

**ALBION LITTLE RIVER FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES**

Wednesday, July 22, 2009, 7:30 pm, Station 810, 33900 West Street, Albion, CA

Call to order and determination of a quorum: Called to order at 7:34pm by Rich Riley with Directors Alan Taeger, Ed Petrykowski and Terry Kemp present along with Derek Wilson, Ted Williams, David Ayster, Brad Montgomery and Harvey Chess.

Public communication to the board: None

Previous meeting minutes: The minutes were presented for the June 24, 2009 regular business meeting, the June 28, 2009 special meeting, and the July 7, 2009 special meeting, these were approved by unanimous vote of the members of the Board.

Fire chief's report:

Incident reports: 2 Fires, 3 medical, 1 boat rescue, 4 accidents. Mutual aid with Ukiah on a strike team went well.

Fund raising, gifts, and service fees: BBQ was not as well attended as previous years. Financial totals are not in yet.

Fire department report: 8162 went to Ukiah on a strike team. Papers were filled out and our reimbursement will be in the form of an IOU. Department is working with CAL-FIRE on trainings. Anderson Valley and Elk are going to cut back on BLS transportation due to the fact that they do not receive reimbursement.

Fire department operational needs: New generation fire shields will be required. No financial breaks will be given. New pagers will be required also.

Vehicle maintenance report:

David Ayster spoke with Gary from Fort Bragg diesel (as did Rich) regarding continuing issues with 8162, which recently had repairs performed in Healdsburg. The original DOT inspection performed by Fort Bragg Diesel on receipt of engine from Alabama listed steering problems. Opperman's did not address steering issues. Gary of Fort Bragg Diesel re-inspected 8162 steering issue after Opperman repairs and gave an estimate of \$9,121.41 to properly repair steering. Gary phoned Alan to report concerns and Alan told him to take pictures of the defects. Fort Bragg Diesel made a temporary repair and reported that the vehicle is safe to drive for now and that it should pass the DOT inspection. Rich reviewed warranty information on 8162 with the board.

8130 inspected, repair estimate received - \$1,589.00 for parts and labor.

8191 sluggish, service call scheduled for 7/28/09 with Gary.

8182 back in service and is responding to calls.

Chief Derek introduced Brad Montgomery, a recent FD recruit and a licensed truck mechanic. Derek inquired whether Brad could be authorized to perform work on district vehicles. Alan explained that due to insurance concerns we need to have a contracted, licensed shop perform repair work to vehicles. Derek reported that monthly vehicle safety checks continue to be performed by the Fire Department.

Communications to the board:

Letter received from Harvey Chess expressing desire to be on the Board.

Letter received from Max Rexrode Attorney at Law-requesting e-mail addresses of all fire district employees. County council was notified and they sent a letter to him stating that since we do not have employees his request is declined.

Letter received from county elections office reminding board members to file for election in Ukiah.

Quarterly investment report received from county auditor's office. Our funds are safe, they are just not earning as much interest as they used to. They only earned \$5,483 last year instead of the expected \$10,000.00 that is reflected in our budgets for both last year and this year.

Financial Report: 2009-2010 budget in place. Report attached.

Items for Consideration and Possible Action:

Alan made a motion to appoint Harvey Chess as a new Board member to fill the vacancy left by the resignation of Dan Sitts. The Board approved the motion by unanimous vote.

Rich made a motion to appoint Terry Kemp secretary to fill the vacancy left by the resignation of Dan Sitts and this was also approved by unanimous vote of the board.

Committee Reports:

Station 811 committee: Ed reported that the terms of our permission to build at the 811 site required the regular review of the site by a botanist. An Albion resident who is a botanist has volunteered to perform the required reviews. The rewriting of the deed to reflect agreed property development restrictions is in process.

Vehicle committee: See Chief's report.

Grant committee: No word yet from FEMA regarding our recent grant application.

Directors' discussion:

Derek asked if the Department can do another fundraiser at the picnic site. Sally Welty wants to use the picnic site as well for a party. Our property lease agreement with the county was reviewed. Terry will contact Sally with insurance requirements and this will be an agenda item for next Board meeting.

Discussion regarding #811 and when to have a community meeting.

Alan reported that he found a title report from 1983 in district archives that shows that the district appears to own ½ acre on the corner of Rd 19 and Little River Airport Rd. He will investigate further and report back.

Next meeting schedule: Wednesday, August 26, 2009, 7:30 pm Station 810.

Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 9:20pm.