

Sublimity Fire District Board of Directors Meeting Minutes Wednesday, May 13, 2009

Meeting called to order: by Ralph Fisher at 6:30 p.m.

Members present: Ralph Fisher, Rick Kauffman, Jeff Kropf

Staff present: Chief Brandon Hamilton, Amy Doran

Others present: Chuck Sherman, Michael Bochsler, Jim Riesterer, Jim Crowther, Mark Jensen, Tom Etzel

Additions/Deletions to Agenda: None

Citizen Comments: None

Firefighters Association Input: None

***Ralph Fisher swore in Tom Etzel for position #1. The board took a recess at 6:32 p.m. to convene the budget committee meeting. The meeting was back in session at 7:17 p.m. The board welcomed Tom Etzel.*

Reading of Minutes:

MOTION: Jeff Kropf moved to approve the minutes for April 22, 2009, as presented. Rick Kauffman seconded. Motion passed; a voice vote was unanimous.

Communications: None

Payment of Bills: The board reviewed bills and payments for the month of May. The district is doing quite well at staying below budgetary guidelines.

MOTION: Rick Kauffman moved to pay the bills for May as presented. Jeff Kropf seconded. Motion passed; a voice vote was unanimous.

Chief's Report:

Alarms: Chief Hamilton reviewed alarms for the board. They are slightly down from last year at this time.

Old Business:

Contract clarification: The chief clarified that the board's intent was for his new contract to have May 15, 2009, as the start date (versus July 1, 2009, the start of the new fiscal year). The board confirmed that May 15th was the intended start date.

Personnel policy: The board decided to table the discussion regarding the policy until next meeting.

New Business:

New Board Member: (This was accomplished at the beginning of the meeting.)

Good of the Order:

Chief Hamilton discussed the recent influx in the number of volunteers. Rick Kauffman asked if the department had a desired number of volunteers. The chief said that his goal is 30 because it's a good, round number that the district should also be able to

afford to support financially. There was discussion regarding the increase in recruiting and the chief's recruiting philosophy.

The 3rd annual Public Safety Fair will be held June 6th from 11-4.

Adjourn:

MOTION: Rick Kauffman moved to adjourn the meeting. Jeff Kropf seconded. Motion passed; unanimous. Meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by Amy Doran

Approved by Ralph Fisher