

**LEWIS COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO #14
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING**

MAY 10, 2007

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners was called to order by Commissioner Pollman, at 7:06 p.m. at the Main Station located at 9978 US Hwy 12, Randle WA.

PRESENT

Commissioner John Pollman, Chairman A. H. Rogers, Commissioner Dale Woody, Chief Jeff Jaques, Secretary Tonya Kelly, Ralph Johnson

ADDITIONS/DELETIONS

None

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Approval of vouchers

Motion: Commissioner Woody made a motion to approve the April 2007 expenditures as read and discussed, per payment vouchers 0705001 through 0705031 for a total of \$15,420.53. Chairman Rogers seconded the motion. Motion approved and carried.

Approval of minutes

Motion: Commissioner Woody made a motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting, April 12, 2007 as read. Chairman Rogers seconded the motion. Motion approved and carried.

Approval of payroll

Motion: Commissioner Woody made motion to approve the April 2007 payroll, in the amount of \$4,240.00. Chairman Rogers seconded the motion. Motion approved and carried.

Financial report: See Attached

Correspondence: See Attached

Received: See Attached

Discussed:

There was a discussion on the upcoming awards dinner on May 21st at the Salkum Fire Station. Chief Jaques was nominated for 2006 Firefighter of the Year and the department was nominated for 2006 Incident of the Year.

There was also a discussion on the ad that was prepared for the Shopper and the Journal. There were several ideas and suggestions for future ads. It was determined that it would be best to run the ad once a month in each publication.

CHIEF'S REPORT

The department is preparing for the Memorial Day swap meet and pancake breakfast at the end of the month. Chief Jaques encouraged everyone to come down and help.

Jeff also mentioned that the department is interested in offer CPR training to one grade level of students each year. So when a student enters that specific grade they will receive CPR training.

Chief Jaques will be looking to fill the officer's position that is now vacant due to the passing of long time volunteer, Lynn Scott. He will be asking for letters of interest from the volunteers and then Jeff and the other officer will proceed from there.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Operating guidelines

Work on the guidelines is ongoing.

NEW BUSINESS

Foam Unit

Chief Jaques informed that board that we had received the signed contract for the 2007 Title III Grant in the amount of \$7,833.00. Jeff has received bids to purchase the air foam unit and after reviewing the bids it appears that he may be able to purchase a 60 gallon foam unit and an additional 30 gallon unit to mount on another vehicle for approximately the grant amount. Jeff requested from the board that he be given the authorization to purchase both units and have the department pay for the difference. From the current quotes he does not believe the cost to the district would be much, if any.

Motion: Commissioner Pollman made a motion the district approve the purchase both foam units. Commissioner Woody seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion approved and carried.

COMMISSIONER'S COMMENT

Commissioner Woody presented a list (see attached) of ideas that he compiled to bring in public interest to the department. Several ideas were discussed including preparing and distributing a semiannual pamphlet about the department as well as ads in the local papers, keeping our bill board current and updating our website.

Commissioner Woody also questioned whether our volunteers have current identification. With the new law prohibiting cell phone use while driving except for emergency workers and law enforcement. He suggested that we make sure we are current on that.

Chairman Rogers requested that we look into the matter of Fire Protection Service payments from the PUD. He believes they should be paying for Fire Protection for their substations. He suggested making some calls to the WA Fire Commissioners Association and checking with them on the law.

Commissioner Woody was also interested in setting up a program where our volunteers could go in on a yearly basis for a physical exam at the expense of the department to ensure that everyone is in acceptable physical condition. Jeff had been working with Morton Hospital on such a program. The volunteer would fill out a yearly survey about any changes to their health and if the doctor felt that they would be a good candidate for a further examination they would be scheduled for one. The state currently pays \$50.00 for an examination.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

ADJOURNED

With no further business, Chairman Rogers adjourned the meeting at 8:40 p.m.

A.H. Rogers, Chairman

Tonya Kelly, District Secretary

John Pollman, Commissioner

Approval Date

Dale Woody, Commissioner