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November 13, 2019 Lake Grove Fire District Monthly General Board Meeting Minutes

Board President Sherry Patterson called the General Board meeting to order at 5:30 pm at 17665 SW Pilkington, Suite B, and Lake Oswego, OR, 97035.

In Attendance:

Sherry Patterson, Allen Patterson, Jon Harrell, Bret Hanson, Fire Chief Don Johnson, City Manager Martha Bennett,

Business:

1. The Board reviewed the agenda for tonight's meeting.
2. The Board reviewed the minutes from the Board meeting on October 16, 2019.
 - a. Bret moved to approve the minutes; Jon seconded the motion. **Motion passed unanimously.**
3. The Board invited Lake Oswego City Manager Martha Bennett to the board meeting tonight. Martha joined the City of Lake Oswego in August 2019. Martha brings more than 25 years of experience including prior posts leading the City of Ashland as city administrator, at the City of Milwaukie as assistant city manager, and serving as executive director of the Columbia River Gorge Commission. What brought Martha to the City of Lake Oswego was "Lake Oswego is a full-service community with a really strong quality of life and educated, intelligent, passionate residents, so it's an attractive organization for anyone working in local government. We have a high quality, engaged staff working here, so the chance to be part of that is pretty exciting." Welcome Martha.
4. The Board presented Martha with a check for \$ 1,000. The City plans to purchase a third drone in early 2020 that has an enhanced camera and download capabilities. This new drone has heat-seeking capabilities and will be used by the City and the fire and police departments.
5. Fire Chief's Report
 - a. The Emergency Communications Tower will not be constructed on Cooks Butte. The Emery family, who sold the park to the City in 1975, withdrew their consent for the City to build a public emergency communications tower at the park. The purpose of the tower is to improve communications for police, fire and life safety personnel. When a call for help is made to 9-1-1, the emergency radio system enables dispatchers to get all necessary emergency responders to the caller's location as quickly as possible. The system also provides the vital link among responders in the field to coordinate, request backup and get aid to people in crisis. The system is used by fire and rescue, city police, the County Sheriff, and EMS/ambulance responders, a total of 18 different police and fire departments in Clackamas County. Together these 18 agencies are known as Clackamas 800 Radio Group (C800). Equipment for the current analog system is obsolete

- and reaching the end of its serviceable life. Manufacturers no longer make key replacement parts because they have transitioned to newer digital technology, and finding used parts for the system has become increasingly difficult.
6. The Board asked Michelle to confirm that the C800 Radio Group did do an independent study on radiation exposure for the proposed communications tower. If so, Michelle will obtain a copy of the report.
 7. Financial Report
 - a. The Board reviewed the financial report.
 - i. Bret moved to pay the bills as presented; Jon seconded the motion. **Motion passed unanimously.**
 - b. Both bank reconciliations were completed for October 31, 2019. Bret reviewed and approved these bank reconciliations.
 8. Safety Update
 - a. Sherry asked the Board members present if they were aware of any other safety issues and the response was no.

The Board meeting adjourned at 6:45 pm.