

MINUTES SOMERS RURAL FIRE DISTRICT MAY 2022

ATTENDEES: Dave Hayes, Chelsey Spence, Dan Vachal, Rick Kinkel, Cardi Chmielewski (zoom), and Beth Dotson

STAFF ATTENDEES: RT Kienas and Tom Havens

VISITORS: None

ABSENT: None

Meeting called to order at 6:05 pm by Dave Hayes.

Chelsey Spence motioned to approve the minutes for the April 12, 2022 Board Meeting. Cardi Chmielewski seconded, and motion carried.

Rick Kinkel motioned to approve May 10, 2022 amended bills for 7202 in the amount of \$12,033.14. Dan Vachal seconded, and motion carried.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

FY2021 Audit

Financial spreadsheets and annual report were forwarded to Lisa Petrescu.

OLD BUSINESS

Fuel Cards (WEX) – provided a list of truck numbers and drivers. Waiting for cards to arrive. Cardi Chmielewski will follow-up.

Land Purchase – Everything has been forwarded to attorney (Jasmine). Rick Kinkel made a motion to pursue title insurance. Chelsey Spence seconded, and motion carried.

Notice of building sale must be published in the legal section of the local newspaper. Secretary will generate a draft legal for Board review.

NorthWestern Energy Grant – Deadline has passed – will look at next year.

NEW BUSINESS

Realtor – must be commercial. Rick Kinkel made a motion to contact David Fetveit of Pure West Realty. Dan Vachal seconded, and motion carried.

Insurance Renewal – Tom Havens will provide list of drivers. Insurance is due June 1. EMC premium increase is anticipated to be \$2500/yr. Increase is due to addition of UTV, trailer, and truck. Membership is also up. Dave Hayes will review past history, and let Board know by email.

Generator Service (three-year contract) – quote is \$3294.00 for three (3) years. Dan Vachal made a motion to approve new contract. Chelsey Spence seconded, and motion carried.

Helmets – DNRC requires helmets when the trailer is loaded and unloaded. Dan Vachal made a motion to purchase two helmets to be kept on UTV and a box to hold chains, Pulaski's, etc. Cardi Chmielewski seconded, and motion carried. Every fireman must sign a form signifying they are aware that helmets are available.

Fuel - all trucks and equipment are checked once a month. The trucks and equipment in Lakeside will be checked in Lakeside rather than bringing them to Somers to reduce fuel costs.

By-Laws – will be reviewed and updated.

Zoom Meeting – need to install a camera in board room to allow for Zoom meetings. Brayden Doucette will assist.

FIRE CHIEF'S UPDATE

Calls - 83 calls to date for 2022

Miscellaneous

A ribbon cutting ceremony will be held on Thursday (May 12) for new beach recreational area. Sliters is hosting and Vista Linda is catering.

The Water Board monthly meeting is held at the Somers Hall. Board agreed to allow them to use the Board Room.

Rick Kinkel motioned to adjourn meeting at 7:10 pm. Cardi Chmielewski seconded, and motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by

Beth Dotson
SRFD Secretary