

# CENTRAL OREGON COAST FIRE & RESCUE DISTRICT

## BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING

MAY 18, 2017

1. Call to Order: The Budget Committee Meeting of the Central Oregon Coast Fire and Rescue District was called to order at 5:32 p.m. May 18, 2017 by President Tim Grady.
2. Introduction of Budget Committee Members: Budget Committee Members present were COCFRD Board Members Tim Grady, Dave Brooks, Reda Eckerman, and Kevin Battles; Budget Committee Members Jovita Ballentine, Julie Becker, George Gray, and Mike Powell; Staff members Brett Quick, Accountant and Gary Woodson, Fire Chief. Although not listed on the agenda, the next step was to elect a chairperson, traditionally a Budget Committee member rather than a Board member. Reda Eckerman nominated Julie Becker; Julie Becker nominated Jovita Ballentine; Jovita Ballentine seconded Mrs. Eckerman's nomination of Julie Becker; nominations closed and a majority vote was cast for Julie Becker. Chair Becker then called the Budget Committee meeting to order at 5:34 p.m. on May 18, 2017.
3. Presentation of the Budget: Chief Woodson presented the proposed budget for the Central Oregon Coast Fire & Rescue District for the fiscal year July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018. He elaborated on the budget notes attached to the budget. A correction was made on the notes for item 8036, Communications Equipment, Form LB-10, which had not been updated from the \$10,000 listed to the corrected amount of \$21,633 .
4. Discussion of the Budget: Discussion was ongoing during Chief Woodson's presentation. A smoke-detector installation program was included in the budget, as well as adding computer-based learning programs. There was a major increase of funds proposed to renovate/replace the Tidewater station, whichever seems most practicable. One item of concern was the proposed repairs to the Zodiac to fix the existing problems, and the possibility of a replacement. Melissa Steinman offered to look into obtaining a grant for a new water rescue boat. Following a discussion of dispatch services, it was decided to check with Toledo's service for possible future change. The proposed payroll includes two additional paid personnel, and an additional \$10,000 in the Volunteer Fund; the Chief would like to be able to recruit more volunteers by offering incentives. He also wanted to provide some form of compensation for the duty officers for their additional responsibilities.
5. Public Comment on the Budget: Public comment had taken place during the presentation. Pam Pitts had questions concerning the uniform account; discussion of replacing old and getting new uniforms for volunteers. Don Chin had questions concerning the SCBA's; they have to meet very stringent requirements. SCBA's will be standardized to coordinate with Yachats and Seal Rock equipment so that tanks are

interchangeable. Peter Carlich questioned what happened to funds if they are not used; they are carried over to the following year.

6. Recommendations or changes. None.

7. Approval of the Budget. It was moved by Mike Powell, seconded by Tim Grady, to accept the proposed budget, as presented, and recommend its adoption to the Central Coast Fire and Rescue District Board of Directors, and that the District's Budget Committee approve taxes for the 2017/2018 year upon the assessed value of all taxable property within the District in the amount of \$.82 per \$1000 of assessed value for permanent rate tax, in the amount of \$.25 per \$1000 of assessed value for local option tax (Equipment Levy), and in the amount of \$1.27 per \$1000 of assessed valuation for local option levy, subject to general government limitation; motion carried.

At this time Pam Pitts took the opportunity to congratulate the Board members on their re-election, thanked the Committee for a good job on the budget, and expressed her appreciation for the consideration being given to Tidewater.

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 6:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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Jan Hansen, Recording Secretary

Approved:

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Board Chair