

LEBANON FIRE DISTRICT
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
JULY 12, 2011

Allen Forster, Board President
 K.C. Pyle, Secretary/Treasurer
 Sue Davis, Board Member
 Gary Hull, Board Member
 Martin Suing, First Vice President

Dan Woodson, Fire Chief
 Tim Frost, Assistant Chief
 Mark Wilson, Fire Marshal
 Dave Anderlik, DC Training
 Darlaine Smith, Admin.Sec.
 Jeannette Denos, Finance Dir.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order and the flag salute was led by Board President Forster at 1730 hours.

MINUTES: APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM JUNE 14TH, 2011

- Minutes were approved as read.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

- None

AGENDA ITEM #1 – SWEARING IN OF ELECTED BOARD MEMBERS

- Chief Woodson performed the swearing in of elected board members K.C. Pyle and Marty Suing.

AGENDA ITEM #2 – ELECTION OF BOARD OFFICERS

- Board President Allen Forster stated that it is time for election of new officers. The board needs to elect a President, a Secretary/Treasurer, and First Vice President.
- Member Forster called for nominations for President. **Member Hull nominated Al Forster as Board President. Member Forster asked for any further nominations. There were none. Member Forster closed nominations for President.**
- Member Forster called for nominations for First Vice President. **Member Hull nominated Marty Suing. Member Forster called for other nominations and there were none. Member Forster closed nominations for First Vice President.**
- Member Forster called for nominations for Secretary/Treasurer. **Member Davis nominated K.C. Pyle as Secretary Treasurer. Member Forster called for other nominations and there were none. Member Forster closed nominations for Secretary/Treasurer.**
- **Member Forster stated that the nominations for positions are filled as nominated.**

AGENDA ITEM #3 – PROMOTIONAL CEREMONY

- Chief Woodson performed the swearing in of Battalion Chiefs Ron Sipe and Tim Moore.

AGENDA ITEM #4 – APPOINTMENT TO CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION

- President Forster stated that Jeff King has expressed interest in serving on the Civil Service Commission. This is a board appointed position, and he called for a motion to appoint Jeff to that position. The term will begin July 2011 and will be a 4 year term.
- **Member Davis made a motion to appoint Jeff King to the Civil Service Commission. Member Suing 2nd. All in favor, motion approved.**
- Chief Woodson performed the swearing in of Jeff King as a Civil Service Commissioner.

AGENDA ITEM #5 – VOLUNTEER PRESENTATION

- Volunteer Training Captain Dave Butler informed the board that each year at the OVFA Conference, they hold an auction with the proceeds going to the Oregon Burn Center. This year, the volunteers purchased a 1000lb hand held wench. On behalf of the Volunteers, Dave as presenting this wench to the district.
- Dave Butler informed the board that at the conference, he was elected President of OVFA. He presented a flyer for an event that the OVFA is holding for fund raising. He also informed the board that Scott Wilkerson is now our Volunteer President.

AGENDA ITEM #6 – UPDATE ON MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT WITH CITY

- Chief Woodson informed the board that the attorney is still reviewing the agreement. To give some history, years ago, we had a joint agreement with the City to trade some services. At the time, our mechanic performed work on their vehicles, and they paid part of his salary. We did not have to pay for water/sewer, and in turn we did not charge them for EMS calls that were made to the jail. As well, with the fueling station, they are not charged an administrative fee, but receive the fuel at our cost. Since we moved to Benton County for our vehicle maintenance, the city has cancelled our agreement. They want to re-negotiate the agreement and we may pay for water/sewer.

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OTHER AGENDA ITEMS

- Chief stated we are going to have to eventually replace our ladder truck or get rid of it. It's a 1986. It has yet to pass any aerial certifications on the first try. The FireAct grants have moved up ladder trucks to being in the first category for consideration of approval. Chief stated he doesn't necessarily want to put in for the grant this year because we are responsible for 10% of the cost, which is a large amount. However, he also feels that FireAct Grant may go away, and they tend to fund more metro areas initially, more so than rural areas. That being said, we may have a better chance of receiving the grant if we put in this year. We would be responsible for about \$80,000.
- Member Davis asked about the OWIN Project, and if that was the same thing as the radio issue that the Chief had been talking about. Chief stated these are two different projects. The narrow banding requirements will be in effect in 2013, and we will have to comply with those. They are FCC regulated requirements. OWIN is a state network that has been sporadically funded.

ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION PER ORS 192.660(2)(d) TO CONDUCT DELIBERATIONS WITH PERSONS YOU HAVE DESIGNATED TO CARRY ON LABOR NEGOTIATIONS

- Adjourn to Executive Session at 6:09.

ADJOURN EXECUTIVE SESSION AND RECONVENE REGULAR SESSION

- Reconvene regular session at 6:53.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

- Member Hull stated that he'd like the Chief to come back to the board with further information about what our options for the ambulance service, whether we sub it out, give it back to the county, or what any other options may be.
- Chief Woodson stated that subbing it out is not an option because it would violate the union contract. We could give the ASA back to the county. Chief stated that there is an option to change the way we operate here and split out the fire and ambulance services. If we split out the fire and ambulance service, it would be a more viable option at this point, as we would be able keep more people, less layoffs.
- Member Davis stated that she feels this is the only option available to address the cost of wages. We are not able to increase our revenue, so we have to change what we're paying out in wages. Member Davis stated her goal as a board member is to provide the services in fire and ambulance that we have traditionally offered. Because we do not have the revenue, now we need to look at other options to see what we can offer to keep as many services as possible and lay off the least amount of people.

ADJOURN REGULAR SESSION

- Meeting adjourned at 7:00pm.

Allen Forster, President

Dan Woodson, Fire Chief