



# McKenzie Fire & Rescue

Board Meeting

July 15, 2024

- Directors
- President Derek Wing
  - Vice President Bruce Daniel
  - Secretary/Treasurer Lee Means
  - Board Member Raymond Byrne, Jr.
  - Board Member George Burnette Dillon

- Staff
- Fire Chief Darren Bucich (Deployed to Falls Fire)
  - Deputy Chief Bart Thompson
  - Administrative Assistant Dulcy Pierce

President Derek Wing called the July meeting of the McKenzie Fire & Rescue Board of Directors to order at 12:05 p.m. on Monday, July 15, 2024, at the Leaburg Training Center, 42870 McKenzie Highway, Leaburg, Oregon.

Approval of Board Meeting Minutes: Bruce Daniel moved to accept the minutes, as presented, of the June 17, 2024, Board meeting. George Burnette Dillon seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: A motion to file the treasurer's report for the month of June, subject to audit, was made by Lee Means. Bruce Daniel seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Chief's Report: Chief Bucich has been deployed on the Falls Fire near Burns, OR. The written report was included in the Board packet. Deputy Chief Bart Thompson and Administrative Assistant Dulcy Pierce answered questions.

Grants: Nothing new to report. We are waiting to hear about grant awards.

Hose Testing: Some of the hose tested recently during the annual testing failed. Deputy Chief Bart Thompson is investigating a local company who may be able to mend any repairable hose.

Climate Trailer: Deputy Chief Bart Thompson reported that the State deployed the climate trailer kept at the DRLC to southern Oregon and replaced the trailer with a similar one.

Cedar Flat Arsonist: Deputy Chief Bart Thompson reported that recent events on Cedar Flat Road that involved an arsonist were resolved quickly with the combined response by McKenzie Fire & Rescue personnel and law enforcement.

Personnel: A recent issue arose with a seasonal employee's payroll status. Chief Bucich has reached out to several State agencies and the district's legal counsel. Administrative Assistant Dulcy Pierce provided an overview to the Board. After discussion, the Board felt



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the District had investigated the issue fully but will follow a different process moving forward.

## No Action Items

## No Unfinished Business

## New Business

Fireworks: Director George Burnette Dillon is concerned about the lack of promotion/education for the Lane County firework ban, especially in rural areas, and overviewed two instances near his home. He would like to see a mailer with the information, sent in a timely fashion, to homeowners and residents. The use of the readerboard was also discussed. Guest Dana Burwell also recommended utilizing the Sheriff's department for public education during extreme weather. Deputy Chief Bart Thompson will discuss this with Chief Bucich when he returns.

## Good of the Order

Derek Wing expressed his gratitude for the quick response to the Cedar Flat Road fires.

Bruce Daniel thanked the Board for their level of involvement with the District.

The Volunteer Appreciation Brunch & BBQ will be held Wednesday, July 24<sup>th</sup>. Breakfast will be served at 9:00 a.m. and dinner at 5:30 p.m.

The next meeting will be held on Monday, August 19, 2024, at the Leaburg Training Center.

Meeting adjourned at 12:46 p.m.

Lee Means, Secretary / Treasurer