

**Crooked River Ranch RFPD
6971 SW Shad Rd
Terrebonne, OR 97760-9250**

**Public Budget Hearing
May 17, 2018**

A public budget hearing of the Crooked River Ranch Rural Fire Protection District Board of Directors took place on Thursday, May 17, 2018 at 6:00 pm at the Crooked River Ranch Fire District Fire Station, located at 6971 SW Shad Road, Crooked River Ranch Oregon. The purpose of this meeting was to discuss the budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2018 as approved by the Crooked River Ranch RFPD Budget Committee.

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1. Call to Order by Director Bengtson at 6:00 pm. The flag salute was performed and roll call was taken by Director Oakley. Directors Bengtson, Dille, Meredith and Oakley were in attendance. Director Kirk was excused from the hearing. Also present at the hearing, Fire Chief, Harry Ward, Assistant Fire Chief, Mark Wilson and Administrative Assistant, Dana Schulke. Assistant Fire Chief, Sean Hartley was excused from the meeting. Members of the public in attendance, Tina Wilson, Patricia Hayes and Kay Norberg.
2. Presentation of the Budget. Fire Chief Harry Ward stated that the only thing outstanding to finalize was the numbers for employee benefits. We have secured our figures on the benefits and have left our figures on the budget the same. The employees will be paying a higher deductible for the 2018/2019 fiscal year and the District will reimburse the employee for the difference should they exceed it. With this option we are under about 11% compared to last year's numbers. Basically the District is providing a health reimbursement account for any amount over their deductible. Director Dille asked if the Board could receive updates on any Employee Benefit matters. Chief Ward stated he will inform the Board as necessary.
3. Comments from the Public. Patricia Hayes asked if the Budget Message was going to be corrected as the numbers on some of the attachments were not adding up. Chief Ward stated that it has been corrected and it will be available at next month's Board meeting. Director Dille stated that he has a concern over the shortage of unappropriated available funds for operating and personnel costs. \$200K is not going to cover us for the next four months especially for personnel costs. Director Bengtson reviewed the available funds the District has to utilize for operations. Chief Ward stated we are not spending any money right now, other than in our Vehicle/Maintenance line items for regular scheduled maintenance. Director Dille stated that we should have a line item in the budget for any funds and interest that we may have to borrow against should there be a shortage of funds. Chief Ward stated that we should be ok and won't have to include any borrowed funds in the budget.
4. Discussion/Comments/Actions from the Board of Directors – none.
5. Adjournment of Budget Hearing by Director Bengtson at 6:11pm

Respectfully,
Dana Schulke
Administrative Assistant