

11/13/21; WFPA 11/13 Board Mtg

Attendees: Roger Nusbaum, Lance Gilbert, Rudy Erdman, Bill Loughrige , Shawn Murphy & Dan Dougherty

- Roger: Jon L found a type 3 truck for structure fire for \$159k
- Buying this postpone buying a Type 1 truck
- If we send this type 3 truck out next summer, we can recoup most of the cost of buying the truck
- Our bank balance is \$240K w/ \$120 more coming; Once we pay labor, we'd have \$40k left
- Roger wants a type 3
- Brush 80 lives in Potato Patch
- Type 1 (86) is getting old it needs to be parked here because for of ISO visits
- Rudy will provide estimates for wd vs metal garage; Roger still needs to check a couple things
- Roger stated that we may not always have an engine boss available .
- Look at expanding this fire house into the storage room: wait to hear from Roger
- Move this truck discussion into gen mtg
- Roger's report;

Calls

5 calls; three medical, one tree fire, one illegal burn

Training

Water Tender flow tests, scene lighting & medical transports.

Fleet

Chains purchased for Squad 81 and we preemptively put a bucket of cinders in R81.

Facilities

No report.

Personnel

Our last firefighter came back from an offdistrict assignment as a single resource 11/5.

PRCC

No Report

Yavapai County Chiefs Association

Forest Service weather is predicting a La Nina winter which would mean warmer dryer.

We will be participating in the Prescott Christmas Parade on Dec 4th.

PAWUIC is on the verge of shutting down. There have not been any new people that have come in to take over running the organization. This is important. We put a notice on the department Facebook page to encourage people to look into volunteering with them.

Other

The situation with Lifeline and CAFMA has escalated dramatically to include investigations and local news (Fox 10 & ABC15) coverage. Lifeline appears to no have enough ambulances, personnel or both to meet the number of calls. I explain in greater detail. CAFMA is fighting the good fight but is at the same time very publicly poking a hornet's nest. We have not been adversely affected by this probably because we have fewer calls and there is already a greater distance for Lifeline to reach us versus a patient in town. We have a procedure in place for how and when we would transport a patient but have not had to use it thus far.

We are covered under ARS 362208 Section B: This chapter does not prevent any individual, law enforcement officer, public agency or member of a city, town, fire district or volunteer fire department from rendering on-site emergency medical care or, if, in terms of the existing medical situation, it is deemed not advisable to await the arrival of an ambulance, from transporting emergency medical patients to a hospital or an emergency receiving facility, except that if any patient objects on religious grounds, that patient shall not be administered any medical treatment or be transported to a hospital or an emergency receiving facility.

Off District Accounting

It looks like Brush 80 brought in \$113,262.50. With payroll considerations applied and previous analysis, the department likely netted \$84,946.87-\$90,610.00, 75%-80% of the gross. The ALS bag brought in \$10,965 and the two BLS bags brought in \$26,100. DFFM deposits still to come in are Summit Trail \$48,672.38, Dixie Fire \$42,973.04 and KNP Complex \$29,104.80 for a total of \$120,750.22.

Radios

The BK Radios we ordered during the summer finally came in so we are paying out \$4282.00. These are for the wildland program, not what we use locally on our incidents. Locally we use Kenwoods and Teras which are much cheaper and we have a need for more of locally used radios. We need a total of five radios plus a charger. The radios could be as much as \$400 (they could be less) and the cost of the extra will be nominal.

- Dec 4th x-mas parade; we're in it
- Started gen mtg @ 9:27A
- New radios arrived per Roger
- Motion to increase budget \$2000 for radios: Rudy made the motion, Shawn seconded
- Hyman Roth said "This is the life we've chosen"
- We are now transporting patients: no code 3 (sirens) though. ARS allows this and considering the response time for the 2 ambulance services, it may be beneficial
- If we do this, we call the hospital, they tell us where to take the patient
- Firefighters work at a given rate, our reimbursement is somewhat less than our expenses but there are other financial considerations that offset; labor + truck is lump sum line item;
- Keegan gets paid by us. Q is are we getting reimbursed for his workman comp etc.
- We have 1 Fire Fighter who just goes out without a bag
- We pay employee ½ of Fica/workers comp
- Unemployment insurance isn't covered; but need to check with Inek; this isn't included in worker's comp; Lance to check with Inek and report back
- Rudy moved to accept Fire Chief report, Lance 2nd
- Rudy moved to accept secretary report without reading, Dan 2nd
- Tier the dumpster fees; yearly, if you sign up late in the year you only get short period of time
- Maybe have a shopping list of dumpster fees; resolved to leave alone for a while
- Lance got another key for the P.O. box
- Treasurer report
- Got spare PO Box key. Still working on transferring authority.
- Prepared Income/Expense report for the Wildland Program
- Donations for this month were \$2,602
- Expenses for this month were \$3,733.18 not including payroll
- WTCS - \$16,423.39 cash on hand.
- Rudy motioned for acceptance; Dan seconded
- Our payroll is in one location per Lance
- Look into getting a snow-cat. Remodel an ATV to have tracks; study further. Let John Lee make a presentation. Look into getting a grant for this. Lance to check with National Wildlife Federation and Loren about grants

Meeting adjourned @10:45A