

FOUR MILE FIRE DISTRICT

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Call to order: 7:00 pm. **Date:** September 18, 2024

1. Roll Call for quorum: Board Members (P) Jeff Carnahan, President; **(P)** Randy Bruggink, Vice President; **(P)** Vicki McDaniel, Secretary; **(P)** Steve Witcher, Treasurer. **(A)** John LeBlanc. **Non-voting Board Members:** **(P)** Chris Hawkins, Fire Chief; **(EA)** Tori Capaci, Accountant; **(P)** Victoria Carnahan, Brigade Chief. **(P) Present (EA) Excused Absence (A) Absent**

2. Previous Minutes: Reviewed minutes of August 21, 2024. Steve Witcher moved to accept; Randy Bruggink seconded. Approved unanimously.

3. Treasurer's Report: Review postponed until Oct meeting. Steve Witcher reported August taxes received. Steve Witcher and Chief Chris Hawkins working on budget, due October 15.

4. Old Business:

A. Update on tender: A part needed to be ordered and replaced, new 2650-gal tank mounted, rebuilt front end, should be able to pick up early next week.

5. New Business:

A. Jeff Carnahan recommended a \$2000 bonus for Captain Jeff Adams due to extra time and effort spent during Chief Hawkins deployment. Jeff Carnahan recommended a raise to \$90,000, effective October 1, 2024, for Chief Chris Hawkins. As per his contract, it was agreed that he receive such since he has completed additional certifications. Steve Witcher made a motion to accept the bonus and raise; Randy Bruggink seconded. Approved unanimously.

6. Brigade Chief Update: Garage Sale net was \$10,746.23. Year to date fund raising is about \$18,000. There will be no more fund raising this year. We will be doing Trunk or Treat, Food Drive, Toys for Tots and annual Christmas Party on December 21st, 5pm and CCME Clubhouse.

7. Chief's Report: 18 Emergent calls. 1100 piles of slash chipped! Chief Chris Hawkins and 2 firefighters returned from successful deployment. The new truck performed admirably, receiving great evaluations and bringing in about \$22,000 income! We now have 42 volunteers and 3 paid personnel, a Chief and 2 Captains. Our grant writer was able to achieve a \$93,000 grant for personnel equipment. Hartsel will be doing an FFII class for 6 weeks in Jan, which Chief Hawkins will attend.

8. Public Comment: None

9. Adjournment at 7:38pm. Randy Bruggink moved to adjourn, Vicki McDaniel seconded, approved unanimously.