



Umatilla Rural Fire Protection District

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Umatilla Fire District Meeting

The January 4, 2023 meeting called to order by Board Chair Kyle Sipe.

Present:

Robert Holden, Kyle Sipe, Darla Huxel, Steven Williams and Amber Bieren

Absent:

Approval of Minutes: Motion by Darla to approve, seconded by Robert.

Minutes approved unanimously.

Audience Participation: None

Correspondence:

Statements of Bills list, checks and check register were reviewed by the board members and signed. No additional questions asked regarding expenditure reports. Reviewed and signed.

Information Items:

Chief's Report: See attached- Items discussed were:

Calls for 2022 were up 23 from 2021, total of 782 for 2022

St. 11 progress

OSFM and Safer Grants Update

Volunteer Report: N/A

Old Business:

1. Audit Update- 30-day extension due to auditor being out sick. Sheron stated everything looks good, just waiting on confirmation papers and will finish in January.

New Business:

1. Hydrant Plan- 4 quadrants, 4-year rotation. Chief Dormaier will discuss at senior staff meeting and get a plan with the senior staff. Chief will also discuss with David Stockdale on any additional items that may need to be ordered.



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Items not on Agenda Open to Public, Board and Staff Participation:

Kyle asked for a review of the contract to see if the board needs to complete a 6 month review for Chief Dormaier.

Darla mentioned she keeps getting questions regarding the Chief's command vehicle being driven back and forth to Washington. She also has concerns regarding Torte claims in Washington if there were to be an accident. She would like a board member discussion.

Kyle does not have a problem with it, Robert has only heard one comment, he does not have a problem either. He did inquire as to where Chief Dormaier was with moving, he stated he has looked at 2 properties however with the market change it is challenging.

Steven asked what the benefit was of Chief having the vehicle with him, Chief states it allows him to have access to monitor situations as they come up. If a call comes in that he may be needed he goes to the command vehicle and monitors. The seniors know they can call him at any time to respond back. It is also part of his contract so that would need to be looked at if a change was to be made.

Robert and Steven both acknowledge the importance of having the necessary equipment.

Motion to go into executive session by Darla, seconded by Amber

Entered Executive Session @ 7:30 pm

Returned to Regular Session motion by Darla, second by Amber approved. Entered regular session at 7:58 pm

AGENDA SUGGESTIONS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS:

Workshop in February to discuss review if the contract indicates 6-month plan. Jeannie will check and let the board know.

Meeting adjourned at 8:02 pm

Kyle Sipe, Chairman

Jeannie Bowman, Clerk