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**NESTUCCA RURAL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT**

**Minutes**

**Regular Board Meeting**

**March 12th, 2025**

**Station 87 Hebo, Oregon**

**Turn off all cell phones**

**All Please Stand for the Pledge of Allegiance**

**Call to Order:** Time: 4:00

**Assure all guests have signed the sign-in sheet.**

**Note those who will be speaking, the subject and that there is a three (3) minute time limit.**

**This meeting is recorded**

**Roll Call**:  Dorothy Gann x Steve Shiels x Shelley Cully x

Mark Menefee Anne Price x

**Adjustments to Agenda:**

-After consulting with our accountant, Resolution 2025-01 is not ready to be voted on today.

**Audience Participation: Three (3) minute time limit.**

**Approval of Minutes:** Regular Board of Directors Meeting February 12th, 2025.

Motion to approve: Shelley Cully 2nd Anne Price

Motion passed by: Dorothy Gann x Steve Shiels x Shelley Cully x

Mark Menefee Anne Price x

**Payment of Bills:** Oregon Coast Bank online bill pay, electronic fund transfer, bank charges, petty cash expenditures and LGIP charges, direct deposit payroll and payroll taxes in the total amount of $175,640.18

Motion to approve: Steve Shiels 2nd Shelley Cully

Motion passed by: Dorothy Gann x Steve Shiels x Shelley Cully x

Mark Menefee Anne Price x

**Treasurers Report for**: February 28th, 2025, funds and account balances of $1,930,551.99

Motion to approve: Anne Price 2nd Steve Shiels

Motion passed by: Dorothy Gann x Steve Shiels x Shelley Cully x

Mark Menefee Anne Price x

-Note that General Ledger codes on some previously approved expenditures will be updated for better accuracy. Details will be included with next month’s financial reports.

**Correspondence:**

None

**Old Business**

None

**New Business:**

Appoint Budget Officer and review Budget Calendar: The budgeting process is going well, 2025-2026 annual Budget should be ready by April 1st. Board members should consider who should be nominated to the Budget Committee. No application is needed. Pat Hurliman and Eric White will likely return. At least one more and ideally 3 more are needed for the committee.

Board determines that Chief James Oeder shall fill the position of 2025 Budget Officer.

Motion to approve: Anne Price 2nd Shelley Cully

Motion passed by: Dorothy Gann x Steve Shiels x Shelley Cully x

Mark Menefee Anne Price x

**Executive Session Per ORS. 192.610 to 192.690**

**Reports:**

See packet

**Good of the Order:**

-Flooring has been upgraded in the hall and living quarters at Neskowin St 84 and the hall, crew quarters, and kitchen and storage room at Hebo St. 87. The same laminate and carpet installed last year at St 87 are performing well. Steve Shiels asked how many stay at Neskowin, currently there is one resident and another new volunteer will start there next week bringing it up to 2.

-Chief Shoop is pricing cement pads for fuel tanks and a metal building. This is a 3 phase project: #1 installing bulk fuel tanks, which can save the district $1 a gallon by bulk purchasing, and a metal building to provide secure storage for equipment. It will have tall enough doors to pull in an engine. #2 will be pouring footings for the 4 Connex boxes so they can be stacked to create a training area. #3 will be installing fencing to secure the training area and props. This provides the district with an affordable route to installing training equipment. Having the second academy in as many years is helping bring new volunteers quickly up to speed so they can serve the community. This year there are 12 people being trained, plus 10 CERT volunteers.

-District is bringing First Due Schedule and Community Connect modules online. Scheduling will support staff better and save time and resources. The Connect module will increase communication with the public, including push notifications for alerts. Also plan to highlight career and volunteer members every month to increase public communication.

- Chief Oeder had a call today with County Commissioner Fournier, and will meet next week to further discuss the Tourism and Lodging Tax (TLT) likely to be on the ballot in May. Currently 30% of TLT revenue is allocated to the county, 70% to hotel/tourism support. Much of County revenue goes to road maintenance, new measure would earmark money for the Sheriff, but not the Fire Service. Anne Price noted that the language may be “Public Safety”, which could include Fire. Increased tourism in our district over the last 10 years has greatly increased costs for the district, with no support, though this area brings in the largest portion of the tax revenue.

**Next Meeting: April 9th, 2025**

**Agenda Items for Next Meeting**:

**Adjourn:**

Motion to Approve: Steve Shiels 2nd Shelley Cully

Motion Passed by: Dorothy Gann x Steve Shiels x Shelley Cully x

Mark Menefee Anne Price x

**Time: 4:35**