

**NESTUCCA RURAL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT**

**Minutes**

**Regular Board Meeting**

**January 8th, 2025**

**Station 87 Hebo, Oregon**

**Turn off all cell phones**

**All Please Stand for the Pledge of Allegiance**

**Call to Order:** Time: 4:00 p.m.

**Assure all guests have signed the sign-in sheet.**

**Note those who will be speaking, the subject and that there is a three (3) minute time limit.**

**This meeting is recorded**

**Roll Call**:  Dorothy Gann x Steve Shiels x Shelley Cully x

Mark Menefee x Anne Price x

**Adjustments to Agenda:**

**Audience Participation: Three (3) minute time limit.**

**Approval of Minutes:** Regular Board of Directors Meeting December 11th, 2024.

Motion to approve: Steve Shiels 2nd Shelley Cully

Motion passed by: Dorothy Gann x Steve Shiels x Shelley Cully x

 Mark Menefee x Anne Price

**Payment of Bills:** Oregon Coast Bank online bill pay, electronic fund transfer, bank charges, petty cash expenditures and LGIP charges, direct deposit payroll and payroll taxes in the total amount of $100,412.84

Motion to approve: Anne Price 2nd Shelley Cully

Motion passed by: Dorothy Gann x Steve Shiels x Shelley Cully x

 Mark Menefee x Anne Price x

**Treasurers Report for**: December 30th, 2024, funds and account balances of $2,253,719.98

Motion to approve: Anne Price 2nd Shelley Cully

Motion passed by: Dorothy Gann x Steve Shiels x Shelley Cully x

 Mark Menefee x Anne Price x

**Correspondence:** UPDATED materials distributed at meeting

Board Member Roles & Responsibilities Training on January 6 at 6pm in Tillamook

Handout addressing new rules governing public meetings

Thank you letter from Lions

SDAO Winter Newsletter

**Old Business**

None

**New Business:**

NRFPD applied for an Assistance to Firefighters Grant from the Dept. of Homeland Security- administered through FEMA. The ask is for funds to purchase two new apparatus: a new engine and a new brush rig. Letters from Board Members to our national Senators and Congressional Representatives in support of the application would be helpful.

Two other grants have been applied for as well: an ATV Grant to fund Sandlake extrication equipment that can be used on the dunes and one from Firehouse Subs to fund the purchase of a turnout washer and a turnout dryer for Pacific City Station. Many thanks to Chief Neel and Wyatt Angelo for writing and researching these grants. Anne price would like a copy of the grant narrative in addition to a template letter. Letters of support from people in the area who profit from the presence of ATVs are needed if anyone knows someone who rents/sells/repairs ATVs, offers camping or vacation rentals, etc. Between the three grants NRFPD has asked for over $1.2 million, and we hope some portion of this funding comes through.

Station 85 seismic upgrade architect/engineer request for qualifications period has closed. Four companies came to the mandatory meeting 11/22/2024, and three submitted their qualifications to lead the project.

The ranked list is as follows: 1. WRK Engineers. 2. Mackenzie. 3. RSS Architecture.

Dorothy, Anne and Steve requested more information about how the list was ranked, and Chief Hays and Chief Neel WRK was ranked first because they have done more of these seismic upgrade projects than the other two, and other districts gave feedback that they were happy with what they delivered and how the budget was handled. RSS Architecture had negative feedback from other districts that had worked with them and so was ranked last. WRK also has experience working on a station while keeping it in service. This Is important because Sandlake is a busy station and can’t be shut down for construction.

Motion to approve WRK Engineers to be lead architects: Steve Shiels 2nd Anne Price

Motion passed by: Dorothy Gann x Steve Shiels x Shelley Cully x

Mark Menefee x Anne Price x

**Executive Session Per ORS. 192.610 to 192.690**

**Reports:** UPDATED materials distributed at meeting

Station 86 report

NRFPD Strategic Plan

**Good of the Order:**

Dorothy and other board members said they have really noticed more being taught and trained around the district. Chief Hays responded that was due to Chief Neel’s efforts. He has been trying to bring the District personnel’s skills up to date with current NFPA guidelines. This means that there is quicker response time for calls and recent fires have been put out faster and in a safer environment for the firefighters.

Chief Oeder will not be present for the February 12 Board meeting. He will be attending the Western Fire Chiefs’ Association Conference in Las Vegas.

Director positions up for election May 20, 2025 are:

Position 3- Anne Price

Position 4- Mark Menefee (for balance of term running through 6/30/2027)

Position 5- Steve Shiels

Filing paperwork will be sent to you as soon as it’s available from the county. No one from the community has expressed interest in running for any of the seats up for election, apart from the incumbents.

**Next Meeting: February 12th, 2025**

**Agenda Items for Next Meeting**:

**Adjourn:**

Motion to Approve: Shelley Cully 2nd Steve Shiels

Motion Passed by: Dorothy Gann x Steve Shiels x Shelley Cully x

Mark Menefee x Anne Price x

**Time: 4:20 p.m.**