PHILOMATH FIRE & RESCUE

February 23, 2023

Location: Zoom at 5:00 pm

Special Session Board Meeting

- I. <u>CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL-</u> The Philomath Fire & Rescue Board of Directors Special Session meeting was called to order by President Daphne Phillips at 17:00. Board members present included: Doug Edmonds. Vice President Rick Brand and Treasurer Ken Corbin arrived later in the meeting and were brought up to speed by President Daphne Phillips. Board members not present included Joe Brier. Philomath Fire & Rescue Staff in attendance included: Chief Chancy Ferguson, and Administrative Assistant Ashley Scott. Guests included Darrell Hinchberger. This meeting due to weather conditions was held entirely on Zoom.
- II. PUBLIC COMMENT- None.

III. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Discuss Board's involvement with SAFER Grant
 - i. Chief Ferguson discussed the Historical Significance with this specific grant and the evolution at Philomath Fire & Rescue. It is Staff's intention for Philomath Fire & Rescue to apply for this grant requesting two paid firefighter positions. This grant would be fully funded for three years. Currently, Philomath Fire & Rescue is meeting NFPA Standard 0% of the time. By adding these two paid positions Philomath Fire & Rescue would be meeting NFPA 50% of the time. Chief Ferguson is looking for prior approval from the Board to go out for the grant.
 - ii. Questions from the Board included future planning, funding, Union agreement and future volunteer involvement. All questions were appropriately answered by staff.
- IV. <u>ACTION ITEMS</u>- President Daphne Phillips will draft a letter of support from the Board to apply for the SAFER Grant.
- V. NEXT MEETING Board Meeting Scheduled March 13, 2023

VI. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>- The Special Session meeting of the Philomath Fire & Rescue Board was adjourned at 17:20.

Board President- Daphne Phillips