

Sixes Rural Fire Protection District

MINUTES of the REGULAR MEETING

January 4th, 2004, at the High School

The Call to Order was by Chairman Ken Brewer at 7:03 PM.

In Attendance were Chairman Ken Brewer and Board Members Fred Bitgood, Ray Johnson, Chief and board Member Wayne Moore, Assistant Chief Bill Zimmerman, Captain Howard Walter, Treasurer Wendell Bird and Secretary Jerri Walter.

There were no **Agenda Changes**.

Under **Board Business** the mail was looked over. Ken and Ray will sign and make copies of the Coast Guard Contract and send it in by month's end. The \$3116 Wilson-Heirgood insurance bill was given to Wendell to pay. Ken took the survey to check over. The Board Members present signed the thank you letter to Doctor Pitchford.

Reports were next. The **Secretary's** minutes from the December Meeting were accepted as read.

Treasurer Wendell Bird gave his report for January. Some discussion was followed with a motion by Ray to approve the report and pay the bills. Wayne seconded the motion and it passed. The ending balances showed \$13,788.58 in the General Fund, \$5,306.14 in the Building Fund and \$2,339.29 in the Vehicle Fund.

Grant Coordinator Ken Brewer spoke about the FEMA Grant. He said he'd collect all the information from Wayne to draw up the final report and send it back into FEMA by mid February. The State Forestry Grant is progressing and the funds should arrive about 6 weeks after it's approved.

Fire Chief Wayne Moore reported that Bill Zimmerman represented the Department at the memorial service in Bandon for the officer that died in the line of duty during a rescue. Wayne then told the board of the January 10-11, Saturday night, break-in at the firehouse. The thieves broke in the back door and stole 3 cans of gas, the radio out of Truck #5804, some hose straps, 3 strobe beacon lights, 2 rechargeable flashlights, a box of flares, 2 pairs of wildland gloves, 5 sets of goggles, and 2 small flashlights. The total amount of the damages is estimated at about \$3000. Wayne will give Ken the list of items and he will submit the claim to the insurance company. Curry County Deputy took the report. The empty gas cans were recovered a few days later and Wayne has gathered some information from the neighbor on a loud sounding, dark colored, Toyota-type, pickup at the fire hall the night of the burglary. Work is ongoing to fix and reinforce the back door. Fred moves that the stolen radio be replaced as soon as possible. The motion is seconded and passed. It is noted that a 911 Meeting is to be held in Port Orford January 22. Chief Moore then spoke about a building site possibility up the Sixes River. After much discussion Ray moved that Chuck Gunther research the idea of building a firehouse on the property located across from Gunthers. The motion is seconded and passed. Wayne will talk to Chuck.

The **Safety Committee Report** given by Bill Zimmerman, told about the volunteers doing 3 weeks of training with the new SCBAs.

Under **Public Forum** nothing was addressed.

Under **Old Business** all agreed that the web site is a very fine addition. A few clarifications were noted.

Under **New Business** Ken reminded the Board of the need to appoint this year's Budget Officer. Wayne moved that Ken Brewer be appointed. The motion was seconded and passed. Wendell will again work with Ken on the budget. Ray said he would check on the USFS Grant at Coos Forest Patrol.

The meeting **Adjourned** at about 8:07 PM.

