30, 2020, not 2021
- Bootleg fire conflagration wages were paid
- Payment for a conflagration said holiday farm, suppose to say bootleg
- Payment for New Command Truck

Quentin asked for a motion for approval; Peggy motioned to approve, and it was seconded by Elmer. It was approved 3-0.

Fire Chief Report: Officer's Report/ Maintenance Report/ Activity Report

The Activity Report was discussed with highlights that include:

- Chief phoned in for a little bit at this point and gave an update. He did level 2 evacuations, the weather is not helping, and think no one will get released until after Saturday
- Training on heat illness and dehydration
- Peggy mentioned the amount of call history do not add up
- July was the busiest month in our history

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Maintenance Report

The Maintenance Report was not included but was discussed. The highlights include:

- Basic vehicle maintenance
- Upgrade base station 4. This improves communications between stations and dispatch.
- Rescue is completed.
- Get graphics on project trucks
- Update communications
- Repairs on engine after conflagration
- Brush apparatus pump repairs

Old Business:

1. Grants
OSFM grant – there is a microchip shortage, so we are waiting to hear. We have not heard back about the staffing grant to get added personnel for 3 years. We have the seismic grant to retrofit station 1. We will continue this project in November
2. COVID 19 Update
Masks are required again indoors. We have a high vaccination rate. It was asked if we have any positive tests come back for volunteers or staff, we have not.
3. Project Updates
Rescue has been completed, and new command truck will be started when weather cools

New Business:

1. Audit
It was completed on August 5. We will get the report soon. There wasn't any relevant findings. The auditor praised Chief's work.

Items Not on Agenda:

Elmer mentioned building a car port to help protect our vehicles. Chris says this has been considered, we want to expand the parking lot at station 4 and do a cover.

Future Meeting Agenda Items:

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Next meeting

Board Meeting September 8, 2021

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Adjourn: Adjourned at 7:36pm.

Quentin asked for a motion to adjourn; Peggy motioned to approve, and it was seconded by Elmer. It was approved 3-0.

Public comment is invited. Portions of this meeting may be held in executive session as per **ORS 192.660**.

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Agenda Posted: Marcola Community Market, Mohawk Valley Fire District #1, Mohawk General Store, Website.

Submitted by Brenda Williams