

FOUR MILE FIRE DISTRICT

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Call to order: 7:02 pm. **Date:** June 19, 2024

1. Roll Call for quorum: Board Members (P) Jeff Carnahan, President; **(P)** Randy Bruggink, Vice President; **(P)** Vicki McDaniel, Secretary; **(EA)** Steve Witcher, Treasurer. **(P)** John LeBlanc. **Non-voting Board Members:** **(EA)** Chris Hawkins, Fire Chief; **(P)** Tori Capaci, Accountant; **(P)** Victoria Carnahan, Brigade Chief. **(P) Present (EA) Excused Absence (A) Absent**

2. Previous Minutes: Reviewed minutes of May 15, 2024. Randy Bruggink moved to accept; Jeff Carnahan seconded. Approved unanimously.

3. Treasurer's Report: Reviewed May Financials. Randy Bruggink moved to accept; Vicki McDaniel seconded. Approved unanimously.

4. Old Business:

A. Update on tank for tender: Some minor adjustments still to be made on Tender before it's return to station.

5. New Business:

A. Brigade Chief Update: 3C Event brought in approximately \$1000. Signs all paid for. July 6th BBQ next event. Lots of donations are coming in for Silent Auction. Smokin Butts providing food, still looking for music

B. New Chipper: Vicki McDaniel made a motion to purchase new, larger chipper for \$55, 000, using \$21,500 trade in for current chipper, leaving balance of \$33,500. Randy Bruggink seconded. Approved unanimously. To offset cost, there will be charge of minimum \$150 per 4 hours. Homeowner will then pay \$20 per hour to fire fighter that brings and attends to chipper.

C. New Brush Truck: Randy Bruggink made a motion to purchase a new Brush Truck for \$194,995 and pay cash to avoid finance charges. Vicki McDaniel seconded the motion. Approved unanimously. Next meeting we will discuss additional costs involved in "outfitting" new truck after seeing and going over proposal from Chief Hawkins.

D. Deployment Proposal: Vicki McDaniel made a motion to start deploying Brush 31 (hopefully by August) with a crew of 4 to wildland fires to bring in more income to offset purchase of new Brush Truck. Randy Bruggink seconded the motion. Approved unanimously

6. Chief's Report: Monica stated 30 calls since last month. 7 members attended Wildland Academy, and several attended various additional training courses. Fuel Moisture indicates dry, possible Burn Ban by next week if we don't get significant moisture soon. We've chipped 213 piles so far, expecting to do 600 this year. Last year 386 were chipped.

8. Public Comment: none

9. Adjournment at 8:12 pm. Randy Bruggink moved to adjourn, Vicki McDaniel seconded, approved unanimously.