



McKenzie Fire & Rescue

Board Meeting

January 20, 2025

- 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 January meeting of the McKenzie Fire & Rescue Board of Directors to order at 12:02 p.m. on Monday, January 20, 2025, at the Leaburg Training Center, 42870 McKenzie Highway, Leaburg, Oregon.

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

Approval of Board Meeting Minutes: Bruce Daniel moved to accept the minutes, as presented, of the December 16, 2024, Board meeting. Lee Means seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

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

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

Also discussed:

Call Volume: Chief Bucich provided the Board with an overview of 2024 calls.

PIER Grant: Chief Bucich met with Lane County and will be working on an RFP, including specs, for the water tank project. He also received word that the water tank on Goodpasture Road has been approved for placement from the Bureau of Land Management (BLM). Deputy Chief Bart Thompson met with EWEB personnel regarding the potential placement on Leaburg Dam Road.

EWEB Fuels Reduction Grant: Chief Bucich reported that postcards are being sent and the RFP went live on January 13th on Oregon Buys. He has approached EWEB about additional funds to hire a liaison to coordinate assessments and subsequent contractor work.

EMT-Intermediate Class: Firefighter Rory Bradely, who was hired in September, started the EMT-I class. He will be in class on Wednesday nights and most Saturdays.

Digital Sign: The sign has been ordered. We are waiting for permit approval.

Library: New, energy-efficient, bulbs have been installed throughout the library.



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Open Position: Chief Bucich reported that volunteer Meghan Anderson tested for the open position and was offered the job. She will begin on Tuesday, January 21st. She will be onboarded and skills tested just as all incoming employees are.

DRLC Reserves: Some of the non-perishable meals donated by the State have expired or will be expiring soon. Chief Bucich is working on a plan to replace them with non-perishable meals that have a longer shelf life.

AFG Grant: We have applied for the AFG grant and are asking for funds for five (5) new Zoll monitors. Current models used are no longer supported. If they fail between now and the potential grant award, we may need to purchase replacement(s).

Combi-Tools: Chief Bucich and Deputy Chief Thompson are investigating the cost for Combi-tools. Station 1, Station 3, and Station 4, carry the Combi-tool extrication equipment but only Station 3 is battery powered. They are considering replacing the tools at Station 1 and Station 4.

Action Items

Appoint Budget Officer: George Burnette Dillon moved to appoint Fire Chief Darren Bucich as the 2025-2026 Budget Officer. Raymond Byrne, Jr. seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Approve Budget Schedule: Raymond Byrne, Jr. moved to approve the 2025-2026 Budget Schedule as presented. George Burnette Dillon seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Resolution #5 Revised – Accepting Revenue & Authorizing Expenditures for the Rail Ridge Conflagration, \$65,031 (increase of \$4,628)

Bruce Daniel moved to accept Resolution #5 Revised - Accepting Revenue & Authorizing Expenditures for the Rail Ridge Conflagration, \$65,031, moving the additional \$4,628 to Capital Outlay, Land & Building. Lee Means seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Chapter 1 Policy Review: Raymond Byrne, Jr. moved to approve proposed updates to Chapter 1 of the District policy book. George Burnette Dillon seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Chapter 2 Policy Review: Raymond Byrne, Jr. moved to approve proposed updates to Chapter 2 of the District policy book. Lee Means seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.



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Chapter 3 Policy Review: Raymond Byrne, Jr. moved to approve proposed updates to Chapter 3 of the District policy book. Bruce Daniel seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Chapter 4 Policy Review: Bruce Daniel moved to approve proposed updates to Chapter 4 of the District policy book. Lee Means seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Chapter 5 Policy Review: After discussion, Chapter 5 will need additional review. Chief Bucich and staff will work on discussed amendments to present at the February Board meeting.

Chapter 6 Policy Review: Bruce Daniel moved to approve proposed updates to Chapter 6 of the District policy book. Lee Means seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

No Unfinished Business

No New Business

Good of the Order

The next meeting will be on **Tuesday, February 18**, at 12:00 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 1:03 p.m.

Lee Means, Secretary / Treasurer