

## **Mountain Fire Protection District**

### **Trustee Meeting**

**September 20, 2022**

**In Attendance:** Trustees Harold Kamikawaji, Neil Nelson, Dave Stewart, and Clem Remillard. Tony Wright absent. Administrator/Financial Officer Sarah Zubkowski. Fire Chief Russ McMann, Deputy Fire Chief Dave LeNeveu, Wayne Morgan and Darcy Morgan.

Meeting called to order @ 7:00 pm by Neil Nelson. Second by Harold Kamikawaji. MSC.

### **Correspondence:**

- Russ McMann received noise complaints regarding chainsaws.
- Open house was a success. Approximately 300 people attended. Responses were positive. Lantzville fire department came and enjoyed themselves. Lantzville and the EWFD have a great relationship and are planning to try to do some training together.
- Pope & Sons mailed a reminder regarding the annual maintenance of the heat pump.
- Dave LeNeveu contacted the Department of Highways regarding a crash and having the highway repaired.
- Clem Remillard received correspondence from another Improvement District regarding pension and benefits.
- Clem Remillard received an email from an old teacher in the District who is writing a book. He has items that he would like to pass along to the fire department.
- Clem Remillard was asked about firefighter applications. The fire department is not taking a new applicants at this time.

**Financial Report:** presented by Sarah Zubkowski.

- List of bills noted and discussed.

**Fire Department Report:** presented by Dave LeNeveu.

- 4 calls in August – wildfire, structure fire, medical assist and a burning complaint.
- Structure fire at old hall was determined to be electrical.

### **Old Business:**

- Russ McMann has received no new information from the City on the heavy duty washer/dryer that may be available.
- Russ McMann has talked to the engineer regarding the new truck today however there is no news on the truck. Expecting to finalize the design and price on truck soon.
- Clem Remillard still trying to contact City regarding the dry hydrant ay Witchcraft Lake.
- Russ McMann stated that they are currently planning on using bay 3 to store contaminated gear until washed. After washing the gear it can then go back down in the room. We still want to get a new system. Clem Remillard motions to accept West Bay Mechanical quote for \$4,800 to put in venting system in the gear room. Neil Nelson second. MSC.
- Dave LeNeveu stated that if both of the new gym AC units are running they cause the breaker to go off. Mitch Nelson to look into that.

- Dave LeNeveu applied for a medal for bravery for the actions of Mark McCallum for pulling a woman out of a burning car. This could take 3 years.
- Drone is approved, however the drone can no longer be obtained. The new drones available are significantly more money (approximately \$12,000). Darcy Morgan will try to obtain a used model if possible. The model required has a camera and a thermal imaging camera.
- Budget briefly discussed.

**New Business:**

- Charles Pinker wanted to let everyone know that he is running in the election for Area C and wanted to let everyone know to vote October 15, 2022.
- Media spokesperson has not been discussed amongst the officers. Russ McMann stated that he would prefer that the person be in attendance at the call that speaks to the media. They are limiting it to the officer group.

**Questions:** None.

**Motions Adopted by E-Mail:**

- Motion to pay Sarah Zubkowski made by Neil Nelson Sept 6, 2022. Second by Harold Kamikawaji Sept 6, 2022. MSC.
- Motion to pay bills and approve minutes made by Neil Nelson Sept 7, 2022. Second by Dave Stewart Sept 7, 2022. MSC.
- Motion to pay bills made by Tony Wright Sept 15, 2022. Second by Harold Kamikawaji Sept 15, 2022. MSC.
- Motion to pay Sarah Zubkowski made by Tony Wright Sept 16, 2022. Second by Harold Kamikawaji Sept 16, 2022. MSC.
- Motion to pay bills made by Harold Kamikawaji Sept 20, 2022. Second by Neil Nelson Sept 20, 2022. MSC.

Motion to adjourn meeting @ 7:39 pm made by Neil Nelson. Second by Harold Kamikawaji. MSC.

Next meeting is on October 20, 2022 @ 7 pm.