



**Minutes – WFPA
Board of Directors Meeting – May 9th, 2026**

8:45am – Executive Session

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

9:15am – Begin General Session

The Quorum has been met.

Approve Agenda –

Clyde McKay – motion to approve the Agenda. Bill Loughrige approves. So Carried

Public Comments – None

President's Report – Clyde McKay

We are looking ahead to start our busy season with the Board holding many of the “jobs” for the events. We need to be on the lookout for volunteers and designate some of the duties. And to be careful about taking on too much for any one person. Watch out for each other over the summer events.

We are committed to all the events advertised for 2026. We should probably re-evaluate events and activities for 2027 and possibly cut some things back. Board member duties (i.e. insurance, financials, all support for Fire Department and Roger) will continue to be our priority.

Discussion about consideration for hiring a paralegal to assist Lance Gilbert, Roger Nusbaum and all our accounting and insurance responsibilities.

Secretary's Report – Marti Mahoney

Clyde McKay – Minutes from April have been sent to the Board. No changes are necessary. Minutes adapted. Bill Loughrige makes the motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes. All approved.

Treasurer's Report – Lance Gilbert

1. Withdrew our application for AZ QCO due to not meeting requirements.
2. Ramp cash back \$965.43 applied to April payment.
We have two (2) Square accounts = Original, and now one for Merchandise
3. VFIS 4th installment paid, refund from old B80 was applied.
4. Pancake Breakfast - \$1519 in donations, \$640.28 in expenses, Net \$878.72
Merchandise sales were \$2347.50
5. 2026/2027 Budget Proposed changes, Proposed would increase operating budget by \$5000 plus additional accounting fees. Estimated operating expenses for 2026 \$150k - \$155k.

4100 Contributions, increase by \$5000
4230 Merchandise Sales, Increase by \$5000
4270 Walker Day income, Decrease by \$5000

5020 Bookkeeping, TBD, currently working with Accountant on review of duties
5135 Newsletter expense, Decrease by \$5000
5025 Chip N Haul, Set Budget at \$15000

6. Donations this month were \$5,555
 7. Expenses for this month were \$8,981.03 not including Payroll, Wildland and Ramp charges of \$0
 8. WTCS cash on hand is \$50,771.17
- Note BestPick notified us of a 10% increase starting in April.

Motion made by Lance Gilbert to approve the transfer of \$100k in to our Fidelity account as the new building is currently in hold pattern. Bill Loughrige approves. Louie Seconds. All approved.

Chief's Report – Roger Nusbaum

Calls

One medical call.

Training

Two wildland scenarios.

Fleet

Brush 80 had its first out of area assignment. It was only three and half days on the Hazen Fire near Buckeye but all went well.

If we had not purchased the new pickup, the pay rate for the old Brush 80 would have been \$47/hour versus \$98/hour. This is a big benefit for the new Brush Truck.

Personnel

The group generally seems eager to man the station on the weekends. Not all shifts are taken but most are. One of the three who went to the Hazen Fire on Brush 80 was one of our new recruits.

Facilities

No report.

PRCC

There is some sort of budget deficit at the state level that affects all dispatch centers in the state. There is funding from the state that helps cover the cost of maintaining equipment. It looks like the PRCC partners will need to cover the shortfall. The estimate for WFPA is \$55.51. The number is prorated by the number of calls. We have very few, but the city departments will have to pay close to \$20,000 each.

The point is not the \$55 but this is a reminder of continuing increased complexity possibly impacting us. I can't recall this sort of political/fiscal issue trickling down to impact us. This one was cheap, the next one which might be workman's comp may not be as cheap.

We are in the process of switching our dispatching process to incorporating specialized pagers. There is a long-complicated explanation if anyone wants more details but for now this is an inexpensive solution.

Discussion -

Clyde McKay requests that the crew that is on wildland calls park their vehicles inside the station if possible. The vehicles parked out front give the wrong impression to community that it is ok to park at the station. Roger will speak with his team.

Chief report approved by Bill Loughrige. Louie Reale seconds. All in favor approved.

COMMITTEE REPORTS –

TRASH – Bill Good

We have been receiving more contracts as the summer residents start coming in. He is processing as quickly as possible. The Comment Notice on Webpage was added for "72 Hour Processing".

He's been filtering thru calls for people that are having problems. Most is "user error". And he has met people at the station to assist.

MAINTENANCE – Louie Reale

Louie is still trying to get responses from Yavapai on variance , permits, etc so we have a continued delay with a new building at the station.

Discussion for other options if the variance is not approved by the County include:

- Renovation to the station to enlarge for longer and newer trucks
- Renovation of the office area / bathroom to accept a truck. And adding a 'portable building' to contain the office, merchandise, workout areas. Garage door size needs to be considered and length for parking of 22-28 ft overall.

Clyde will be reaching out to his Contractor contact regarding the portable building option and site location. And what is required for a permit.

- Renovation of office area would require a reno on the bathroom. Possibly option for second ½ bath.

INSURANCE – Bill Loughrige

Bill continues to be in contact with Wyatt and quotes for upcoming insurance increases and coverage.

Workmans' Comp will have a 2026 increase. Budget needs to include estimate of \$42K for insurance.

Trash insurance will increase; and we've also been notified from Best Pick of increasing costs.

FUND RAISING -

Pancake Breakfast - Clyde McKay - we had a good turn out for the first event. Merchandise did well and working with the new POS system.

- We had a lot of leftover Strawberries (and thrown out). Can we but this back? No ice cream moving forward was discussed last month.
- Clyde has worked up a Kitchen Inventory list. This needs to be updated after every event.
- There is a diagram for the pancake breakfast set up. Bill Good will make sure that is posted on the door.
- Propane discussion: Typically Bill L or Louie get these filled. Can we look in to Yavapai filling the tanks on site vs taking to a different location?
- Note from Clyde per our Event Permits and the County NO TAKE OUT CONTAINERS are to be allowed at any event. This would require additional permitting and issues. Sign to be provided at check in table.

Golf Tournament – Bill Keena

A meeting was held last weekend with some of the Golf Team / volunteers and Bill K.

- Marti Mahoney will be revising the flyer and the registration form for 2026.
- Marti Mahoney will be working for the logo design to go on the 2026 Golf shirts. Sending info to Bill K for review. Deadline for shirts to embroidery service needs to be before end of September. Approx 2 to 3 weeks to pick up shirts.
- Bill K is starting to work on Hole Sponsors and donations; raffle prizes.
- Bill K is working to keep costs similar to last year for registration. The Course Fees have increased.

Walker Day – Clyde McKay

Scheduled for June 13th -

- Clyde will reach out to Allyson Loughrige regarding the Kid's activities and set up locations.
- Inside station needs to be kept for food/eating;
- Activities will includes raffle prize drawing, Kids/family games; cake walk; music; Merchandise.
- Discussion on raffle prizes. We have rec'd a few donation gift cards. Marti has reached out as well as Clyde will be contacting businesses local and restaurants. Can we utilize funds from WFPA to obtain a few prizes to add to the drawing?

Bill Loughrige makes the motion to allocate \$1000 towards prizes. Bill Good seconds. All in favor.

Firewise / Chip & Haul – Clyde McKay

The Firewise meeting at the station last month had a decent turn out (55) people over past years attendees. Information provided from WCAA, Roger Nusbaum, Louie Reale for Chip & Haul and Clyde McKay.

Chip & Haul coordination and organization is moving along well from Clyde and Louie. Communication will begin to go out to Community emails and FB notifications and request on donations to support C&H.

Improvements – no new info

Grants – no new info

Merchandise - Clyde McKay / Marti Mahoney

The new POS system worked well at the Pancake Breakfast. The next event is the Fish Fry. Clyde assisted at the breakfast and 3 of the volunteers got training in usage.

Currently merchandise is sorted and inventoried. New bear design has been popular sales item for adults and kids.

OLD BUSINESS –

Community Education – Roger Nusbaum

No new videos. Roger will be working on some new information this month.

New Signs – Clyde McKay

New sign at the station location completed. Clyde is working on the signage and layout to add for upcoming event notification, donation thermometer, Station info, Fire Danger info.

Two more additional signs are in the works.

2026 Events - see above fund raiser information

Newsletter - Clyde McKay / Marti Mahoney

Spring copy was mailed out end of April. Stick & Lick party went well and again and helped to keep costs down on the printing and mail out.

Discussion for Winter Newsletter to be a Holiday greeting to the Community with a note to see the webpage for the actual newsletter copy. Keep the winter newsletter minimal pages and streamlined.

Annual Meeting / Pancake Breakfast – Clyde McKay

Scheduled for May 23rd -

- Please reach out to neighbors and residents for Proxy votes. Email has been sent, as well as included in the newsletter that was just mailed.

- Set up for breakfast as well as the meeting and voting to be reviewed by Clyde, and notify Joyce Loughrige for time and location.

NEW BUSINESS - (none)

Public Comments – (none)

10.55 Adjournment

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

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