Black Butte Ranch R.F.P.D.

Board Of Directors Meeting

April 27, 2017

Rodger Gabrielson called the meeting to order at 09:11 a.m.

Board of Directors:

- ✓ Rodger Gabrielson
- Rich Elliott
- ✓ Mac Hay
- ✓ Don Bowler
- ✓ Dave Gibson

Administration:

- Chief Dan Tucker
- ✓ Deputy Chief Dave Phillips
- ✓ Jamie Vohs

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion: Don Bowler moved to approve the March 23, 2017 meeting minutes as presented, seconded by Mac Hay, unanimously passed.

REPORTS

Treasurer Report

Motion: Dave Gibson moved to accept the March 2017 financial reports as presented, seconded by Mac Hay, unanimously passed.

Chief's Report – Deputy Chief Dave Phillips
Fire and Ambulance Report – Deputy Chief Dave Phillips

March 2017 the department responded to 5 fire calls, 1 engine assist and 13 medicals with 2 transports.

BBR RFPD was called in for a large structure fire off Varco Road in March. The fire started in the attic and moved to the library room. The cause of the fire is undetermined. A lot of the structure was damaged, however it was not deemed a total loss. This structure fire was a great testament to Central Oregon cooperation as nine agencies responded to it. D/C Phillips will be doing a presentation for all the Operations Chiefs to give them considerations for their next big incident.

There was discussion as to why neighboring homeowners might be upset when water was taken from their personal ponds, etc. What it came down to was, not that the water was being taken, but what it cost to replace the used water.

Deputy Chief Phillips discussed:
Rodger inquired about two things: planning for the solar eclipse and the ice dam damage the station experienced this past winter. With regard to the ice dams, the mitigation and repair work has been completed by Central Oregon Disaster Restoration. The only remaining item is installing new carpet in the entire upstairs, which BBR RFPD took on that responsibility. The carpet installer was out yesterday and ran into a problem with trying to get the old carpet up because it was glued so well. The installer came up with a solution by using double sided sticky tape and laying the new carpet over the old carpet. With raising the level of the floor, three doors had to be trimmed down a bit. Chief Tucker is planning on replacing all of the upstairs doors in the 2017/2018 budget so trimming the old doors was a good solution until the new doors are installed.

Because of the ice dam repairs, Chief Tucker made the decision to have the kitchen cabinets refaced and a new kitchen countertop installed. A new range is also being planned for in the 2017/2018 budget.

There was an incident with one of the bay doors being damaged. The incident occurred when a radio mic was accidentally keyed causing the automatic bay door to be activated. The bay door closed onto the ambulance causing minor damage to the ambulance. The two lower panels of the bay door will need to be replaced.

With regard to the solar eclipse, a lot of planning is being done by agencies in Central Oregon. The forest service put on a big simulation in Prineville which was good because a lot of scenarios were thought through. The solar eclipse will be on Monday, August 21st however it is believed that Central Oregon will see the effects of it Sunday through Tuesday, with highway 20 and highway 97 being jammed with vehicles.

One of the reasons that Oregon is so invited for people to see the solar eclipse is because it is believed that 70% of the United States is going to be clouded when this event happens. It is believed that a group of 30,000 people are coming to Big Summit Prairie and another 2 or 3, 10,000 people events will be taking place in Madras. The Madras airport is renting out space to viewers.

President's Report
Rodger has been researching the meaning of ISO ratings and what impact the rating system has on homeowners. Sisters is moving down to an ISO rating of 3, Cloverdale is a 3, Redmond is a 4, and Black Butte Ranch is a 4. Rodger wanted to know if there should be effort into getting BBR's down to a 3.

Rodger did inquire with multiple people/companies and this is what he discovered:

- ✓ The States Insurance Commissioner basically advised for Rodger to call his insurance agent to see how ISO ratings effect his insurance premium.
- ✓ 50% of the rating relates to equipment, training and staffing, 40% relates to the water supply system and 10% relates to other.
- ✓ Usually ISO class 1-7 falls into the same category. Anything under 6 is considered good.
- ✓ Even though BBR is rated at a 4, most insurance carries view BBR as an 8 or 9.
- ✓ The best thing for the homeowners in BBR is the number of hydrants that are located throughout BBR.
- ✓ BBR has a Class I Water System so full credit is received for this.

- ✓ The number of staffing is what really impacts our ISO rating.
- ✓ Sisters-Camp Sherman Fire District worked with the Forest Service and basically made their boundary the same as the school district boundary, allowing for 140 square miles to be dropped out of the district. A lot of what was dropped was forest service land.
- ✓ Chief Tucker and D/C Phillips are currently in the pre-preparation phase with getting re-evaluated with ISO.

OLD BUSINESS

Carpet, Kitchen - Update

Review this discussion item under the Chief's Report.

NEW BUSINESS

ISO Rating – Discussion

This next ISO re-rate will be important. It will be a lot about finding the right situation with regard to staffing and apparatus. Sisters-Camp Sherman Fire just bought a used engine that was designed for volunteers. It has been a great purchase for them. With that said, this is something Chief would like to look at especially when evaluating if a ladder truck is actually needed.

2017/2018 Budget - Discussion

The big 2017/2018 budget item is capital which is budgeted at $300,000. A good portion of the $300,000 is designated to purchasing new radios in the event that the AFG Grant is not awarded. D/C Phillips thinks the department will know by the end of May/June if the AFG grant has been awarded. This is the typical timeframe of when big monies are awarded.

Other budget items to point out:

- One of the line staff may be out for five months and a temporary position will be needed.
- Three temporary staff will be hired July 1-September 4 to be a 3rd position on each shift.
    - The three temporary staff will be made up of two resident volunteers from Sisters-Camp Sherman Fire and one who is affiliated with Redmond Fire.
- IPad data is going to increase due to more IPads being used.
- The budget base rate is $1.4677 and the budget local option rate is $1.56 (even though it is approved at $1.76).

GOOD OF THE ORDER

Trees

Dave Gibson reported that Ed Keith should have the 1st private lot FEMA in hand.

Travel

D/C Phillips will gone Memorial Day to the last week in June. He has an opportunity to visit the UK. This trip will consist of work and vacation.

NEXT MEETING DATE
Next Board Meeting May 25th, 2017 @ 9:00 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT
Board Meeting Adjourned 10:25 a.m.

OFFICIAL MEETING MINUTES

Approved by Don Bowler

Dave Gibson Date: May 25, 2017