

**Board of Directors  
Minutes**

**Special Meeting**

**December 23, 2010**

Pursuant to the proper public notice, a special meeting of the Board of Directors of Klamath County Fire District No. 1 was held at The Administration office, 535 Market Street, Klamath Falls, OR 97601

**Members Present:** Gloria Storey, President  
Alan Scott, Vice President  
Mike Jones, Director

**Members Absent:** Rod Green, Secretary-Treasurer  
Mike Harrigan, Director

**1. Call Meeting to Order**

President Storey called the meeting to order at 11:00am.

**2. Pledge of Allegiance**

President Storey led the Board of Directors and attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance. She also asked everyone to observe a moment of silence for the two Chicago firefighters killed on December 22<sup>nd</sup>.

**3. Approval of Agenda**

Director Jones made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Vice President Scott, carried unanimously.

**4. Public Comment**

President Storey asked if there were any public comments.

Carl Gurfse, President of Local 890 and longtime employee of Fire District No. 1 expressed concerns that he has. *The Board's decision to reaffirm the Fire Chief's contract, or exploring other avenues, is completely the Board's option. To the extent that we don't know what that decision is, what we do know is that leadership is absolutely paramount. Leadership, presence, and vision will get us out of the mess we are currently in. We need that more than ever, and I hope that the board shares our concerns.*

Tom Morehouse, a longtime tax payer of Fire District No. 1, and currently a Battalion Chief asked if this meeting was to renew the Fire Chief's contract, based on what he read on the post agenda. President Storey indicated that it was. BC Morehouse asked if the Fire Chief's contract was public record. Attorney Hedlund commented that he is researching this issue in regards to public record and he can have an answer by December 29<sup>th</sup>. BC Morehouse also asked if there is a term on the new contract. President Storey replied that it is for three years. He asked if it had an automatic renewal. Attorney Hedlund replied that there is an automatic renewal clause unless either party opts out at least six months prior to the end of the dates. He clarified that this is at the end of the three years.

**5. Action Items**

**At this time, the Board is now acting as Contract Review Board and will take up the matters of:**

**a. Approval of the Contract with the Fire Chief**

Attorney Hedlund pointed out that the contract reads that it is entered into on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of December, 2010. This will need to be changed to the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of December, 2010. If approved, he will make this correction and reprint this page. President Storey called for a motion to approve the new contract with the Fire Chief with the change in dates as counsel stated. Director Jones made the motion, seconded by Vice President Scott, carried unanimously.

President Storey commented that if the Fire Chief’s contract is a public document, she has no problems with anyone reviewing it.

**At this time, the Board is no longer acting as the Contract Review Board and the next item on the agenda is:**

**6. Adjourn**

The Board adjourned at 11:06am

**The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Klamath County Fire District No. 1 Board of Directors will be at The Center for Occupational Health, 2621 Crosby Ave., on Tuesday, January 18, 2011 at 7:00 PM.**

**BOARD MEMBERS SIGNATURES**

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**PRESIDENT**

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**VICE-PRESIDENT**

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**SECRETARY / TREASURER**

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**DIRECTOR**

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