

BROOKLYN FIRE & EMS DISTRICT BOARD MEETING MINUTES 9/21/16

Meeting was called to order at 6:32 pm by President Mark O'Brien. Members present were Kim Gruebling, Pat Hawkey, John Marx, and Jim Lunde. Also present were Dan Dean, Tom Bowers, Wayne Ace, Tom Wiedenbeck, Kyle Mortensen, Bob Frandy, Sarah Grapentine, Jason Krueger and Joanne Van Norman.

Motion: Hawkey/Gruebling to approve minutes of July 27, 2016 meeting. Motion carried.

No Public Comments

President O'Brien signed the purchase contract for the new tender. Tender will be received in 11-12 months.

Motion: Gruebling/Hawkey to renew "Retirement" CD at UB&T for 13 months @ .8%. Motion Carried

Motion: Marx/Gruebling to table discussion of letter received from Village of Brooklyn's attorney pending receipt of more details. Motion carried. Hawkey abstained.

Town of Oregon is proposing several changes to the BFEPD agreement dated 7.27.16. They would like to either eliminate "Substitute Commissioners" (page 4) or allowing them voting rights; explain or delete under "Amendments (page 11) "subject to also obtaining the express written consent of holders of 75% or more and any revenue bonds or other"; under "Agreement to Take Effect (page 11) change "all five (5) Municipal boards" to "4/5 Municipal Boards.

Motion: O'Brien/Marx to allow Substitute Commissioners to vote; to remove any reference to 75% in the document, and change "all five (5) Municipal boards" to "4/5 Municipal Boards". Voting aye: Gruebling, Marx, Lunde, and O'Brien. Voting nay: Hawkey. Motion carried.

Chief Bowers reported that Dane Com will go live on 11/1/16. They will have 8 portable radios that will not work. He will be purchasing 8 new radios using funds in the "Radio Equipment" account. Oregon has a new Interim Fire Chief. **He also requested that Municipalities put a request in their newsletters asking residents to make sure their house number is visible from the road. They are having a problem with numbers being hidden by brush etc.**

Budget items discussed were CAD, attorney fees and "Vehicle Sinking Fund". It was suggested that attorney fees be increased to \$3000 and no money be allocated for a new vehicle.

EMS Director Dean reported that 3 EMT's were leaving the service due to moving out of the area. There are 2 new EMT's joining. One is already trained and the other is currently in school. He also reported that the ambulance was out of service for 12.5 hours in August (some time due to vehicle maintenance). He is projecting a 1-2% decrease in the 2017 budget.

Next meeting will be on Wed. October 12, 2016.

Motion: Lunde/Marx to adjourn at 8:01. Motion carried