

# LFA Board Minutes

## Lane Fire Authority & Santa Clara Fire

Minutes for September 17<sup>th</sup>, 2020 Board Meeting  
3939 River Road, Eugene, OR

The regular board meeting for Lane Fire Authority was called to order at 6:00 pm by board vice president Ryan Walker. Russ Sirotek, board president, called the regular board meeting for Santa Clara to order at 6:00 pm

### Board Members Present:

Pete Holmes    Bill Clendenen    Ryan Walker    John Baxter    Greg Deedon

Rod Graves    Susan Smith    Don Phillips    Russ Sirotek    Frank Taubenkrau

### Minutes, Treasurer's Report and Bills:

<b>Topic</b>	<b>August 2020 Board Minutes</b>
<b>Discussion</b>	
<b>Action taken</b>	Rod Graves made a motion to approve August 2020 board minutes, seconded by Pete Holmes. All ayes.

### Treasurers Report:

A question was asked about the Rescue Equipment Capital line item on the P & L being at 188%. Chief Borland explained that it is for Covid expenses. LFA has until Dec 21<sup>st</sup> to submit for reimbursement.

Overtime will increase due to the wind/fire event.

### Correspondence:

None

### Promotions:

None

### Chiefs Report:

**Holiday Farm Fire** – Chief Borland shared information about the fire and the devastation created. At this time, the exact cause of the fire is undetermined, however one of Bonneville's main transmission lines was found on the ground and the crew was unable to engage the fire right away especially once the wind came up. Fire conditions were the worst Chief Borland has seen in his career. No firefighters

were hurt and no apparatus were damaged while fighting fire.

Questions were raised about how to best help victims of the fire. Chief Borland said that it would be best to wait until it can be determined exactly what is needed - the relief effort needs to be coordinated. Information on what is needed will be forwarded to board members and can be discussed at the next board meeting.

Upper McKenzie lost their fire station and an engine company and several firefighters lost their homes.

Some agencies may send resources up to the area.

Chief Borland & AC Wood also talked about several local fires. About 300 feet of hose was stolen from the Kirk Road fire.

**GEMT Reimbursement** – LFA did receive a reimbursement for approximately \$60,000-\$65,000 and is caught up at this time. The current GEMT reimbursement packet is being reviewed.

**IAFF** – Bill Potterf reported that crews remain busy.

One of the medic units was involved in an accident-no one was injured. The medic unit will need to have minor repairs.

Local 851 is working on cash donations for those who affected by the fire.

Volunteers have been vitally important through this crisis.

### **Volunteer Association:**

Stan is working very hard on the next issue of Flashpoint – among other articles it will cover the November option levy and the Holiday Farm Fire.

### **Miscellaneous:**

**Grant** – LFA has received a FEMA Grant for \$565, 129 for an engine. AC wood will be asking for input on what folks would like to see on the engine.

**Gate System** – AC wood would like to apply grant monies toward an electric security gate at station 101. The cost would be approximately \$30,000 – if the expenditure can be tied in with Covid, LFA could receive grant money for the cost of the gate, if not LFA will need to pay for the gate. Board members agree that a security gate is a good idea.

### **Old Business:**

<b>Topic</b>	<b>Prairie Road Home</b>
<b>Discussion</b>	The title company (Cascade Escrow) requires a motion from the LFA board approving the sale of the home, and authorizing Chief Borland to sign documents for the sale of the home.
<b>Action taken</b>	Pete Holmes made a motion approving the sale of the home at 90348 Prairie Rd., authorizing Chief Dale Borland to sign as CFO of Lane Fire Authority and authorizing him to sign documents for the sale of 90348 Prairie Rd. Seconded by John Baxter. All ayes. (3)

There being no further business, the regular business meeting of Lane Fire Authority was adjourned by LFA vice president Ryan Walker at 7:28 pm and SCF board president Russ Sirotek at 7:28 pm.

**NEXT REGULAR BOARD MEETING: October 15<sup>th</sup> 2020**

**LOCATION: 88050 Territorial Hwy., Veneta, OR**