

Regular Board Meeting  
June 10, 2025

Present: Gary Giddings, Pete Gutbrod, Tammy Heidt, Ray Bottenberg

Absent: Cory Chrisman

Others: Chief Thomas, Marguerite Alexander, Jay Payne, Roy Hari, Nick Giannettino, Cierra Benjamin, and Kelly V.

**Approval of the meeting minutes:**

**Gary made a motion to approve the minutes from the 5/13, 5/20, 5/28 and 6/2 board meetings. Ray seconded the motion. The motion carried.** (One correction: the spelling of Cory's name in the June 2 meeting minutes.)

**Approval of the financials for May 2025. Gary made a motion to approve the financials. Pete seconded the motion. The motion carried.**

**Treasurer Gary Giddings confirmed that he reviewed the bank statements and reconciliations for the month of May 2025.**

Public Comment: There was none in person or online.

Chief's Report (See attached):

Chief Thomas had been working with Tony Miller of the State Fire Marshal's Office regarding the code violations at Pacific Fir. It has been a 2-year process (much longer according to Tammy) involving the owner of the business, the fire district, the city and the state. The business has been declared unsafe and has not done anything that is provable to remedy the problems. The City has chosen not to get involved and has referred it to the county. It's going to ramp up in the next few weeks. Tony Miller has assured us that we are covered by the State, and the Oregon Fire Marshal's office will take care of the situation. The fire district has done all that it can to encourage compliance. Neither one of those buildings is rated for occupancy. (Gary asked about seeing the violations.) In addition to dealing with code violations, the company faces DEQ, OSHA, internal complaints as well.

Audit compliance: Chief read the requirements from the auditors resulting from the 2022-2023 fiscal audit and reviewed the corrective action plan. Tammy signed the corrective plan which will be sent to the state.

Swearing in of Chief Roy Hari. The Board has approved the hiring of Roy Hari as the interim fire chief. The board reviewed the contract which will begin June 15. There was verbal agreement from the Board for the acceptance of the contract with Roy Hari. Board president Tammy Heidt swore in Roy Hari as interim fire chief.

There will be a party in honor of Chief Thomas on Saturday, June 14 at Loft and Lies in McMinnville from 6 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. The union and the volunteers are splitting the cost.

**Ray made a motion to adjourn. Gary seconded the motion. The motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7: 20 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted,

Marguerite Alexander