

Minutes WFPA
Board of Directors Meeting

July 14th, 2018

8:45 a.m. Executive Session

9:18 a.m. Begin General Session
The quorum has been met.

Approve Agenda

Johnny Ohanesian motions to approve agenda and Clyde McKay seconds the motion. Agenda has been approved.

Public Comments (questions will be addressed at the end of the meeting)

Victoria Morhous - Something has been brought up a few times and she has heard from a number of people, and she would like to make it clear, – when she is asking questions during the WFPA board meetings, she is solely talking for herself and not speaking for the WCAA. It is coming solely from Victoria. She speaks for her self and no one else.

WCAA (Bud Mellor) – Have a Sundae Saturday coming up - August 04th, from 1pm to 3pm – would like to welcome Karen to join and sell WFPA apparel.

Last month there was a question about if exec session needs minutes. Legal advice concluded if we are a non-profit and have a meeting, minutes are needed, but since we have discussions that do not require action we do not need to provide minutes.

President Report

We did to have a discussion that Roger wanted to look at buying a Zole back up machine and the consensus of the board was it was a good idea to purchase. Currently under research and is in the budget for purchase.

Secretary Report

Minutes were posted and sent out.

Johnny motions to approve Secretary Report and Dan seconds the motion.

Treasurer Report

We are sitting pretty good – have a total \$23K of income. From Walker Day, we made around \$15K. In checking and savings we have just under \$220K. In current assets we have around \$226K, with a total grand total of assets of \$334K. New roof was installed and paid for.

Budget – When we did the budget we did not have allocation for the new roof. We will have funds for Chipper day if needed, which is not in the budget. The Zole were included in expense budget, but not as a separate line item. There are some adjustments we need to look at making and be aware of. We have had some more income that we normally do from things such as equipment rental, which was also not in the budget that could help balance things out. In general the operating budget is relatively stable.

Johnny motions to approve Treasurer Report and Clyde McKay seconds the motion

Fire Chief Report

Calls

Three calls; medical, structure/wildfire, public assist

Training

Drafting with Patrol 80, AAR for Tree House Fire

Fleet

Tires replaced on Engine 86, having some difficulty getting trucks into CAFMA for service, one the mechanics got injured which put them behind.

Facilities

Damage to the mailbox wall. Need to address fixing it. Bud will help get it repaired.

Personnel

Station manning winding down.

Have given out most of the gift cards and the group was thrilled.

Communications

No report.

Yavapai County Fire Chiefs

No report.

Fire Season

Despite the two fires, the season has not been bad. The snow in May and then the rain on Walker Day lead to fuel moisture and ERC readings being relatively favorable.

Items to discuss

Disposition of Patrol 81.

Arizona State Fire School – Scholarship for this is available, would like WFPA to cover one night hotel – have a few people who would like to attend.

Johnny motioned to let Roger do what he needs to do with the Patrol 81 unit, either equipment change, trade in or sell if needed – Scott Second.

Johnny motions to approve Fire Chief Report and Clyde seconds the motion

Committee Reports

Old Business

Fire wise

County has approved to cover costs for operator, loader and grinder – we need to come up with cost of hauling. WCAA will put in \$3,100 for this and if WCFA can put in the additional it would be appreciated – Dates - Sep 03rd thru Oct 12th. May have noticed – trees that are browning out – have

confirmation there is a bug issue, so need to look at cutting them down and getting them out of the forest. There has been a bunch of them taken out already. Do not bring them to the chip and haul – get them out of here.

Fire Fighter Appreciation Day

Will be held on September 02nd from 4-6pm – pig roast, as always, will be our 6th annual Appreciation Day. We have been a fire department for 51 years. Johnny will reach out if help is needed.

Action Tracker

Scott Plumer put something together to help us with staying on top of things. Look at setting it up as a shared folder on Google drive for Board Members, then reviewed at Board Meetings. Scott will take the lead on this.

Forming Second Entity

Bill Curosh has not taken any action on this yet. How do we want to set up the assets – cash and building as one, and equipment as a second? Johnny mentioned in the 51 years of being a fire department we have been sued once. Our insurance covers a lot for us. Do we need to do this, set up a separate entity, and have a second board? Board consensus is we should think about it a little more then re-visit it in the next Board Meeting. Johnny will talk to insurance carrier a little more as well and so some research.

New Wifi / Cameras equipment

Will be working on installing new Wifi system today with range extender, and cameras will be going in over the next month.

Road Side Event Signs

Scott and Conrad looking at new options that we can easily change out.

New Business

Annual Meeting Minutes

Minutes are complete and will be posted on the website.

Johnny motions to send out the minutes and Clyde seconds the motion.

Community announcements

None outside of what has already been discussed.

Public forum

Victoria – missed last months meeting – got back after meeting was pleased to see minutes were done promptly.

Bob Verne Tocker

Question on Fire Wise sign – it is great – noticed during day can not see the pointer when it is on the extreme warning – Is there a way to rectify this?

Answer – We are aware of this and it will be painted to fix the problem.

Bob Mesa

Q - Too many people in area giving info out on the fires.

A – Can not control FB and other areas where things are communicated. If you want current up to date information – you can get this from the Walker Fire updates as they are sent out.

Bud Mellor – From WCAA – don't thank the board enough for allowing the group to use the facilities as much.

10:33 a.m. Adjournment

Johnny motions to adjourn, Clyde seconds, and the meeting is adjourned.

Note: An audio recording of this meeting is available on the WFPA website.