

**Minutes for Joint Special Board Meeting on December 7, 2020 6:30 PM**

**Sheridan Fire District- 230 SW Mill St. Sheridan, OR 97378\***

**SW Polk Fire District- 275 Main St. Rickreall, OR 97371\***

**West Valley Fire District- 825 NE Main St. Willamina, OR 97396\***

\*Meeting was held virtually via RingCentral Meetings and each board was present at their own main station.

Board Members Present			Board Members Absent
<u><b>Sheridan Fire District</b></u> Tammy Heidt Carol Harlan Scot Breeden Parrish Van Wert Brice Ingram	<u><b>SW Polk Fire District</b></u> Rod Watson Keith Moore Bruce Sigloh (V) Frank Pender Bob Davis (V)	<u><b>West Valley Fire District</b></u> Rick Mishler Gary Brooks Roy Whitman Chris Greenhill Connie Brown	None
			<b>Administration Present</b>
			Fred Hertel Mariah Prescott Damon Schulze (V) Les Thomas (V)

GENERAL BUSINESS		
<b>Call to Order</b>		President Tammy Heidt, Sheridan Fire District, opened the meeting at 6:35 pm. Each agency has a quorum of directors and which allows deliberation, decision making and will take public comment per the posted agenda. Pledge of allegiance was recited.
<b>ESCI Cooperative Services Study Presentation</b>		Presentation given by Sheldon Gilbert regarding the data collected by the ESCI Yamhill County Cooperative Services Study.
<b>ESCI Cooperative Services Study Discussion</b>		One thing not addressed in the study was how surrounding agencies join the cooperative services. This should be kept in mind as the districts work through the phases to allow expansion during the process.  Mishler asks why it is not recommended to go to one county wide right district right now? Gilbert explains that bite size pieces decreases the chance of failure for all agencies if some agencies fail to pass votes or chose to no longer be involved.  Davis asks what the estimated success rate would be for the cooperative services consolidation would be. Gilbert states he expects that because of the work Sheridan, SW Polk, and West Valley have already done, he expects they have a high probably of success. While the other agencies are not as far in the long in the process, they still have a good chance at success.
<b>WVFD Adjournment</b>		<b>Motion:</b> Connie Brown <b>Second:</b> Gary Brooks Adjourn meeting at 7:33 PM. <b>Motion passes unanimously.</b>
<b>ESCI Cooperative Services Study Discussion - continued</b>		Moore asks Gilbert for one strength and one challenge of these three districts.  Gilbert states he things the strength is that the three districts are already working towards this goal. The one challenge will be finances.
<b>SFD and SW Polk Adjournment</b>		<b>Motion:</b> Tammy Heidt <b>Second:</b> Carol Harlan Adjourn meeting at 7:39 PM. <b>Motion passes unanimously.</b>

Upcoming meetings/events:

- 12-10-2020 Joint Board Meeting

In our Board Meetings, we agree to...

- Begin and conclude meetings on time
- Be on time and come prepared to participate
- Be respectful, including:
  - Keeping our cell phones silent
  - Listening without interrupting when someone else is speaking
  - Allowing for all to contribute to the discussion
  - Honoring the Chair
- Follow Robert's Rules of Order for parliamentary procedures
- Honor confidentiality
- Have fun!