



# McKenzie Fire & Rescue

Board Meeting

November 18, 2024

- Directors
- President Derek Wing
  - Vice President Bruce Daniel
  - Secretary/Treasurer Lee Means
  - Board Member Raymond Byrne, Jr.
  - Board Member George Burnette Dillon
- Staff
- Fire Chief Darren Bucich
  - Deputy Chief Bart Thompson
  - Administrative Assistant Dulcy Pierce

President Derek Wing called the November meeting of the McKenzie Fire & Rescue Board of Directors to order at 12:03 p.m. on Monday, November 18th, 2024, at the Leaburg Training Center, 42870 McKenzie Highway, Leaburg, Oregon.

Guests: Dale Ledyard, Volunteer Battalion Chief, McKenzie Fire & Rescue

Approval of Board Meeting Minutes: Lee Means moved to accept the minutes, as presented, of the October 21, 2024, Board meeting. George Burnette Dillon seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: A motion to file the treasurer's report for the month of October, subject to audit, was made by Bruce Daniel. Raymond Byrne, Jr. seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Chief's Report: Chief Bucich's written report was included in the Board packet.

Also discussed:

PIER Grant: Lane County will be managing the grant. We are waiting on the next steps.

EWEB Fuels Reduction Grant: We are working on a public announcement and invite to bid. Chief Bucich will be scheduling a public meeting once these things are in place to discuss wildfire safety and fuels reduction.

16-2 Roof Damage: A tree fell across the back of 16-2's roof. A portion of the roof will need to be replaced. Because of the extent of the damage, this will be turned in to the insurance company.

Digital Sign: The award of the 2023 SAFER grant included \$30,000 to be used toward the purchase of a new digital sign in front of 16-3. Recently, the District received \$48,000 in additional grant funds from Special Districts Association of Oregon. Chief Bucich proposed using \$15,000 of the unexpected SDAO funds along with the awarded \$30,000 for the purchase and installation of a new digital sign.



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Following discussion, Bruce Daniel moved to spend up to \$15,000 of the SDAO grant award toward the purchase of the new digital sign, along with the \$30,000 from the awarded SAFER grant. George Burnette Dillon seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Solar Panels: Following discussion about proposed solar panels to be installed at 16-3, the Board would like Chief Bucich to continue to obtain quotes for solar panels.

Personnel: Chief Bucich reported that Training Officer Captain David Sherwood gave notice. His last shift was Monday, November 4<sup>th</sup>. The current plan is to divide David's duties between the current staffing:

Recruit & Retention, Student Program:	Carmen Pierce
Training Records, Training Calendar:	Lane Palahniuk
EMS/Recertification Hours:	Lieutenant Clayton Canfield

Lieutenant Jeff Fox has been able to cover shifts in the interim. The open position has been advertised and will close on December 3<sup>rd</sup>. Interviews will follow.

GMRS Radios: The District remains involved without being involved in the management.

## Action Items

Resolution #5 – Accepting Revenue & Authorizing Expenditures for the Rail Ridge Conflagration, \$60,403

Raymond Byrne, Jr. moved to accept Resolution #5 - Accepting Revenue & Authorizing Expenditures for the Rail Ridge Conflagration, \$60,403. Bruce Daniel seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Resolution #6 – Accepting Revenue & Authorizing Expenditures for the Town Gulch Conflagration, \$35,566

Raymond Byrne, Jr. moved to accept Resolution #6 - Accepting Revenue & Authorizing Expenditures for the Town Gulch Conflagration, \$35,566. Lee Means seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

## No Unfinished Business

## No New Business

## Good of the Order

The upcoming Volunteer Appreciation Christmas Party will be held on December 18th.

The next meeting will be on Monday, December 16th, at 12:00 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 12:54 p.m.

Lee Means, Secretary / Treasurer