

# **Williams Rural Fire Protection District**

## **Regular Board Meeting Minutes**

**September 7, 2021**

Called to order 6:07pm

### **Roll Call**

#### **Board Members Present**

Position 1- Heather Glass

Position 2- Sue Nevotti

Position 3- Claudia Pratt

Position 4- Bill Ertel

Position 5- Wes Nevotti

#### **Williams Staff Present**

Chief- Rick Vetter

### **Public Presence**

Wilma Hyde

Chas Rogers

### **Announcements:**

Chas is studying Williams creek for habitat. He has been talking with residents about long term programs to improve the creek. He asked for someone to sign a form so he may have permission to look at the creek behind the old fire station. Rick and Chas agreed to look at the creek together, and Rick will answer questions needed for study.

Bill Ertel is requesting staff be available 30 minutes prior to meeting for agenda review.

### **Public Input**

None.

### **Approval to Accept Board Meeting Minutes**

A motion was made by Wes Nevotti and seconded by Bill Ertel. Everyone was in favor of approving the minutes.

## **Fire Chiefs Report**

### **Number of calls**

14 active calls

6 medicals

3 traffic accidents

2 Outdoor smoke

2 Fire assist to public.

### **Personnel/Recruitment**

2 applications in process for volunteers and 2 cadets

Bill would like to know how long it took to respond to the alarm at Cedar Flat. Chief said it took about 5 minutes to respond in a patrol car. Our department had 10 personnel on scene, with 40 people total. 2 sheriffs, and ambulance, and 2 helicopters were also on scene.

### **Training**

Four volunteers finished apparatus operator class for driver certification.

Claudia Pratt, Bill Ertel, and Heather Glass all attended the SDAO online board training.

### **Meetings/Events**

Dates have been picked to paint the mobile home. Sept 19<sup>th</sup> from 11am to approx. 5pm and Sept 20<sup>th</sup> from 10am to approx. 2pm.

To hire a contractor for painting the old Fire Station will be at a rate of \$36 an hour. We may do it in phases. Matt from Edge Construction has come and looked at the job. Heather to look for guidelines on construction projects.

Fire department has a security system for \$300.00. More may be needed so Caveman security came out and did a bid. Quote is under \$5K and about \$9K for the entire property. A security grant has been applied for, we are waiting to hear back before making a decision.

Vaccination clinic will be on Friday September 17<sup>th</sup> from 10am to 2pm. Heather to post on group sites and Bill to tell Pastor Rob to get the word out.

9/11 Austin Prince stair walk has been relocated to Allendale school and starts at 10am.

### **Chair Report**

Claudia Pratt and Heather Glass spoke with Jeri Allerman about complaints. Overall, it seemed to go well.

Speaking time- tabled to next meeting

### **New Business**

Open discussion of executive session. When to have one and when not too.

Ballot measure has been approved for the ballot. It was discussed we should hold a community meeting for people to be able to come and learn more about the levy. It was discussed the legalities of supporting the levy in regard to the board and staff.

Bill Ertel asked about a board policy for employment agreements.

### **Treasurer Report**

Bill will sit down with Jenny and ask about some of the spending on the report.

### **Announcement of Next Regular Board Meeting**

Monday October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at 6:00pm

### **Other News: outside of agenda**

SDIS sent a letter regarding former Chief Michael Kuntz has filed a workman's comp claim against Williams Rural Fire, Applegate fire, and Rural Metro. Spencer Rockwell was the legal council during the time of this. Chief will be speaking with the insurance along with Jenny assisting with info to help with the claim.

### **Motion to Adjourn**

A motion to adjourn was made by Wes Nevotti and seconded by Sue Nevotti. All were in favor to adjourn at 7:31pm

Respectfully Submitted:

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Claudia Pratt, Board Chairperson