

MINUTES
JEFFERSON RURAL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS' BOARD MEETING

Date: May 20, 2025 *Jefferson Fire Station - Jefferson, OR*

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 5:34 p.m. by Board Chair Nuss.

FLAG SALUTE: Director Knutson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ATTENDANCE: Director Robbins, Director Nuss, Director Knutson, Fire Chief Eckhardt, and Administrative Assistant Tammy Robbins, City Liaison Bob Rossiter (Absent: Director Jones) Visitors: Alexis Williams, Edna Campu, and Mike Hicks

REVISIONS TO AGENDA: None

SWEARING IN OF BOARD MEMBER – Tom Paresa was sworn in by President Nuss

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – April 15, 2025 - Regular Board Meeting

MINUTES: Motion made by Director Knutson, seconded by Director Robbins, to approve the minutes as listed above. All in favor. Motion passed.

FINANCIAL ASSETS as of April 30, 2025

▪ Check Register Balance	\$ 208,809.36
▪ Local Government Inv. Pool	\$1,151,965.76
▪ Petty Cash	\$ 150.00
▪ Community Service Account	\$ 3,011.11
▪ Total	\$1,363,936.23

Chief's Report:

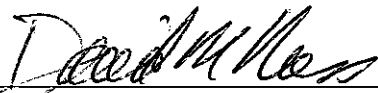
The Safer grant opens on May 23rd and closes on July 3rd. The Chief asked if there were any objections to moving forward for another joint retention and recruitment position with Scio Fire. Director Robbins asked how long it takes to receive the money from the grant? The Chief explained that this is a buy and reimburse grant. Director Robbins asked how long it takes to be reimbursed. The chief stated that we just received the last of the reimbursement from last year, this month. We are hoping it will be less than last year. This is a federal government grant. There were no objections.

Radio project – There is not much of an update. The Chief explained there was a meeting with Patrick Hoover, the contractor for the project. The county is starting to change their perspective regarding the systems and they are realizing that the fire industry doesn't have the funds. We are still looking at the VHF system.

We received the Wildland Staffing grant money of \$35,000. The staffing would start approximately July 4 until October. We received a grant from the Siletz Indian Tribe for \$3,861.98 with a \$500 match. This is to replace suction units.

Hero's day is scheduled for June 28, 2025. The Chief wanted to confirm that it would be okay to have apparatus in the parade and breakfast at the station. The Board is in favor of this.

With no further business to be brought before the Board of Directors, it was moved by Director Robbins to adjourn seconded by Director Paresa to adjourn the meeting. All in favor. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 6:13 p.m.



Board President

6/17/25 Date


Administrative Assistant