# Black Butte Ranch R.F.P.D.

# Board Of Directors Meeting

**February 25, 2021**

*Due to the COVID-19 pandemic this meeting was done by teleconference. Information for this meeting was as follow: https://www.gotomeet.me/BBRFire/board-meeting-2252021 phone: United States: +1 (872) 240-3212, access code: 813-416-413*

*Rodger Gabrielson called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.*

**Board of Directors:**

- ✓ Don Bowler
- ✓ Rodger Gabrielson
- Dave Gibson
- ✓ Tom Sawyer
- ✓ Larry Stuker

**Administration:**

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

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

**Motion:** Tom Sawyer moved to accept the January 28th, 2021 meeting minutes, seconded by Don Bowler, unanimously passed.

## REPORTS

**Treasurer Report**

Inquiry on a check issued to Joel Stutzman on 1/26/2021, was for reimbursement for a prime rib.

**Motion:** Don Bowler moved to accept the January 2021 financial reports as presented, seconded by Tom Sawyer, unanimously passed.

**Chief's Report**

**Fire and Ambulance Report – Chief Tucker**

January 2021 the department responded to the following:

- 31 total calls
- 5 fire
- 18 medical
- 8 transports
- 0 air transport
- 4 move-ups
- 4 public assist
- 21 mutual aids
- Year to date calls 31 (11 calls more than YTD 2020)

Tom inquired about the mutual aid calls for January. There seemed to be multiple traffic accidents off the Ranch.

**Chief Tucker discussed:**
**COVID Update**
All staff who wanted to receive the COVID vaccine have gotten both doses of the vaccine.

**CARES Act Funds**
All CARES Act funds for 2020 have been used up. It is yet to be determined if CARES Act Funds for 2021 will be available.

**President's Report**
Rodger reported the Wildfire Improvements document has been given to BBR, and the Natural Resources Committee is meeting every two weeks with representation from ARC. The group is digging into the rules and protocols for lot inspections, mainly how they handle violations. There seems to be mutual consensus on the points of evacuation routes and infrastructure.

The Natural Resources Committee has authorized the trees along Bishops Cap (between Hawks Beard and Ponderosa) to be marked for removal. This will be somewhat of a test case for the committee. The plan is to mark and cut down right away using Ranch resources or mark and then solicit bids.

The discussion continues about tree spacing and will be brought up at the BBR BOD meeting on April 24, 2021.

Larry expressed concern that one of the emails that came from the Natural Resources Committee stated the BBR RFPD BOD signed off on the Wildfire Improvement document. This is not accurate information as the BBR RFPD BOD did not formally vote on the document. Larry had another concern in that the Natural Resources Committee has an action point: they adopt the Greater Sisters Project Wildfire, which states crowns have 18 feet spacing. Rodger asked that Larry send him the emails that say the above information. This needs to be clarified with Cathy Ellis immediately.

**OLD BUSINESS**
**GM 13 Status – Continued Discussion**
D/C Phillips and F/F Ahrendt went through GM13 the other day, identifying improvements that need to be done once the current renters move out. Some of the improvements include flooring in the kitchen, halls, and bedrooms, paint, and window coverings. Chief Tucker feels there are two options for the home moving forward:

- Offer the house to the departments newest F/F Paramedic, who currently has a home in Clackamas but is looking to have a residence in Central Oregon.
- Use it as a quarantine house.

Chief Tucker feels it will be a confident and amicable release of the property when it is time for the current residents to move out.

Long-term Chief Tucker feels the home may need some additional improvements such as:

- Windows
- Window moldings
- Floor molding

The furnace seems to be in good shape, and the bathrooms are in good order.

Chief Tucker is budgeting power, pest control, etc., if someone is not residing in it.

## NEW BUSINESS

**Union Negotiations**

The process has started for union negotiations. Chief Tucker started communicating with Teamsters in January to schedule negotiations in February; however, at this point, he has not heard from them at this point.

Chief does not anticipate many changes or requests from the union. Most of the changes will be on the department's side with adhering to rules, laws, etc.

**SCBA Air Compressor Bids – Approval/Award**

A proposal, along with three bids, to replace the SCBA compressor was presented to the board. The board voted on Bid #3 from Cascade Fire & Equipment (brand: Arctic, model: Arctic Breathing Air Compressor – 10hp, 14cfm).

**Motion:** Larry Stuker moved to award Cascade Fire & Equipment the bid for an Arctic Breathing Air Compressor (product: C-O410A6E3SHPA3C) in the amount of $41,749.00 plus estimated shipping of $1600.00, seconded by Don Bowler, unanimously passed.

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**Awards Banquet - update**

## NEXT MEETING DATE(S)

Board Meeting March 25, 2021 – 9:00 a.m.

## ADJOURNMENT

*Board meeting adjourned at 9:35 a.m.*

**OFFICIAL MEETING MINUTES**

Approved by Larry Stuker

Don Bowler Date: March 25, 2021