



Minutes – WFPA

Board of Directors Meeting – February 14th, 2026

8:45am – Executive Session

Board members present for the meeting – Clyde McKay, Bill Loughrige, Roger Nusbaum, Marti Mahoney, Louie Reale.

9:15am – Begin General Session

- The Quorum has been met.

APPROVE AGENDA -

Bill Loughrige – Review and discussion on Meeting rules requires a query does anyone have changes or additions to the Agenda? No response. Agenda Adopted.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – none

PRESIDENT’S REPORT – Clyde McKay

No news or updates to report.

SECRETARY’S REPORT – Marti Mahoney

Clyde McKay - Minutes from December presented to Board. No changes or additions needed. Minutes Adopted by the Board.

TREASURER’S REPORT – Lance Gilbert

1. New Brush 80 level 1 inspection done and we should receive title and license plate soon.
We still need to follow up with VFIS and add to insurance. (Lance needs to forward information policy to Bill Loughrige for new truck).
2. Completed county exemption form and sent in for 2026.
3. Downloaded W2, 1099s from accountant
4. Still working on Bill Pay approval in Ramp.
5. No progress on the QCO AZ Tax program.
6. Donation cards are done thanks to Marti and a big savings thru Vista print. (Approx 1/3 usual cost)
7. Donations this month were \$10,220.00 not including \$16,000.00 in the form of grants
8. Expenses for this month were \$12,562.54 not including Payroll, Wildland and Ramp charges of \$4,706.53
9. WTCS cash on hand is \$56,252.35

OTHER -

I had an idea about a volunteer drive where people are invited after a board meeting to tour the station and see some of the fundraising equipment etc. We could create a form for them to provide contact info and maybe some of the tasks or events they could help with. During the tour we could explain what it takes to set up and do events. We could also explain some of the Board tasks to see if that generates any interest. It would also give us an opportunity to evaluate the potential volunteers. This discussion continued and will be scheduled for March 21st (Station Clean up Day). Promoted thru community emails and on FB.

Clyde McKay- Large donation notification received. The paperwork is in progress and Clyde will have information this month. Discussion on where to earmark those funds (i.e. water tender, new building, equipment). Roger is also expecting news on the Grant request regarding the new building.

Motion to approve Treasurer's report by Bill Loughrige. Louie Reale seconds. All in favor.

FIRE CHIEF REPORT – Roger Nusbaum

Calls

One medical call.

Training

Extrication and EMS skills.

Fleet

The new Brush 80 is in service. It is scheduled to go for graphics on Feb 20.

Engine 86 now has all new tires.

Personnel

We have had a couple of firefighters move on but we have a couple more new recruits who hopefully will want to stick with it.

It is now pack-testing season. At a planning meeting, it was discussed that it may become acceptable to test for VO2 Max. There would be pros and cons to this for us. The answer might be to allow firefighters to choose which one they do.

Facilities

No report.

PRCC

No report.

Other

The Rural Fire Capacity Grant will be submitted in the next day or two.

The Bolger Grant closed on Feb 2 so hopefully we will hear shortly.

County Chiefs Association

The group is up and running again after a more than two-year hiatus. The group voted to disperse the funds equally among the departments with budgets of less than \$1 million. I believe it will be about \$1500 to us which might be designated for training needs. Roger will review with the Board when he receives notification and for decision on funds.

Discussion:

Questions to Roger regarding the Board, or separate Committee team assisting him and the crew when they are on calls. Currently there is no station lead, or person set up to reach out to a team to request water, drinks, snacks or food on longer calls. Roger will get with his crew to review the need, contact person selection, and ideas for this moving forward.

Louie Reale and Clyde McKay will be the first contacts for the Assist Team reaching out to Marti Mahoney, Shelley McKay (and others as we build the team) when the needs arise, items to pick up, and getting these to the crews on site for calls.

Roger has all of the hardware, the phones and the mini for the TMobile. It is not yet installed. He will get the Starlink set up / app. Scheduled for the next month.

Bill Loughrige makes the Motion to accept the Fire Chief's report. Louie Reale seconds. All in favor.

COMMITTEE REPORTS –

Trash – Louie Reale / Clyde McKay

Bill Good is still working on setting up and notifying new subscribers.

Louie replaced a missing/ broken lock. There are still extras in the station as needed.

Louie is scheduling the moving of the dumpsters to the West side of the parking area so that they are sitting in the sun which may help with the 'frozen' lock conditions. At that time he is planning on general clean up of the dumpster area; and installing the steel plate over the well head.

Station Maintenance – Louie Reale

- See Trash comments.
- Roger noted that one of the GFI's flipped in the station last month. Louie will be checking.

Insurance –

Lance Forwarded the WTCS Trash insurance to Marti Mahoney. Bill Loughrige asked for this to also be forwarded to him. Marti has uploaded that information into our Cloud account.

Bill Loughrige will be getting the information on the new truck from Lance to get insurance coverage set up.

Bill Loughrige verified our current insurance has us covered, including the management / liability.

FUND RAISING – Clyde McKay

Lance is working on the Charitable Tax Fund raiser set up option and information that can be shared with the community down the road.

Discussion on options for other Endowment fund accounts brought to Clyde's attention from a resident. Due to the need for funds to be accessible and not locked in to accounts for length of time, the Board felt our current Money accounts, Fidelity meets our needs better.

Website – Clyde McKay

Roger's Chief education videos have all been uploaded to the Webpage now.

Grants –

No change

Improvements – Louie Reale

New building update – Louie continues to work on options, plans and information for the new building site location. Clyde references an early 2002 Master Site plan for the WFPA station and is this possible to use for the new building information? Louie will be reviewing.

Merchandise – Marti Mahoney / Clyde McKay

- Part of the Merch Team met on Jan 24th to complete a "year end" inventory form 2025. This information was provided to Karen Gonzeles, Clyde McKay and Marti Mahoney for the 2026 apparel order determination. The team also went thru stock to pull old items for Clearance.
- Apparel order has been released by Karen to BetterPrinting. Glasses, Tumblers, smaller merch items have been released by Marti. All items due by early March.
- Scheduled Meeting for April 11th – with Merch Team (as many as can attend) to go over 2026 event schedule, POS system / training, stock items and pricing.
- Clyde and Lance will be meeting this month to review POS system and get the new hardware.

Firewise / Chip & Haul –

Sadly we lost Loren Bykerk this last month. Clyde reached out to Carla Keegan with the Board sympathies and to see how WFPA can assist. Carla will be reviewing any information that Loren left regarding Chip & Haul, grants, etc and getting back to Clyde regarding the information and the next joint meeting for C&H with WCAA and WFPA.

Harry Manning will be the Coordinator between the two Boards. Information is needed regarding the County, Grants, JT Septic arrangements, which is what Carla is trying to resolve.

OLD BUSINESS –

Community Education –

Roger will continue providing new education videos. These will be added to our webpage. The work for the new signs / community information will be scheduled for March.

Station Clean up –

Scheduled Spring clean up for Station – MARCH 21st

Plans to clean kitchen area, equipment, take inventory, general station clean up.

Merch team will be working on adding the new stock as it arrives.

Promotion for Volunteers will also be scheduled that day to encourage community involvement and meeting the Board, information, etc.

Red Signs –

Louie Reale and Clyde McKay are working on the design for the new signs. This is also scheduled for March 21st.

NEW BUSINESS –

New BOD Officer – Clyde McKay

Bill Loughrige makes the motion to accept interim member Bill Keena to fill the open spot thru May 2026. Louie seconds the motion. All in favor Aye.

Bill K will update us on his decision to run for the Board position on the May election.

Spring Newsletter - Clyde McKay / Marti Mahoney

Newsletter work up will start in March by Marti. Deadline for Board review early April. Deadline for mail out mid-April. Marti will be reaching out to the Board for reports, photos, Ads/renewals. Need to revise information on the event Calendar. Add information on Walker Day.

Decision agreed to use VistaPrint moving forward on printing.

Decision agreed to move forward to delete the need for envelopes.

Business Advertising – Clyde will reach out in March for this.

Public Comments – none

11:11 – Adjournment

Bill Loughrige makes the Motion to adjourn and Louie Reale seconds. All in favor and we are adjourned.

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