

**Lane Fire Authority & Santa Clara Fire
Minutes for March 21st, 2023 Board Meeting
3939 River Road, Eugene**

The regular board meetings for Lane Fire Authority and Santa Clara Fire were called to order by Lane Fire Authority Board President Greg Deedon at 1:01 pm and Santa Clara Board President Russ Sirotek at 1:00 pm. Both meetings were held virtually and in person.

Board Members Present:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pete Holmes
In person | <input type="checkbox"/> Bill Clendenen | <input type="checkbox"/> Ryan Walker | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> John Baxter
In person | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Greg Deedon
In person |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rod Graves
Virtually | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Susan Smith
In person | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Don Phillips
In person | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Russ Sirotek
In person | <input type="checkbox"/> Frank Taubenkrau
Virtually |

Minutes, Treasurer’s Report and Bills:

Topic	February 2023 Board Minutes
Discussion	February minutes will be corrected to read: SCF total funds are \$4,772,000. LFA funds total \$3,800.00.
Action taken	John Baxter made a motion to approve February minutes with the above correction. Seconded by Rod Graves. All ayes.

Treasurer’s Report:

Everything looks good on the profit & loss statement.

In the next couple of months, the mobilization money will be brought back into the budget by resolution.

The Budget Committee will be discussing capital outlay projects as well as staffing for FY 2023-2024.

Chief Borland estimates cash carry over for this year will be about 1.6 million.

Life Flight membership funds continue to come in.

Correspondence:

None

Promotions:

Daniel Kemp and Bailey Hill were promoted to engineer and Riley Weaver was promoted to FF.

Chief's Report:

Brush 109 repair is moving forward. Chief Borland received the go-ahead from SDAO to move forward with a remount. It will probably close to summer before the remount is complete.

The radio governance committee (VHF in Lane County for fire) has now reviewed the draft. There will be a dispatch contract (approximately \$335,000) and a radio governance contract which Chief Borland estimates will be about \$28,000 for the district.

There has been no communication from DEQ regarding Station 112.

Station 103 was broken into. An estimated 10-15 thousand dollars of items were stolen. A sheriff's report has been filed as well as an insurance claim.

April 18th the City of Veneta is holding a meeting re expanding urban renewal boundaries. This possible boundary expansion will potentially cost the district approximately \$128,000 in revenue. Chief Borland plans on attending the meeting – with that said, **the April 18th board meeting will be at noon.**

A district ambulance service inspection will be conducted by Oregon Health Authority April 20th. Living facilities, records, ambulances and equipment will be inspected.

The district will be purchasing 4" hose along with a Genesis cutter and glass cutting kits from Capital Outlay as we move towards the end of the year.

Grant Update:

- A Safer Grant for 1.6 million dollars over 3 years with no match for 3 FTE personnel has been submitted.
- The AFG grant has a 20%, 25%, 50% match – this was submitted last Friday.
- The air pac grant was submitted last month for just under 1 million
- Results for the OSFM Office grant for a Pub Ed position should be posted by the second week of April.
- The engine grant through OSFM office results should be known soon. If successful, the district will probably not see a new engine until this time next year. Year.

IAFF:

Congrats to Daniel, Bailey and Riley on their promotions.

Bill also thanked Capt. Jozwiak, Lt. Jasper, Engineers Whitaker & Jonsson as well as the administrative staff for their work on the grant.

Maintenance: See attached

Public Comment: None

Volunteer Association: None

Best Practices: None

New Business:

All board members previously received a copy of the updated public contracting rules. The resolution to adopt will be presented at the April board meeting.

Concern was raised about south battalion response. There has been a shift in ESF fire/ems coverage - LFA needs to consider response for the area. It makes sense for south battalion to build-out from the station which can only be accomplished by purchasing property next to the station. This was discussed several years ago but never culminated in the property purchase. The number of calls, location and deployment are very centralized and support having quarters of some type next to the station.

A conversation was held re the feasibility of closing several unmanned stations and has been discussed in the Budget & Finance Committee meetings. Closing stations needs to be carefully considered as it will have an effect on ISO ratings.

A consensus among board members to move forward with purchasing the property was reached with the caveat of selling other property. There were no objections raised.

A map of the entire district was requested by board members.

Old Business:

A hydrant on Wilkes is blocked by a fence. A letter was sent to the fence owner asking him to remedy the situation which has not happened. There is a ratchet wrench available that may help the situation.

Mike Dennis was introduced. He is a long time Santa Clara volunteer that is running for board position two on the Santa Clara board.

The regular board meeting for Lane Fire Authority was adjourned by President Greg Deedon at 2:05. Santa Clara Fire was adjourned at 2:05 pm by President Russ Sirotek.

NEXT REGULAR BOARD MEETING: April 18th at 2:00 PM

LOCATION: Station 101, 88050 Territorial Rd., Veneta