SW POLK FIRE DISTRICT

RESOLUTION 2021-22-02

Redefining Basic Life Support (BLS) and Advanced Life Support (ALS) services within SW Polk Fire District

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of SW Polk Fire District is responsible for establishing service levels; and

WHEREAS, ORS 478.260 (3) authorizes the Board of Directors to operate emergency medical services; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Board of Directors to provide both BLS and ALS services to the citizens of SW Polk Fire District; and

WHEREAS, the SW Polk Board of Directors directed staff to acquire, license and staff a BLS/ALS transport capable vehicle for providing EMS services at a previous board meetings, and

WHEREAS, staff has acquired and put into service the licensed vehicle and staff, along with licensing SW Polk Fire District as a BLS/ALS transport capable agency through the Oregon Health Authority, and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Board of Directors that the Paramedics and EMTs of SW Polk Fire District provide patient oversight and care until the patient is transferred to a transporting agency or to the admitting hospital at the discretion of the SW Polk Fire Person in Charge (PIC)";

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of SW Polk Fire District hereby redefines Basic Life Support and Advanced Life Support services within SW Polk Fire District as follows:

Section 1 - Definitions

- A. Basic Life Support (BLS) the maximum functions that may be assigned to an EMR or EMT in accordance with OAR 847-035-0030 (Scope of Practice)
- B. Advanced Life Support (ALS) the maximum functions that may be assigned to an AEMT, EMT Intermediate or Paramedic in accordance with OAR 847-035-0030(Scope of Practice).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this takes effect immediately.

APPROVED by the Board of Directors this January 13, 2022.

Rod Watson, Board President

Bob Davis, Board Secretary