



LEBANON FIRE DISTRICT BOARD MEETING MINUTES

April 8, 2025

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Robert Taylor, Board President | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Joseph Rodondi, Fire Chief |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dale White, Vice President on phone | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> John Tacy, DC of Operations |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Wyatt King, Secretary/Treasurer | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ken Foster, Fire Marshal |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Matt Herb, Member | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mark Fitzwater, DC of Training |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Robbe Boren, Member | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Desiree Barker, Chief Administrative Officer |
| | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Michael Perkins, Recruitment Lt. |

CALL MEETING TO ORDER AT 6:30 PM

FLAG SALUTE

MINUTES:

Agenda item # 1 – Approval of March 11, 2025 Minutes

Member Herb made a motion to approve the minutes as written, Member Boren 2nd the motion.

Vote:

Board President Taylor - Yea

Vice President White - Yea

Secretary Treasurer King - Yea

Member Herb - Yea

Member Boren – Yea

Motion Approved.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

(Limited to 5 minutes per speaker)

There were no citizen comments.

NEW BUSINESS

Agenda Item # 2 – Oregon Fire Chief's Association Board Nominations

Chief appreciates the Board's support toward LFD's legislation involvement.

- Oregon Fire Chiefs Association (OFCA) has vacant positions on their Board of Directors. Chief Rodondi asked for the Board's support to pursue a seat on their Board.

Member Herb made a motion to approve the Fire Chief's seeking a seat on the OFCA Board of Directors, Member Boren 2nd the motion.

Vote:

Board President Taylor - Yea

Vice President White - Yea

Secretary Treasurer King - Yea

Member Herb - Yea

Member Boren – Yea

Motion Approved.

Agenda Item # 3 – Evaluating Revenue Opportunities

Chief Rodondi opened a discussion pertaining to potential revenue generation.

- Chief mentioned our empty offices. There is potential revenue if we rent office space.
- Chief reintroduces annexation as another revenue source.
- Chief asked the Board their intent to pursue a levy in the future. The voting term preference was discussed. A decision is needed 3-months prior to any election, but 5-months would be ideal. LFD staff believes a levy in November 2025 is too soon. Chief discussed the timing required for ballot placement. Chief asked the Board to continue thinking what a future levy would look like. It was agreed that additional professional and positive outreach with a personal impact is needed. The consensus was November 2025 is too soon.

REPORTS**Agenda Item # 4 – Financial Report**

With DC Fitzwater's assistance, CAO Barker introduced the updated website to obtain board agendas and minutes.

- CAO conducted a brief walk-through from log-in to accessing board meeting documents.
- Minutes from a prior month meeting are posted as soon as possible after they have been approved and signed.
- When the packet is prepared and loaded, each board member will receive an email notification that it is ready to be accessed.

Chief Rodondi shared the good news that the GEMT Fee For Service is finally back on track and timely for 2025 reimbursement.

Agenda Item # 5 – Legislative Update(s)

Chief Rodondi provided the legislative update.

- Legislation is near the half-way point where bills begin dropping off.
- EMS modernization is moving forward but is a long-term plan.
- DC Tacy notified the Board on the OR Transportation reinvestment package. If passed, the increased taxes will impact our budget.
- The stringent Oregon rules on sharps container and expired medication handling may be updated. It may fall back to the less stringent Federal mandates.
- Future legislative dates were shared.

Secretary/Treasurer King asked if there was a progress update on the bill that incrementally steps down Senior citizens' tax rates. Chief noted the SDAO doesn't feel that is likely to pass.

Agenda Item # 6 – Non-Represented Staff Address the Board

There were no non-represented staff present to address the board.

Agenda Item # 7 – Union Address the Board

Lt Perkins thanked the board members who interviewed with the Union.

Agenda Item # 8 – Volunteers Address the Board

Volunteer Academy started this week. 7 have entered. 1 will fire corp.

Agenda Item # 9 – Fire Chief Report

Chief Rodondi provided an overview of current happenings.

- Social media is active. Videos are launching. Like, share, and subscribe.
- Please review the website and YouTube videos.
- The Newsletter will be available on-line next week. It's costly to mail, but if signed up we can send newsletters through our website.
- The Oregon Fire Museum has our Seagrave. DC Tacy and Lt Adamson worked out a solution to return it to us. Santiam CPR donated \$500, which was the cost to return it to LFD.

Member Herb suggested the use of social media and YouTube for our burn message or other important messages. It could increase our numbers.

Secretary/Treasurer King suggested short video messages, et.al. to get the LFD's messages out to the public. He added additional social media potential.

Secretary/Treasurer King recommends we review the Enterprise Fleet program closely and utilize caution. After investigating Enterprise Fleet and Ford Fleet, Ford Fleet was selected. Chief Rodondi noted the idea to use a fleet program was just beginning to be evaluated.

Member Boren expressed his thanks for the work the staff and Union do.

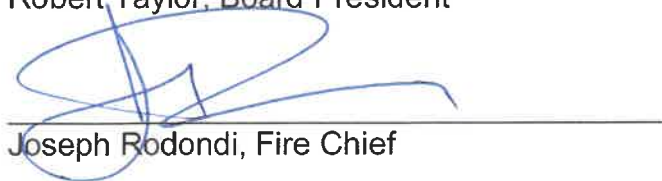
OTHER AGENDA ITEMS

There were no other agenda items.

ADJOURN REGULAR SESSION AT 7:03 pm.



Robert Taylor, Board President



Joseph Rodondi, Fire Chief



Oregon Fire Chiefs Association

Letter of Support to Hold Elective Office

Date: April 08, 2025

To: President, Oregon Fire Chiefs Association

This letter confirms my support for Joseph Rodondi, LFD Fire Chief to seek election to the Board of Directors of the Oregon Fire Chiefs Association (OFCA). If elected, Joseph Rodondi will be provided with the time and support required to fulfill the roles, duties and responsibilities of their elected office.

The following information details the general expectations for OFCA board members:

- There shall be a Board of Directors, which shall consist of the President, 1st Vice President, 2nd Vice President, six Directors, the State Vice President to the WFCOA, and the immediate Past President.
- The membership shall annually elect a 2nd Vice President. This election shall be for 4-years. The elected member shall serve year one as the 2nd Vice President, year two as the 1st Vice President, year three as President, and year 4 as the Past President.
- The six Director positions are each 3-year terms. The membership will select two Directors each year at the Spring Conference.
- The State Vice President to the WFCOA shall serve a 3-year term.
- OFCA Board of Directors and those seeking election to the board must be in good standing as determined by the Fit for Duty Committee.
- There shall be a conference of the Association at a location and time approved by the Board of Directors.
- There shall be at least 10 Board of Directors meetings each year to be held at locations as approved by the Board of Directors.
- The Board of Directors shall transact all business of the Association not otherwise provided for between conferences and provide topics, papers, reports and all other business not otherwise provided for at the Spring Conference.

Signature of Candidate's Employer

Date