

OKANOGAN COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT #6
MINUTES OF THE MEETING
October 12th, 2021

PRESENT: Commissioner Brandenburg, Chief Acord, Commissioner Palm, Secretary Mark Crum, Commissioner Stokes was intermittent via cell phone, see attached list of attendees.

Room had been sanitized ahead of time and were at less than 50% occupancy.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM.

Additions to agenda:

No additions to agenda.

Minutes approval:

Commissioner Brandenburg makes a motion that we approve the minutes for the September 13th Meeting, Commissioner Palm seconded, all were in favor.

Financial Report:

Commissioner Brandenburg made a motion to approve the financial report from the County in the amount of \$4,014,065.35, \$over 3.5 million of that is for the station bond, Commissioner Palm seconded, and all were in favor.

Public Comment:

n/a

CORRESPONDENCE:

n/a

Old Business:

New District Station Building

Project Manager Cahill Construction has quit and moved back to New Jersey. Chief Acord is stepping in and taking over that process for the interim.

Block construction should be completed by Thursday the 14th of October. Concrete should be poured the same Thursday, and the bays will be poured at a later date. Blews Construction has informed us that they may be putting blankets on the concrete because of the temperatures.

Blews' goal is to have the roof on by Thanksgiving.

Blews has their bids in from Sub Contractors, 2 were in our favor the others were not. Chief Acord read through the bids and we're roughly \$50k over budget, including glass, doors, metal, drywall, plumbing, etc.

The District is still waiting the civil permit from the Town of Winthrop, not aware of what the hold-up is at the moment. Will have more bids submitted once civil permit is approved.

Cell Tower Agreement:

Commissioners look through final version of cell tower agreement, Chief Acord has worked with the District Attorney.

Commissioner Brandenburg makes a motion to approve the Cell Tower agreement with the Cell Tower Company, Commissioner Palm seconded, all were in favor.

Resolution 21-003 Declaration of Granted Easement for Cell Tower Company, Palm made motion to sign, Brandenburg seconded, all were in favor.

Update of AFG FEMA SCBA Grant:

\$244,000, including a match from the Fire District for \$17,000, for a total of \$261,000, for a total of 36 packs.

New Business:

Budget Hearing Timeframe

Normal meeting would be scheduled for the 8th of November, Chief Acord will present a draft budget.

November 17th at 7:00 for the Budget Hearing (November 3rd and November 10th Editions).

State Mobilization Certification:

The State of Washington has determined that if you are going to go out on a State Mobilization you (individual) must be fully COVID vaccinated.

Commissioner Palm makes a motion to accept the States contract, Commissioner Brandenburg seconded, Commissioner Stokes had a nay vote.

Commissioner Brandenburg makes a motion to allow Chief Acord to sign the declaration from the State for State Mobilization Contracts, Commissioner Palm seconded, and all were in favor.

Error in 2021 Levy Lid Lift Calculation from the County

Okanogan County made an error in calculation for the Levy Lid lift amounts, difference was approximately \$2,131.88. The District will have to pay back that amount to the County.

Surplus of Vehicles

With the last surplus, the Winthrop Rescue didn't receive a bid, but now there are interested parties. The Rescue will be re-listed as surplus. Chief Acord also presented an idea to list the 2006 Suburban as Surplus.

Resolution 21-004 for listing the Suburban as Surplus, Commissioner Brandenburg makes a motion to accept Res 21-004, Palm seconded, and all were in favor.

COVID Grants

Fire District is looking into applying for grants for extractors (turnout gear washers), gear dryers, SCBA testers, disinfectant sprayers, etc, looking at a grant in the realm of \$34,000. These grants are no cost to the Fire District.

Commissioner Brandenburg presented Resolution for 21-005, authorizing Chief Acord or Assistant Chief Stamps to sign approvals for the State COVID grant, Commissioner Palm seconded, and all were in favor.

Chiefs Report:

Review of accruals from Chief Acord by the Commissioners.
Review of call logs.

VOUCHER APPROVAL:

Commissioner Brandenburg made a motion to accept vouchers, Commissioner Palm seconded, all were in favor.

The ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 8:26

PM.

Commissioner Jerry Palm

ATTEST: _____
Mark Crum, Secretary