

Sheridan Fire District
Nov. 14, 2023

Attendance: Gary Giddings, Cory Chrisman, Ray Bottenberg, Pete Gutbrod, Tammy Heidt
Others: Chief Les Thomas, Marguerite Alexander, Division Chief Phill Riggs

President Tammy Heidt called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Meeting minutes: Gary made a motion to accept the minutes. Ray seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Financials:

- Final payment has been received from FEMA for Radio grant.
- No payment from Sheridan FCI. Chief needs to talk to Executive Staff at FCI. Tammy and Chief will make the arrangements to talk to Controller as well as Executive Staff (Per Tammy).
- \$200,000 in LGIP waiting to drop. Tomorrow is 11/15. Tax money all comes in through LGIP.
- In answer to questions, The district can do interfund transfers but not between funds. That would require a resolution. It's too early in the fiscal year for that.

Cory made a motion to approve the financials for October 2023. Ray seconded the motion. The motion carried.

No one online. No public comment. No audience comments.

Old Business:

- Ambulance remount: the 2022 ambulance is in service.
- Brush truck remount: We are working to get another quote. (Price of new remount more than anticipated.)
- We need to budget for a new chassis to be purchased in two years. It Will need to be a Type 3.
- We need another Civil Service member. Need committee to recertify the list. Not offering jobs until the first of the year. We lost McDowell to Albany on 10/23 – his hometown. Four of our FF/EMTs are in waiting for Polk 1. We have a plan in place. We will keep two ALS units and supplement it with EMTs. We will continue covering Buell with M97 as available. We are considering moving one admin out to Buell for a responding unit. Volunteers will round out the crews in Buell. At this time we have no list for the Civil Service Commission. We will consider a paradigm shift as surrounding agencies shift their crews to other areas.
- COLA for union: Earlier this year the union agreed to put off the cost of living raise until November. They wanted an 8% COLA but settled for 4% COLA increase.
- Chief's Report.
 - Our move-ups have decreased dramatically.
 - The 2018 Medic is in for repairs. We are waiting for the invoice.
 - Hose loads for fire personnel: Most of the time we have one person pulling hose. (Usually the 2.5 or 3 in.) We are switching to a split bed.

- Rope training was held last month. It will help us with accessibility and take into take into consideration confined spaces at Sheridan FCI. McMinnville has majority of equipment cache for the rope rescue team. We are looking to add some basic equipment in a future fiscal year. Pete asked if we can set our crews up with low angle stuff? Chief replied that we can for a cost of \$6K - \$10K. Chief did purchase gloves. Tammy may have lead on equipment. (\$130K).
- Two volunteers are enrolled in the fall fire academy.
- The service for Bill Warwick was on Dec. 9. He was an honorary.
- St. 98 insulation is molding. We need to do a little TLC at ST. 98 after first of year.
- OHA audit will be conducted here on Dec. 6. We are working with McMinnville as they are having an audit too. Will let the board know the results.
- Driveway Inspections: The County holds us accountable for driveway inspections. We don't have much for teeth.
- Chief doesn't know what the city is doing about the homeless situation.

For the good of the order:

1. FireMed/Life Flight membership for the Board: The District paid for FireMed/Life Flight last year. Will do it again this year. We need Cory's application.
2. Review of bookkeeper: Kathie is doing an excellent job.
3. We will be dropping ESO for our electronic charting software and going to Image Trend. ESO has been dropping numbers giving us inaccurate data. We have been paying \$10K - \$12K per year for ESO. It will be less for Image Trend but we will need time to implement CAD.)

Ray moved to adjourn. Gary seconded the motion. The motion carried at 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Marguerite Alexander