

# Fire District 16

## Commissioners Work Session Minutes

Meeting Date- January 13, 2014

### Attendance

Commissioners- Mike Woelke, Roger Prater, Rick Baker  
Fire Chief- Bob Bauer, Treasurer- Glenna Jones, Secretary- Ken Thompson

Meeting Place- 6 Main Road Aeneas Valley

6:03 PM- Mike brought the meeting to order and discussed the agenda. A motion to approve the December 9<sup>th</sup> 2013 meeting minutes was made by Mike and seconded by Rick. The commissioners voted unanimously to approve the minutes.

Written comments from the Annual Audit Report were briefly discussed. Mike provided Ken a handout with several suggestions resulting from the audit to improve meeting minutes. Ken will incorporate many of the suggested changes into these and future minutes.

Glenna provided the treasurer's report-

\$66,315.28	Balance at beginning of December
\$10,707.42	Bills paid in December
\$ 727.88	Tax income in December
\$ 35.51	Timber Excise tax income
\$56,371.25	Balance at end of December
\$ 5,948.32	Bills submitted this meeting for payment approval.

Glenna provided details on these bills. After the bills were reviewed, Mike made a motion to approve funding to pay these bills and Roger seconded the motion. The commissioners voted unanimously to approve funding for these bills which will be submitted to the County for payment via the voucher dated 01/13/2014.

Bob provided the Fire Chief's report-

- The fire district responded to one EMT call since the last report.
- A 2001 Freightliner truck/tractor has been acquired by the fire district. This truck was acquired at no cost (other than the cost to drive it back to Aeneas Valley). The Freightliner will replace Tender 1612 once necessary modifications are made and equipment is transferred. With an automatic transmission and increased capacities, the Freightliner will be a substantial improvement over the older tender.
- Ladders have been purchased for two structural fire fighting vehicles.
- Bob provided information on the purchase of power steering components to be used to upgrade Brush Truck 1613. The addition of power steering will substantially improve the capabilities of this fire fighting vehicle. The power steering equipment installation will be scheduled this year.

- Bob discussed a need for improved residential numbering in Aeneas Valley that would allow faster response times. Bob will ask the volunteer fire fighters and EMT's for their ideas.

Old Business- Rick provided updated information about plans to continue the development of fire district property. Progress will continue as time and personnel allow.

New Business- Mike discussed proposed internal changes to the Fire District's budget and provided an informational handout. After discussion, the commissioners unanimously agreed to approve the changes.

Ken discussed the advantages of having more fire district vehicles in the valley that are equipped with overhead emergency lights. The overhead emergency lights are easily seen during both the day and night and would provide visible directions to emergency response locations. Additionally, vehicles equipped with overhead emergency lights will improve public and firefighter safety when traffic control is required. This suggestion will be revisited at a future meeting.

Glenna reported on a recent inspection of the fire district's inventory of federal equipment and vehicles by a DNR representative from Ellensburg. The DNR inspector was particularly impressed with the Brush Truck 1615 which the fire district built. DNR also informed Glenna they will be doing helicopter training and invited fire district personnel to participate. No action was taken at this time.

Firefighter training is scheduled for January 15<sup>th</sup> at 6 Main Road at 6:00 PM.

There were no public comments.

Our next meeting is scheduled for February 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM at 6 Main Road Aeneas Valley.

7:32 PM- A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Mike and seconded by Roger. The meeting was adjourned.

---

Chairperson

---

Commissioner

---

Commissioner