

CLOVERDALE RURAL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

67433 Cloverdale Road, Sisters, Oregon 97759

MINUTES –BOARD MEETING – October 21, 2026 –5:30p.m.

BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:

President:	Jerry Johnson	_____
Director:	Vacant	_____
Secretary:	John Thomas	<u>ZOOM</u>
Director:	Deanne Dement	<u>PRESENT</u>
Director:	Alycia Downs	<u>ZOOM</u>

Other in attendance: Chief Olsen, Capt. Fast, Dave Hiller (Zoom), Mitch Turpen, Michael Miller (Zoom)

- 1. Regular Board Meeting – Call to order at: 1734**
- 2. MINUTES:** Approval of September Minutes,
1st: Deanne Dement 2nd John Thomas **Vote: Yes __3__ No __0__**
- 3. PUBLIC INPUT:** Limited to 2 minutes Mitch Turpen asked as a volunteer and community member that any major decision regarding changes in how the chief structure and staffing is being handled be sent out for public input through communication channels of the district. The website, social media, and possibly the Nugget newspaper, as it differs from what was communicated during the levy process.
- 4. Correspondence:** Letter from State Secretary regarding audit
- 5. BILLS AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT:** September 2026 Bills
Motion: move to approve the bills and financial statement.
1st Deanne Dement 2nd Dave Hiller
Vote; YES: __4__ NO __0__
- 6. VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS' ASSOCIATION REPORT:** Report given by Mitch Turpen. Association letter should be in mailboxes this week. Christmas party will be Dec 12th at Aspen Lakes. A Christmas card will be sent out in Dec for district residence. Association membership is declining.
- 7. CHIEF'S REPORT:** Working on the IGA for Fire Chief services. Had a meeting with the Fire Chief from Sisters and BBR Fire to discuss this option. Need to set up another

meeting with our Board and SDAO to come up with what we want in the IGA. Then it would be sent out to the other agencies for them to review and be able to put in a proposal.

- 8. TRAINING OFFICERS REPORT:** Has been having discussions with volunteers on there roles with the district. We have some older members that are stepping down as firefighters and will be moving into more of a support role as well as help with tender responses.
- 9. SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT:** Report was in the packet. One incident was in report regarding a door that came open on the fire truck while driving to a call. All other latches on the trucks were checked after this. It was discuss that a lot of gear is being left on the floor causing a hazard to people walking around.

10.OLD BUSINESS:

- a. RFP – Chief update on district management: It was discussed to set up a Board workshop with SDAO representative present. Chief will be working to set this meeting up.

11.NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Response to Oregon Secretary of State audit plan of action motion: The Chief read the letter from the Secretary of State to the members. The motion was made as Chief read it “For the Cloverdale Fire District regarding the audit as prepared”. Motion made by John Thomas, second by Deanne Dement. Passed 4 yes, 0 no
- b. Appoint new Board member to fill vacancy: Dave Hiller expressed interest in filling the vacant position. A motion was made by John Thomas to appoint Dave Hiller to the vacant Board position. A second by Deanne Dement. Mitch Turpen had a comment that he would like to see this go out to public for review. The motion was voted on and approved. 2 yes, 0 no. Dave Hiller is the newly appointed Director. This motion happened at the start of the meeting. Need to notify the County Clerk of the new member.

- 12.ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Pursuant to ORS 192.660(2)(a&b) for board discussion with Fire Chief. At _____ hours. No Executive session held.

13.OTHER ITEMS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD:

14.ADJOURNMENT TIME: 1827

1st: John Thomas 2nd: Deanne Dement

YES: 3 No: 0 Director Downs left meeting prior to end of meeting.

Board Member: Print: _____ Sign: _____

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