

SILETZ VALLEY FIRE DISTRICT
Board of Director's Meeting
MINUTES
Tuesday September 15, 2026

CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL:

The Meeting of the Siletz Valley Fire District Board of Directors was called to order at 18:00 by Board of Directors President Rick Olson. Present were Rick Olson, Gerald Schmit, Patti Skauge and Katie Saaty.

Absent was Dixie Morford

Staff in attendance were Fire Chief Dave Lapof, Deputy Chief Daniel Morford - Volunteer Coordinator and Office Administrator Cassie Lorimor.

GUESTS:

Sunshine Keck-Community member and Library Association member
Will Sanning- SVF volunteer
Erik Maiorano- City of Siletz

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA: N/A

PUBLIC COMMENT: N/A

MINUTES:

Approval of minutes from August 18, 2026: Moved by Patti and 2nd by Katie – Motion Passed

CORRESPONDENCE:

- Library Newsletter (also used for Committee Reports)

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- Sunshine presented the Library report. No revised bid for roof. Prices keep going up. They are continuing with fundraising and hope to get enough within two years. They hope to receive some grants from the tribe as well.
- City of Siletz- trunk or treat will be on Bensel Street on Halloween (31st) rain or shine. The city will also be holding a fall/winter decoration contest. Two categories, Residential and Commercial. This will be City Sponsored with some prizes. More info to come and fliers to be put out.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

- Not a lot of income in August and lots of expenses (close to \$100k). This is due to Seasonal/Wildland Staffing.
- Received SAFER Grant monies from July on 9/14/26

- We had some insufficient funds at US Bank. We transferred LGIP funds and maxed out the LOC at \$75,000
- This is traditionally when we run low due to no tax revenue.
- We are good through the end of the month, will need money to get through October and into Nov/tax season.
- We plan to pay off the loan in Nov/Dec. It then needs to rest for 30 days before we can utilize it again.
- Gerry has come up with a new spreadsheet to track more up to date expenses, what has cleared and what has not. Similar to reconciling of a checkbook.
- Going forward, we will plan for this, this time every year.
- Will have Conflag reimbursement to submit for.
- Patti motioned to accept the financial, Katie 2nd. Approved.

STAFF REPORTS

VOLUNTEER ASSOCIATION REPORTS-MINUTES

- Pow Wow went well and parade went well.
- Haunted House Oct 29-31 at the Siletz Grange – Theme “Carnival Freak Show”
- Looking into future fundraising events. Have purchased a couple of tents and chairs.

SAFETY COMMITTEE- MINUTES

- Main station- Still working on getting issues completed, still a work in progress. Working on OSHA 300 and MSDS sheets updated.
- Logsden Station- Gutter has been cleaned out. Working on quotes to get roof leaks fixed and interior sheetrock repaired.
- New septic at Logsden- no longer able to drive around.

VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR REPORT

- Recruitment has stalled. Lots of interest/names, many out of the area. A few new ones have passed on boarding and are participating. Word of mouth continues to be one of the more effective recruitment tools.
- FF1 students are working on task books and once completed, Siletz and Toledo will each have another certified FF1 volunteer.
- Training is drivers training this month. Did not have a set topic for the month, will move back into a set topic each month, after October.

CHIEF REPORT

- Still waiting on FEMA for tender funds. Manufacturer will accept a later payment for the rest (\$26,000) in November.
- Once we get the green light on the plans we can submit for reimbursement for Architect fees.

OLD BUSINESS:

- New Building Annex- Waiting to hear from USDA.
- Logsdon Septic is in. There are plans to build a restroom and shower.
Why do we keep this building? Having this building increases the ISO rating (insurance rating.) We are working towards a seismic grant which will update the building. The ditch is dug for power. The end goal is to be able to staff this building.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Fee recovery schedule- tabled

Regular meeting adjourned at 18:45.

Recess for 5 mins

Executive Session 18:55 to 20:22

Resume regular Session 20:23

MONTHLY BILLS:

- Gerry moved to pay bills, Katie 2nd the motion, motion passed.

NEXT MEETING

- Regular Board Meeting, Tuesday, October 20, 2026 at 6pm

Motion to adjourn by Patti, Katie 2nd the motion. Meeting adjourned at 20:07



President



Secretary