

Pend Oreille County Fire Protection District No. 2
Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the
Board of Commissioners on October 22, 2007

Meeting called to order by Chairman Rick Stone at 10:00 at the Administrative Office. Present were: Commissioners Durand, Norton and Stone, Chief Pollock, Deputy Chief Doughty, EMS Captain Pollock, Administrative Assistant Rumelhart, Frank Lynch and Brenden Feist of General Fire.

Commissioner Norton moved that the fire engine & equipment bid be moved to be the first item on the agenda. Commissioner Durand seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Bid Opening

- Four bids were received for the fire engine and equipment. American LaFrance bid \$356,015.00. US Fire Equipment bid \$259,859.07. General Fire bid \$261,998.00. Cascade Fire & Safety bid \$246,323.00. A committee of Chief Pollock, Deputy Chief Doughty and Commissioner Stone will review the bids and make a recommendation. **Commissioner Stone called a special meeting for Monday October 29, 2007 at 10:00 AM at the administrative office to award the fire engine & equipment bid.**

Guests or Public Appearances:

- None.

Payment of Bills:

- The outstanding bills were reviewed and discussed. **Commissioner Norton moved that the following vouchers be approved for payment:**
 - General Fund (646-002-010)
Voucher numbers: FD07-178 through FD07-188, totaling \$4,089.94.
 - Rescue Fund (646-002-020)
Voucher numbers: RD07-306 through RD07-310, totaling \$2,035.26.**Commissioner Durand seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.**

Correspondence:

- A letter was received from the USDA extending the building completion date until August 21, 2008. A participating provider application was received from AETNA. Commissioner Norton will research the pros and cons of becoming a participating provider. A thank you was received from the Women's Connection for the fall prevention program put on by Sandie Durand and Gayle Pollock.

Reports:

- Administrative Assistant
 - The current fund balances were given.
- Commissioner Stone
 - Station 23 (Tiger) – Nothing new to report.
- Commissioner Durand
 - Commissioner Durand has attended a demonstration of the Hazard House program, a table top house that helps teach children about home safety. The program costs about \$8,000, so Commissioner Durand will start looking for grants to help pay for it.
- Commissioner Norton
 - Loans – The state has acknowledged receiving the LOCAL documents and has scheduled a scoping call at 3:30 PM. The USDA has no date on when the money will be released and has also added more conditions to the project.
- Chief Report
 - An update of current vehicle status was given.
 - Chief Pollock has met with state representative Joel Kretz about implementing impact fees.
 - The Fire District is going to join the Metalines Chamber of Commerce.

- The cross border agreement is moving along. It appears that the responders will be required to have passports, which cost \$135. A discussion was held on how to pay for them. Chief Pollock will explore funding options with the county and other agencies.
- A funding timeline for the new ambulance was presented.
- The AFG grant PPEs have been measured and should arrive within the next month.
- Frank Lynch has been appointed as Lieutenant of Station 24.
- Deputy Chief of Operations Doughty
 - The Pend Oreille Mine fire academy and OTEP is going well.

Old Business:

- Forest Service Responses – Tabled indefinitely.
- Station 23 Fire Engine and Equipment Bid Opening – See above.

New Business:

- Resolution 07-06, Operating Transfer to Rescue Fund – After some discussion, **Commissioner Stone moved that Resolution 07-06, Operating Transfer of \$20,000.00 from the General Fund to the Rescue Fund be approved and that General Fund voucher FD07-189 executing the transfer be approved. Commissioner Norton seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.**
- Patient Account in Collection – Automated Accounts, the fire district's collection agency would like to take a delinquent account to court. After a short discussion, **Commissioner Norton moved that Automated Accounts be permitted to take account 07-038 to court. Commissioner Stone seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.**

The meeting was adjourned at 12:45. The next regular meeting will be a public budget meeting at 10:00 AM on Monday November 12th at the Administrative Office. There will be a special meeting at 10:00 AM on Monday October 29th at the Administrative Office to award the fire engine and equipment bid.

/s/ John Rumelhart, Clerk of the Board