

# Mosier Fire District Special Board Meeting

**Monday, May 12, 2025**

**Call to order at 2002**

**Attendance:**

**Board Members:** Carol Goter, Kris McNall, Todd Reeves

**Volunteer:** Al Soresstad

**Public:** Tim Hudson, Rob Garrett

**Agenda additions or corrections:** Statement by Goter to be added to Business

**Comments from the public:** Al Soresstad expressed his preference to find a fire chief or paid staff person and take more time before partnering up with MCFR. He would like to see someone with experience in that role. He is also concerned about the removal of the water tender from Station 12. Although it would be replaced with a larger water tender in Station 13, he believes it would leave Mosier more vulnerable.

Reeves commented that he has asked Connor McKibben to find out what the volunteers would like.

**Business:**

Statement from Goter suggesting that the board have someone negotiate on behalf of Mosier, someone who has relevant qualifications and background, and suggested hiring one of the candidates on a short-term basis to assist MFD in negotiating the partnership.

**Discuss a short-term replacement for Chief Carlson:**

McNall suggests that Connor McKibben could up his hours and duties (including authorization to spend money) and Connor is willing to do that. She also suggested hiring a volunteer chief, paying that person a monthly stipend to perform duties of a chief.

Board will retain hiring authority, but Connor can prepare paperwork.

**Motion** by McNall to give Connor \$1K spending authority; seconded by Goter, approved by Goter, McNall and Reeves.

**Motion** by McNall to increase Connor's hours to 40/week if we do not have a volunteer chief or someone else hired by that time, and that time may be reduced if someone else is hired. Seconded by Carol, approved by Goter, McNall and Reeves.

**Motion** by McCall to give Connor the title of "Administrative Firefighter", seconded by Carol, approved by Goter, McNall and Reeves.

**Motion** by McCall to authorize Todd Reeves to sign paperwork for hiring seasonal firefighters, seconded by Goter, approved by Goter, McNall and Reeves.

**Entered Executive Session at 2045**

Executive session pursuant to ORS 192.660(2)(i) "To review and evaluate the employment related performance of the Chief Executive Officer of any public body, a public officer, employee or staff member who does not request an open hearing."

Executive session pursuant to ORS 192.660(2)(a) "To consider the employment of a public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent."

**Reconvene Regular Session at 2113**

No decisions.

**Comments from the public:** None

**Adjournment at 2113**

*Next board meeting will be by Zoom only on May 28, 2025, at 7:00 p.m.*