

WFPA Board Meeting Minutes for 5/14/2011

Five Board members were in attendance. Bill Loughrige attended via teleconference. Board member Paul Nies resigned effective April 25, 2011. Chief Loughrige was not in attendance due to a family medical situation.

9:00 a.m. Meeting called to order by President John Horvat.

John Horvat introduced Mayer Fire Chief Glenn Brown who went through the Consultant's Report that he had compiled. **Chief Glenn Brown** stated that his goal was to take us from where we are to where we should be. The divisiveness of the community will make moving forward very hard. "Set The Big Decisions Aside" – District; He's not saying that it is good or bad, but it's too divisive, so set it aside. "Wildlands Department" – We are not a wildlands Fire Department, we are a full service agency, meaning structure and medical as well as wildlands. "Policies" – It is more important to have policies on what not to do than on what to do. "WFD Fire Chief Bob Loughrige" – Bob was open about his lack of experience. Glenn believes that Bob can successfully run and manage the Fire Department. "Board" – Should have guidelines as to what its role is. Some people that he interviewed think that the Board oversteps its authority, while some people don't think that way. "Cooperation" – Glenn stated that the WFD should expand its level of cooperation with neighboring Fire Departments. "Recommendations" – The community is too small to have divisive groups. Organizations need to understand everything cannot go 'your way'. He recommended that we partner with another fire agency for at least one year to assist us with writing SOPs / SOGs. The Mayer Fire District is willing to be that partner.

President's Report: This is the final meeting of this Board. He thanked the members of the Board for their hard work and dedication this past year. John announced that Director Paul Nies and he is now the Fire Chief for the Central Yavapai Fire District. John thanked Paul for his valuable contributions to the WFPA as our only professional fire fighter.

Secretary's Report: Read and accepted.

Treasurer's Report: Read and Accepted.

Motion # 051411a: To approve expenditures over \$500 and to authorize the Treasurer to make payments accordingly.

1. Approve payment made under President's emergency authority to Sir Speedy of \$1,635.65 by way of debit card on 4/28/2011 for the Spring WFPA newsletter.
2. Note of payment to M&I credit card processing by way of bill pay in the amount of \$4,660.18 on 4/4/2011. Individual purchases exceeding \$500 but Board approved previously were related to firefighter and firefighting equipment totaling \$4315.48.
3. Note payment to Robert Curry in the amount of \$8,000, check number 4164 dated 4/4/2011. Purchase was Board approved in March for the CAFS "Snuffer" Unit. Motion made by Terry Piske – Seconded by Mark Keegan

Motion Approved: 5 Yea - 0 Nay.

Motion # 051411b: To approve modification of the previously Board approved projected equipment, medical and implementation expenditures totaling \$6,230, to an increased amount of \$10,000. The increase is requested to include two additional volunteer's equipment, and implementation costs (from 6 to 8), increased equipment costs since the original proposed pricing obtained and to fully budget for up to \$400 for medical examinations for all 8 volunteers if requested by the volunteer (8 x \$400 = \$3,200). SCBA funds expended to date are \$2,020.20 and do not include and medical expense.

Motion made by Greg Stava – Seconded by Terry Piske **Motion Approved: 4 Yea – 1 Nay.**

Chief's Report: Presented by Asst. Fire Chief Roger Nusbaum; There were no calls for the month. Water Tender 81 had brake work performed, bought four new foam nozzles. Cross training was done with the Mayer Fire Department. On 6/4 cross training will be done with the Glendale Fire Department with their brush truck. Severity patrols have started and are being done Saturday, Sunday & Monday. PAUWICK's Nick Angiolillo asked that the WFPA issue burn permits to residents.

Foster Children's Program: Victoria Morhous will collect swimsuits of all kinds & sizes. These will be distributed to foster children by Catholic Services. She has 37 already.

Ballot Counting at the Annual Meeting: Election ballot counters are Bob Corbin, Myra Nathenson, Toddie Hauk, Shari Sumner, Susan Naugle and Keith Barwick. Board Secretary, Terry Piske will oversee the count.

Voter Eligibility Committee: Verne Tocker, Joyce Hyman, Gary Honneycutt, Deb Honeycutt, Terry Piske (Chair). Eligible voters will be those whose names appear on the Yavapai County Assessor's list of property owners, whose property lies within the three mile WFD service radius, and who are not covered by another fire protection agency. **Meeting Adjourned at 11:15 a.m.**