

Lake Grove Fire District #57
PO Box 2163
Lake Oswego, OR 97035

www.lgfd57.com

Directors:
Jon Harrell
Grant Howell
Allen Patterson
Sherry Patterson
Bretley Hanson

October 16, 2024 Lake Grove Fire District Monthly General Board Meeting Minutes

Board President Jon Harrell called the General Board meeting to order at 4:30 pm via Google Meet and held in person at the Downtown Lake Oswego Fire Station 214.

In Attendance:

Jon Harrell, Grant Howell, Bret Hanson, Allen Patterson, Sherry Patterson, Fire Marshal Gert Zoutendijk, Michelle Cushing

Business:

1. The Board reviewed the agenda for tonight's meeting.
2. The Board reviewed the minutes from the General Board meeting on September 18, 2024.
 - a. Grant moved to approve the minutes; Sherry seconded the motion. **Motion passed unanimously**
3. Fire Chief's Report - Assistant Fire Chief Kris Artman provided a written update and Fire Marshal Gert Zoutendijk joined the Board tonight.
 - a. Three members of the Lake Oswego Fire Department (LOFD) received the Medal of Valor and Certificates of Merit for a recent call on the Clackamas River. It was triple rescue with only Boat 212 in the water, as other boat teams had cleared the call thinking there was no rescue need since those that called confirmed their friends had swam to safety. But, while Boat 212 was doing their methodic and patient perimeter search they were waved over to two struggling swimmers. The Boat 212 driver expertly moved the boat into a position close enough for the other two firefighters to reach into the water and hold the two swimmers up. While this was happening, the Fire Lieutenant noticed another swimmer struggling and starting to go down. With very little time to plan, he told the other firefighter he would have to manage getting both victims into the boat. The Lieutenant dove into the water and swam to the drowning man. He reached the man, held him on his chest and waited for the boat driver to carefully maneuver the boat close enough to get the third victim onto the boat. All three swimmers were assessed, and after a trip to the hospital for the third patient, were cleared with no injuries. The third swimmer said the LOFD team saved his life. Their diligent adherence to procedures, even when it appeared the danger had passed, is indicative of their consistent and exceptional performance standards, both in training and on live incidents. On Tuesday December 3rd they will be recognized by Lake Oswego City Council for their actions.
 - b. LOFD responded to a cardiac arrest. A 42-year-old male collapsed and stopped breathing. His wife immediately called 911. A Lake Oswego Communications Center (LOCOM) Dispatcher calmly dispatched LOFD, LOPD, and AMR while directing the lady to move her husband to firm ground and begin CPR. The dispatcher stayed on the line with the lady until LOFD arrived. Their response time was 3 minutes. LOFD immediately assessed that the male was still not breathing and had no pulse. They

applied the AED patches and administered the shock. Very quickly he started to regain consciousness. The crew found themselves in the unusual situation of explaining to the heart attack patient what had happened and what they were doing to treat him. Recently the man, his wife, parents, and three-year-old daughter visited the fire station to meet the crew. It was an emotional visit for everyone involved as they got to witness the man alive and well and being thankful for a wonderful outcome.

- c. The first Station 212 Task Force meeting is Thursday, October 24th. LOFD has had conversations with the neighborhood association representatives recently and everyone is excited to work together and continue to build our community better.
4. Russell Ries, CPA, from Jarrard, Seibert, Pollard and Co (JSP) attended the meeting and presented the results of the FY 2023-2024 Annual Audit. All financial accounting was in good order and the District received a clean and unmodified opinion. Russ commented on how well the financial records were maintained and noted all Oregon standards were met and there were no adjusting entries required. Russ will email the final audit report to Michelle and she will forward to the Board, post on the website and submit to the State of Oregon Audit Division.
5. Chief Artman arranged visits to the LOCOM for several Board members and Michelle. Everyone thought it was interesting and complimented the team at LOCOM. Proud to have them represent our City!
6. Financial Report
 - a. The Board reviewed the monthly financial report.
 - i. Allen moved to pay the bills as presented; Sherry seconded the motion. **Motion passed unanimously.**
 - b. Both bank reconciliations were completed for September 30, 2024. Grant and Sherry reviewed and approved these bank reconciliations.
7. Safety Update
 - a. Grant asked the Board members present if they were aware of any safety issues and the response was no.

The Board meeting adjourned at 5:24 pm.