

# Lane Fire Authority

## Minutes for April 20th, 2017 Regular Board Meeting 88050 Territorial Hwy., Veneta

### Members Present:

Greg Deedon     Bill Clendenen     Ryan Walker     John Baxter     Pete Holmes

The regular board meeting for Lane Fire Authority was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Board President Pete Holmes.

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

Minutes from the March 16th Board Meeting were approved.

Treasurer's Report –No questions or comments.

Correspondence:    Several thank you notes were read by Chief Ney.

### Chief's Report:

The 2017-18 budget is in the final stages and should be ready for publication the 1<sup>st</sup> week of May.

Budget Committee Members are being contacted and asked if they would like to continue to serve on the 2017-18 Budget Committee.

The remodel at station 113 (Franklin) began Monday. There are multiple problems with the "hooch" which has prompted the building of two bedrooms in the back bay where the tender has been kept. Each bedroom will have a window and is going to be decent sized. Adding bedrooms is the best solution at this time. Chief Ney feels we are about 5 years out on a new station. The possibility of a future station and location will be discussed later in the year.

The Department of Forestry is constructing a couple of bedrooms in the old training room (which is no longer being used) at the Alderwood Station to house two of their summer personnel. This is a cooperative project; ODF is subsidizing and we are supervising the project. Having a presence at the station will be positive step.

The water tank at the Lorane Station is back in service after repairs. The brass valves that were vandalized have been replaced with less attractive parts. This tank holds 6,000-6,500 gallons - enough to fill two tenders. A smaller plastic water tank that was given to LFA has been positioned at Fox Hollow Station.

Chiefs Ney & Wood will be doing a presentation at Santa Clara's board of directors meeting next month.

Chief Ney is continuing conversations with JCPD regarding going into the dispatch business. Other departments are also interested, among them South Lane and Coburg Fire. We could have much more input regarding what our needs are and having those needs addressed.

**Public Comment:** None

**Volunteer Association Input:** None

**Best Practices:**

Topic	Policy P-6.4 Educational Benefit Career Personnel( Revised Draft)
Discussion	Board members previously received a revised draft of policy P-6.4 to review. The primary revision states that 'any employee who applies for and receives reimbursement for educational expenses but chooses to resign from the district within two years of such reimbursement shall be obligated to repay the district that reimbursement on a pro-rated basis'.
Action taken	Motion made by Ryan Walker and seconded by John Baxter to adopt Policy P-6.4. All ayes.

**Policy P-6.5 Educational Benefit-Volunteer Personnel (Draft)** - Board members previously received a copy of this policy draft for their review. After some discussion it was determined that several changes should be made i.e., time served along with merging components of this draft along with the program we use for reimbursement of EMT Intermediate courses. It was agreed that the resident program should remain separate. In order to keep policies more concise, Policy draft P 6.5 will be merged with the policy regarding paying for EMT course. Chief Ney will have another draft ready for the May board meeting.

Board Chair Pete Holmes closed the regular board meeting of Lane Fire Authority and went into Executive Session pursuant to ORS 192.660 (2)(i) Performance Evaluation

The Regular Board Meeting resumed.

	Renew Chief Ney's Present Contract for One Year
	Motion made by John Baxter to renew Chief Ney's present contract for a period of one year, seconded by Ryan Walker. All ayes. (As reported by Chief Ney)

**NEXT MEETING:** Thursday, May 18<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.

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