

Lowell Rural Fire Protection District
Meeting Minutes of the Board of Directors – February 10, 2021

Call to Order – At 1909 by Director J. Prenevost

Roll Call – Chief Dragt, M. Ballenger, J. Walker, J. Meyers, J. Prenevost

Additions to Agenda – A removal of agenda item No. 4 was requested by Chief Dragt.

Comments from the Floor – None

Approval of January Minutes – J. Walker made the motion to approve the minutes. J. Meyers seconded the motion. No discussion. Motion passed.

Correspondence – None

Unfinished Business –

Master Planning continues. The recommendation from Chief Wood is not to apply for the seismic grants previously considered after reviewing submission costs. A station remodel, or new station now being considered. The board discussed the needed repairs and upgrades including leaking roof, soft spot in floors, possible sprinkler system, heating upgrade and electrical. The Board directed the chief to fix what needs repaired currently, (roof repair) and the issue will be visited in 2022.

New Engine – The engine has been returned with the entire foam system replaced, a leaky pipe repaired, repaired heater and repaired wiring. It has been placed in service.

Treasurers Report – Financial statements are as expected. Tax revenue is above projected amounts currently. The PERS line item remains overspent. A recommendation will be made after the new FF hire has been finalized. The Personnel Services category will expect to remain under budget.

J. Walker made the motion to pay the bills. J. Meyer seconded. Motion passed.

New Business –
None

Chiefs Update –

Calls for January - 13 EMS, 0 Fire, 7 MVA, 3 Public Assists. Total of 24 calls.

Dispatch Assessment - A meeting with Eugene's Chief Skinner was held regarding dispatch assessments. The Fire Chiefs as a group voted to pay the same amount per call with no charge for mutual aid calls. An adjustment will be made for next year's assessment.

FF Hiring Process - The hiring process for a replacement FF/EMT is underway. We have 7 candidates including several from out of the area. The initial testing has been completed and the top 3 have been identified. A decision will be made on the 15th, with a start date tentatively on March 5, 2021. Until then Vol. Bill Priser and Vol. Morgan Stevenson are covering shifts.

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Board Comments – None

Next Meeting, Wednesday, March 10, 2021

Adjourned – 1925 hrs.

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Board President

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Board Vice President

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Board Secretary/Treasurer

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Board Director

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