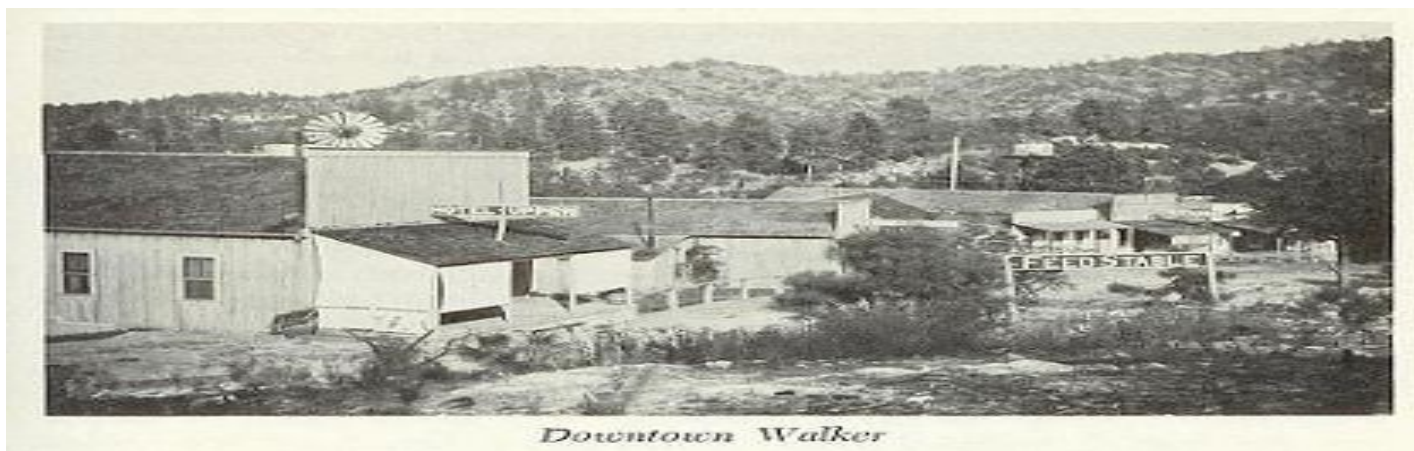


THE WALKER CHRONICLE



SERVING WALKER, BIG BUG AND POTATO PATCH AREAS

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO

Vote for Our 2014–2015 Board Members and Amendment to the WFPA By-Laws

WHERE: The WFPA Fire Station at 4980 E. Walker Road

WHEN: Annual Meeting & Potluck, Saturday May 24, 2014

STARTING TIME: 8:00 AM



At this year's membership meeting, we will have four board seats that are up for election with two current board members asking for your vote for re-election. Nominations from the floor are permitted as well so come prepared with your questions and nominations!

In addition, Members will be asked to approve a modification to the By-Laws for the WFPA that among some "housekeeping" items, alters the Membership criteria to include an annual membership fee which can be paid separately or as part of a Member's annual dues. See pages 13 through 17 for the summary and board approved modifications.

And in the event you can't make it to the meeting, see page 12 inside for proxy instructions and the form (or download it from the WFPA Website).

The annual potluck lunch will follow the meeting.

Our always delicious annual potluck will be the feature after the vote. Please bring your appetite and special dish to share and delight.



Please bring food items as follows, based on the first letter of your last name:

Side dishes, A to H, Main entrée I to R and Dessert S to Z.

FROM THE PRESIDENT...

The WFPA is clicking along nicely and the WFD is strong and well.

Roger Nusbaum, our Fire Chief, has done a fantastic job representing the Walker Fire Department with the surrounding area Fire Departments. He has taken an active role in the various associations that they all participate in. As a result, our professional relationships with those departments has been greatly improved.

Our Fire Fighters and EMT's have continued with their training and dedication to our community. We have an outstanding group of individuals and our pool of Volunteer's continue to grow as well as becoming better prepared.

A Big Thank You to Fire Chief Roger Nusbaum and his team!

Your current Board of Directors are dedicated to creating a professional business approach to operating our Fire Department. Members of the community are given the opportunity to express their opinions and provide suggestions at every monthly Board meeting.

Loren Bykerk who has managed the mediation grants and chipper days under the Fire Wise banner has also done yeoman's duty. We've had very successful chipper events where the community really got involved in cleaning up their properties. Tons of fuel/slash have been removed as a result. These events were paid for with the Fire Wise grant. Thanks' to Loren and his group of volunteers for all their work in this effort. The Board all agrees that the Chipper Day should be an annual event for the community. Grant money may not be available but we are considering adding this to the budget.

New this year we added a Paramedic ride-along with our weekend severity patrols. This was one of the items requested in our 2012 member survey. This was an addition to our expenses that we have decided to continue this coming season.

We expanded the concrete apron/driveway making it better for helicopters to land when evacuations of critically injured or ill patients are necessary. This was at the request from Native Air. This was coordinated by Mark Herrin and Rudy Erdman with assistance from many community members.

Walker Wi-Fi partnered with the WFPA to add a Walker Weather station at the Fire House. This has been a useful and fun enhancement for the community.

These projects and others came from our budget without asking for special dedicated funds. The Board would like to continue this practice unless we need large capital improvements such as newer fire trucks. In that regard, Rogers reports we will need to address upgrading our fleet this year. Particularly the water tenders. Also, we are in the process of adding storage to the Fire Station (as you can see we are pretty crowded in there)

The community activities/fundraising events have all been a great success and a great time for friends and neighbors to meet. Pancake Breakfast, Bingo, Ice Cream Socials, Dances, etc. start back up in April, so mark your calendars.

We have developed a long range plan, much of which is a projection of our needs/wants. In addition to the water tenders we still need to build a sub-station near the Potato Patch/Misty Mountain Loop area. Similar to the station we have on the Big Bug.

The WFPA is totally dependent on your donations and you have consistently provided us with what we need. It is a challenge each year to balance projected expenses with uncertain income. As you can see from the Treasurer's report, we continue to be financially healthy thanks to your generosity.

The WFPA needs for that generosity to continue.

Your continued support is greatly appreciated.

Bill Loughrige
President, WFPA

FROM THE TREASURER...



I am happy to report that in the nine months ending in February 2014 we are well ahead of budget in all areas. Contributions are \$34k over budget, total income is \$37k above budget, expenses are under by \$25k and net income is \$62k to the good.

All of this sounds great, but in order to end the year on this positive note, we **MUST** raise another \$23k to meet our budget. PLEASE make your contributions now to keep us on track. As reported in other postings in this newsletter, we are looking at or in the midst of many great initiatives this year. If we are to remain a strong department we need everyone in the community to give.

Vic Hencken

Treasurer

FROM THE SECRETARY...

Since October 2012 Walker residents have been able to find the monthly WPFA Board Meeting Minutes on our website - <http://walkerfire.org/board-minutes-and-reports/> A complete audio file of each meeting is available for review along with an abridged set of minutes designed to direct you to specific areas of the meeting where your interests may rest. These files are posted on the website a few days before each board meeting.

I pleased to inform residents that our organizational filings with Yavapai County and the State of Arizona are current and up-to-date. Records of our filings are maintained in the WFPFA office and questions regarding those documents can be directed to me.

Russell C. Courtney, Secretary

Walker Fire Protection Association

secretary@walkerfire.org

ONE MORE REMINDER

NEW STREET ADDRESS FOR THE FIRE STATION:

As it happens the address we have been using is from the old Fire Station that was down by Hummingbird Lane. We just kept the same number even though were now on the even side of Walker Rd. and that section is now an East West designation, so the new address will be:

4980 E. Walker Rd.

Prescott, AZ 86303

NEW MAILING ADDRESS FOR BILLING, CORRESPONDENCE AND DONATIONS:

PO Box 10174

Prescott AZ 86304

FROM THE FIRE CHIEF...

The last 12 months have been busy for the Walker Fire Department in terms of training, applying for grants and enhancing our medical coverage but fortunately we had no structure fires in the last year after having three the previous year.

We had two wildland fires last season and both were successful in terms of having a large turnout of Walker Fire personnel and support from other agencies and departments including the US Forest Service, Arizona State Forestry, Groom Creek Fire District, Granite Mountain Hotshots, Prescott Hotshots and Central Yavapai Fire Department.

Our trainings have an average attendance of 14-16 firefighters which is a testament to the commitment of the group and many of whom live in Phoenix and drive up to participate in trainings. Underscoring the commitment made by our firefighters we had a half a dozen answer the call in the middle of the night (literally) to drive up to fight the Green Gate fire on May 22 of last year.

In addition to our need to stay current with wildland fire tactics and strategies in our training we have also continued to expand our structure training program which will hopefully enhance our safety and efficiency on the fire ground.

The biggest training enhancement for the department has been with medical. At the start of most of our trainings we devote time to medical training from Dr. Howard Kravets which serves multiple purposes; provides continuing education for our EMTs, provides training for non-medical personnel to help more effectively on medical calls and allows all of us to engage in calls more safely.

Long time firefighter Mark Keegan recently accepted the role of assistant chief and is doing a phenomenal job all in addition to his recently becoming an EMT. We also have Paramedic Eric Wight new to the department in the last year and although he lives in Prescott he has played an important role in many medical calls already.

On the grant front we were awarded a small grant from the State Forestry Division that will go toward a combination of structure fire, wildland fire and communications equipment. We also participated in a regional grant with three other departments through the Western Yavapai County Fire Chiefs Association for four SCBAs but we are still awaiting an outcome.

Looking forward we need think about replacing certain equipment that has finite lifespans. If awarded the above mentioned SCBA grant we will be well situated but if we are not awarded the grant then we will need to replace the existing units soon and that would be costly.

A much larger expense that we have been very fortunate to put off has been upgrading at least one, if not both, of our water tenders. The nature of our department and our call volume is such that we do not need brand new water tenders but would be better off if this part of our fleet was less than 20-plus years old.

The commitment of the firefighters requires remaining well practiced in current procedures and continuing to engage in how the fire service evolves. The ability of the department to execute successfully relies on your ongoing commitment to fund all of these needs in the future as you have always done in the past.

Thank you,

Roger Nusbaum, Fire Chief

**The Fire Station is unattended,
so if you have an emergencyCall 911**

About the **WFPA** and How You Fund Our Services

We are a Member funded/driven, not for profit, section 501(c)(3) volunteer organization formed over forty years ago by Walker Members like you. The WFPA provides the first line of defense between hazard and safety for the Walker community. The WFPA receives minimal to no funding from the government and has historically had to rely on 35% to 40% of the Walker Membership to donate 100% of it's annual operating budget.

Fire department volunteers and your Board are extremely frugal and have managed the department's finances prudently over several challenged years. The department has no debt and a reasonable cash reserve to insulate it from an unforeseen events. However, without increasing the financial participation of our Members, equipment upgrades or additions will be out of reach and added services out of the question. We need your help.

Participating Walker Members that have already contributed their 2014 dues, reward our hard working volunteers with funds to provide insurance protection, safe equipment and continuous training in order to serve you better... a handsome return of your investment dollars.

Any one of the many calls last year could have become a much more serious incident to a Member's well being or property. Please review the following donation information and consider the significant community benefits provided by your volunteers at the WFPA... and contribute!

DONATION PAYMENT METHODS:

1) Make checks payable to the WFPA, complete the donation slip and return to:

Walker Fire Protection Association
P.O. Box 10174
Prescott, AZ 86304

Or...

2) Use our new Paypal option-located as a link in our website homepage at www.walkerfire.org.

Paypal is one of the most secure methods to make electronic, encrypted payments and can accept Visa, Master Card, Discover and American Express cards for dues and donations. A receipt for tax records is generated within minutes to confirm the donation and saves the WFPA postage and handling costs so more of the donation dollars stays with your fire department.

When donating through Paypal you do not need to send in the donation slip if you have no personal information updates. If you need to update your personal information, you can do so in our website by selecting the "Contact Us" tab and filling out the requested information. There is also a comment section for additional information that you may want to provide.

-----Tear Off and Return-----



-Please note any informational changes below and insert form and donation in the enclosed envelope-

Walker Fire Protection Association

2014 Annual Dues Drive

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Walker Property Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Donation Amount: \$300.00 Other: _____

Check enclosed: Visa: Master Card:

Card #: _____ Exp: _____

Signature: _____

Please include me in all Walker emails and news

No change in any of my contact information

SAVE THE DATE!!! JUNE 28, 2014

WALKER DAY COMMUNITY CELEBRATION AND FUNDRAISER

Please come celebrate with us and help raise funds for our local Volunteer Fire Department's 43rd year!

DATE: SATURDAY, JUNE 28, 2014

TIME: 9:00am - YARD SALE
11:00am - 3:00pm Walker Day Celebration

PLACE: WALKER FIRE DEPARTMENT,
4980 E. Walker Rd., Prescott, Az 86303
(7 miles south of Hwy 69 on Walker Rd.)

HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE:

COMMUNITY YARD SALE - Donated items from antiques & collectibles to furniture and building supplies
BBQ Lunch - Complete Hot Dog/Burger picnic lunch with dessert for \$4.00
LIVE MUSIC - Courtesy of local musical artists "Guy's With Day Jobs"
CAKE WALK - Win one of many home made cakes in an old fashion cake walk
SILENT AUCTION - Bid on quality items donated by local residents and area merchants
50/50 Raffle
Kids games, gifts and face painting

For more information please call John Ohanesian @ 928-445-8358
(100% of the proceeds go directly to the Walker Fire Protection Agency)

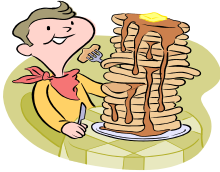
WALKER COMMUNITY WEBSITE

The Website is your source for the latest news and announcement of events concerning our Walker Community. The WFPA has added a Paypal link to the website as a means to bring more security and versatility for donations provided by our Members. Upcoming Board meetings, community gatherings and scheduled firefighter training are also included in the site as well as a community directory, sections for Walker history, forest service issues and more. To be part of our Community Website Directory and to be included in our e-mail data base, go to www.walkerfire.org and click on the "Create an Account" link on the left side of the home page in order to go to the registration page. When you finish filling out the form click the Register button and you are "connected."

"IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBERS FOR 2014"



BINGO Third Saturday of each month,
(May - October), from 4:00pm –7:00pm



PANCAKE BREAKFAST Last Saturday of each month,
(April - October) from 8:00am –10:00am



POST ANNUAL MEETING POTLUCK May 24, 2014



WALKER DAY'S June 28, 2014



ANNUAL FIRE FIGHTER APPRECIATION/PIG ROAST Oct. 4, 2014

***Note:** Check out our website for dates as they are set or sign in to the website for email blasts and the most current updates for events and announcements.*

These community events are what make Walker the unique community that it is. If you have never attended any of these functions, you are really missing a lot of fun and an opportunity to create memories and friends that you and your family will remember forever.

WALKER AREA REAL ESTATE UPDATE

Courtesy of Sharon Bencze, High Country Realty, LLC

2014 sales as of this writing . . .

CABINS/HOMES

SOLD - 3

PENDING - 3

ON THE MARKET - 22

VACANT LAND

SOLD - 2

PENDING - 0

ON THE MARKET - 37



I am happy to report that out of all of the above listings, there are no short sales or foreclosures.

RECAP OF 2013:

CABINS/HOMES SOLD - 30 (No Foreclosures or Short Sales)

VACANT LAND SOLD - 14 (1 Foreclosure)

I have received a number of calls recently from property owners regarding homeowners insurance. Issues have been policy cancellation, premium increases, requirement to clear more defensible space, inability to obtain insurance, and then there were a couple who actually had premium reductions. Doesn't seem to be any rhyme or reason as to who is being affected.

For additional information or if you have questions, please call Sharon at 928-308-3338 or 928-759-9664.

Give Help—Get Help

Arizona 211 Resources can assist in navigating the various government agencies, non profit associations, charitable and municipal services providers whether you find yourself able to assist or in need of assistance.



Community Information and Referral Services serves as Arizona's key source of integrated information that brings people and services together to meet vital needs. It is their vision that all Arizonans are easily connected to available health and human services in their communities. They are the lead agency and provider of 2-1-1 services in Arizona. Look them up at www.211arizona.org, sites are cross referenced by county and assistance categories.

MEET THE CANDIDATES

At our annual WFPA Member's meeting at 8:00 AM on Saturday, May 24, 2014, four board of director's seats will need to be filled for the 2014-2016 fiscal years. Pursuant to our current By-Laws, nominees are recruited through a Nominating Committee or can be nominated "from the floor" on the day of the annual meeting. The following candidates have completed applications for the board and are presented for your review.



For Re-election:

Name: William Loughrige Phone Number: (480) 223-8034

Walker address: 5929 S Potter Ln

Number of years as a Walker property owner/resident: 66

Typical number of days per year in Walker area: 90

Previous WFPA or Walker community involvement:

For the past four years I have had the honor of serving on the WFPA Board of Directors. The first year was as Vice President and last three as President. In addition to my Board responsibilities, I support and actively assist with the majority of WFPA Community and fundraising events: Pancake Breakfasts, Bingo Nights, the Fire Fighter Appreciation Pig Roast and Walker Day. I also co-ordinate with Linda Emmett/Shad Bruce the Walker Trash Collection Service for the WFPA Board.

Previous Board/Non-profit experience:

I have been an active member of the Tempe Sunrise Kiwanis Club since 1980. For the last 14 years, I have been active with the National Muzzle Loading Rifle Association as the 'Coordinator' for their Annual Western National Shooting Competition at the Ben Avery Shooting Range. I was also a President of the Phoenix Chapter of the Federal Law Enforcement Officers Association. I participated in the formation of the State's first competitive color guard, which is a performing arts non-profit youth organization. This organization created the circuit that now manages the training and competitive events for the State of Arizona.

Personal Information:

Walker has always been a place of reverence for our family, who have been passionate about this area since 1948. I am a retired Criminal Investigator (Special Agent) from U.S. Customs, Department of Treasury and was a Phoenix Police Officer for 8 years. Walker was where I convalesced when injured at work and vacationed.

In 2010 I ran with the purpose of helping to professionalize the board meetings and to allow for all opinions without criticism of the community member speaking. We have been successful in that effort. The last four years we have had many positive accomplishments. The Board of Directors continues working well together in a businesslike atmosphere to improve our association.

Our mission as a community volunteer fire department is to be able to get to any fire before it gets too large to control and provide basic first response medical assistance. The WFD volunteers have been successful in this mission and are more capable than ever of getting the job done.

Our mission as a Board is to plan and direct the business operations of the association and support the continued education and recruitment of our volunteers.

I support the volunteer tradition and will continue to do what I can to attract all of our neighbor's participation which will insure the continued success and services of the Walker Fire Department.

I am asking for your support in this effort.

MEET THE CANDIDATES (cont'd)



For Re-election:

Name: Russell C Courtney **Phone Number:** 480-831-1817

Walker address: 6228 Champion Way

Number of years as a Walker property owner/resident: 2

Typical number of days per year in Walker area: 90

Previous WFPA or Walker community involvement:

For the past two years I have served as your WFPA Board Secretary. I participate in our WFPA fundraising activities including Bingo, Pancake Breakfast, and at our Walker Day event.

Previous Board/Non-profit experience:

Much of non-profit experience comes from competitive youth activities. I have served with the following organizations: MidWest Col-our Guard Circuit - Board Member. Winter Guard Arizona / WGAZ - President, Past President. Anozira Color Guard - Director. Vaqueros Drum and Bugle Corps - Guard Director. Fiesta Bowl Pageant of Bands Committee - Member. In addition, for the last 13 years I have served as the Founder and Co-Chair of the RainTree Neighborhood Association in Tempe.

Personal Information:

I grew up in a "military" family. My father built his career with the U.S. Army based out of Ft. Sheridan in Illinois. My mother was a Chicago and Oak Park Police Officer. Taking part and serving others was part of the upbringing instilled in each of the children in my family - 5 in all, 4 brothers and 1 sister. While being a Walker property owner is still relatively new, I have taken part in activities in Walker since being transferred to Arizona in July of 1987. While considering a purchase of property, I did my due diligence and attended several WFPA Board Meetings. This gave me a better idea of the importance of WFPA and how I could best serve this community.

New Candidate:

Name: Terry D. Piske **Phone Number:** 623-330-5565

Walker address: 7555 S. Big Bug Mesa Rd.

Number of years as a Walker property owner/resident: 9 years owned - 4 years full time resident

Typical number of days per year in Walker area: 365

Previous WFPA or Walker community involvement:

WFPA Board member 2010-2011 - Served as Board Secretary - Member By-Laws Committee - Member Articles of Incorporation Review/Revision Committee. I participated in the building of the Big Bug Station.

Previous Board/Non-profit experience:

See above

Personal Information:

I am a full time community resident who has the best interests of the entire Walker community at heart. I am pro-active in my approach to most situations and I want to see our community succeed.

Terry D. Piske

MEET THE CANDIDATES (cont'd)

New Candidate:

Name: Steve MacIntosh Phone Number: (480) 595-9968 (928) 541-9128

Walker address: 5350 Amulet Mine Rd

Number of years as a Walker property owner/resident: 7

Typical number of days per year in Walker area: 50



Previous WFPA or Walker community involvement and previous Board/Non-profit experience:

See below

Personal Information:

As a property owner and concerned resident of the walker Community I would like to become a Board Member. In the past I have supported the local volunteer fire department with yearly contributions. I would now be willing and able to help as a Board member.

I am retired and will be splitting my time between our home in Cave Creek and our home in Walker. Although I have limited experience in non-profit organizations, I do bring 40 years of experience in the manufacturing industry as an Engineer and General Manager. In my past roles as a manager I have tried to be a good listener, participative in leadership and interested in the common good.

We Need Committee Members

The WFPA Board has formed several committees and needs your help! We are seeking members who have an expertise or interest assisting in the following:

- Funding Committee - Regulatory Committee -
- Training Committee - Community Outreach Committee -
- Facilities and Equipment Committee

Your WFPA has many planning functions that need only a moderate amount of time with enough volunteers. Our talented and diverse Membership has continually stepped forward to lend a hand and keep our department and community humming. Please consider volunteering, even a few hours can make a difference. You can view the Planning Committee Worksheet in our website (www.walkerfire.org), for more detail. Please email us at www.walker-bod@walkerfire.org to get involved.



Yavapai County's Emergency Notification System (ENS) can notify you on your cell, landline...

Last year's Chronicle ran this announcement and we have since had some Members ask for the information again. The Yavapai County Sherriff's Office announced the new ENS in July 2012 with an ever easy way to register your contact phone numbers and property locations in Yavapai County. Look for the "emergency notification" tab at www.ycsoaz.gov, follow the prompts for your opt-in registration and preferred phone number, contact method (email, text, voice...), and enter your property address. The site will convert the address to GPS coordinates automatically and will confirm registration once saved. You should note that all Yavapai County published residential and business landline phone numbers are automatically included in the database, registering with the site will permit you to add additional contact methods (cell phones). For more information, see the site at www.ycsoaz.gov.

Walker Fire Protection Association, Inc. Proxy Ballot and Instructions

As provided for in the bylaws of the Walker Fire Protection Association, Inc. ("WFPA"), proxy voting is permitted for the Annual Meeting which will be held at the WFPA Fire Station located at 4980 E. Walker Road, Prescott, AZ 86303, at 8:00 AM, Saturday May 24, 2014. Proxy ballots are available upon request by email at secretary@walkerfire.org, or by phone request at 480-223-8034 or available for download on the WFPA website at www.walkerfire.org. Proxy ballots must be correctly completed, signed and returned by mail to WFPA, PO Box 10174, Prescott, Arizona 86304 or emailed to secretary@walkerfire.org, attention WFPA Secretary no later than Wednesday, May 21, 2014 or can be physically delivered to the WFPA Secretary at the Annual Meeting by 8:00 AM, the day of the vote.

WFPA Member eligibility to vote is defined by the WFPA bylaws, Article III "Members Voting" and summarized as owning or participating in the ownership of property within a three mile radius of the Fire Station, property included in the Potato Patch Area Association or otherwise accepted as a Member under guidelines/criteria adopted, from time to time, by the WFPA Board of Directors.

The number of total votes eligible by Members shall not exceed one vote per Member and no more than two votes for property ownership held in "joint" ownership interest as defined in Section 3.2.4.1 of the WFPA bylaws. The total votes eligible are limited as defined, regardless of the number of parcels owned or ownership participation.

Proxy ballots will be verified for eligibility and against a Member roster with a record date of Apr. 2, 2014. Ballot qualification will be reviewed and verified with final eligibility determined by the WFPA Secretary. Any proxy ballot not signed, not in proper order or not matching the Member roster will be set aside and considered invalid.

Walker Fire Protection Association, Inc. Proxy Form

Know All Men By These Presents:

The undersigned owner, or their voting representative, at the Walker address of: _____, hereby constitute and appoint the Secretary of the association, his designee, or _____, as nominee, and proxy with powers of substitution for and in the name and place of the undersigned, to appear, represent, and cast votes only as I specifically instruct in reference to the following matters to come before the Walker Fire Protection Association, Inc., Annual Meeting to be held on May 24th, at 8:00AM at the Walker Fire Station located at 4980 E. Walker Road, Prescott, AZ, 86303.

Limited powers

I hereby specifically authorize and instruct my proxy to cast my vote in reference to the following matters.

ELECTION OF BOARD MEMBERS

Please check the name you would like to see elected to the Board of Directors. You can vote for no more than three people.

	Write In's
_____ William Loughrige	_____
_____ Russell C. Courtney	_____
_____ Terry D. Piske	_____
_____ Steve MacIntosh	_____

APPROVAL OF THE AMENDMENTS TO ARTICLE III OF THE WALKER FIRE PROTECTION ASSOCIATION, INC. BY LAWS.

_____ Yes _____ No

The undersigned ratify and confirm any and all acts that this proxy may do or cause to be done in the premises, whether at the meeting referred to above or at any change, adjournment, or continuation, and revoke all prior proxies previously executed.

Date: _____ (Signature) _____

Summary of WFPA By-Law Amendments to Article III

The following is a concise overview of the Amendments to Article III (Members & Voting) proposed and approved by a majority vote of the WFPA Board of Directors during the March 8th Board Meeting.

The existing WFPA By-Laws state in Article 3.1 “The Association shall have Members.” These By-Law Amendments are changes that attempt to further define and establish Membership and Voting requirements.

- Update WFPA address to 4980 E. Walker
- Testing period for Members ATTETV* of one (1) year beginning at the end of the preceding Annual meeting and ending thirty days preceding the next meeting to allow time to establish a current list of members
- \$20 Annual Dues in addition to previously defined ATTETV requirements i.e. (donations of a one (\$1) dollar or more), which can be deducted from such Donations via an accounting procedure.

*Remember that ATTETV is an acronym that means Member At The Time Eligible To Vote.

Purpose

1.1 The WALKER FIRE PROTECTION ASSOCIATION, INC., sometimes hereinafter referred to as the "Association" or as the "WFPA", was formed pursuant to Title 10, Chapter 24, et seq. of the Arizona Revised Statutes, as an Arizona Non-Profit Corporation to form and operate a community organization to provide itself and to cooperate with other agencies to provide in the Walker community and the immediate surrounding area in Yavapai County, Arizona.

1.1.1 fire fighting services;

1.1.2 fire protection services, such as, but not limited to;

1.1.2.1 reducing fire hazards; such as, but not limited to:

1.1.2.1.1 removal of downed wood, etc.;

1.1.2.1.2 removal of garbage that might otherwise be burned;

1.1.2.2 fire reduction education, etc.

1.1.3 initial emergency medical services

ARTICLE II

Financial Support

2.1 The Association shall be supported by:

2.1.1 dues;

2.1.2 fees;

2.1.3 grants;

2.1.4 voluntary contributions, including, but not limited to, gifts and bequests; and

....

2.1.5 other means, such as, but not limited to, fundraising activities.

ARTICLE III

Members Voting

3.1 The Association shall have Members.

3.2 Definitions.

3.2.1 ***“Member(s)”*** for purposes of these bylaws is a Person, as later defined:

- a. Owning or Participating in The Ownership, as later defined, of Private Real Property, as later defined, which Real Property is located within a three (3) mile radius of 4980 E. Walker Road, Prescott, AZ (hereinafter sometime referred to as the "Fire Station") or,
- b. Owning or Participating In The Ownership of Private Real Property, which is included in the Potato Patch Area Association, which Private Real Property is not already included in section 3.2.1.1 above or,
- c. Owning or Participating In The Ownership of Private Real Property, which is not included in sections 3.2.1.1 or 3.2.1.2 above, who is accepted as a Member under guidelines/criteria adopted, from time to time, by the Board of Directors as authorized by the last sentence of Article V of the Articles of Incorporation.

3.2.2 ***“Person”*** for the purposes of these bylaws is as defined in A.R.S. § 10-3140 (41) as an individual or an entity.

3.2.3 ***“Entity”***, for the purposes of these bylaws, is as defined in A.R.S. § 10-3140 (26) as including, but not limited to, a corporation, foreign corporation, not for profit corporation, business corporation, foreign business corporation, profit and not for profit unincorporated association, close corporation, corporation sole, limited liability company or registered limited liability partnership, a professional corporation, association or limited liability company or registered limited liability partnership, a business trust, estate, partnership, trust or joint venture, two or more persons having a joint or common economic interest.

3.2.4 ***“Participating in The Ownership”*** (a ***“Participant”***) for purposes of these bylaws is defined as:

- a. Each Person as an individual owning **real** property **defined in Section 3.2.1 above**, then the person is one (1) member, **and**
- b. Each **additional** Person, not to exceed two (2) with a "joint" ownership interest in real property **defined in 3.2.1 above**; under Arizona State law, including, but not limited to:
 - i. a tenancy in common interest;
 - ii. a joint tenancy interest;
 - iii. a joint tenancy with right of survivorship;
 - iv. a tenancy in the entirety interest;
 - v. a community property interest; and
 - vi. a community property with right of survivorship interest.
- c. Each trustee of a trust, under the applicable State law, not to exceed two (2) *i.e., a property owned by a trust which only has one trustee, that trustee is one member.*
- d. Each partner in a partnership, under the applicable State law, not to exceed two (2).

- e. Each manager of a limited liability company, under the applicable State law (or each member in the case of a member managed limited liability company) not to exceed two (2). *i.e., a property owned by a limited liability company with a single manager or a limited liability company managed by a single member, that limited liability company is one (1) member.*
- f. Each shareholder of a corporation, under the applicable State law, not to exceed two (2). *i.e., a property owned by a corporation which only has one shareholder, that corporation is one (1) member.*
- g. Each Personal Representative of an estate, under the applicable State law, not to exceed two (2). *i.e., a property owned by an estate with only one person as Personal Representative, that estate is one member.*

3.2.5 ***Private Real Property***” for the purposes of these bylaws is defined as all real property **NOT** owned by:

- a. The U.S. Government; or one if its agencies or political subdivisions;
- b. The State of Arizona; or one if its agencies or political subdivisions;
- c. A foreign government

3.2.6 ***Testing Period***” for the purposes of these bylaws is defined as **that period that begins at the end of the previous Annual Meeting of the Members ATTETV and ends thirty (30) days** preceding the start of **the next** Meeting of the Members ATTETV.

3.2.7 ***Member At That Time Eligible To Vote***” To be in compliance with A.R.S.§ 10-3601 which states that "No Person shall be admitted as a member without that Persons consent", a Member At That Time Eligible To Vote, hereinafter sometimes referred to as a "Member ATTETV" for purposes of these bylaws, are those Members, as defined above in section 3.2.1 who give their consent to be a Member ATTETV as follows:

- a. by **voluntarily** contributing one dollar (\$1.00) or more during the Testing Period as defined herein, in a way that the Association can acknowledge the gift (e.g. check, credit card, cash with a receipt given by the Treasurer, etc. (not cash dropped in a collection jar, etc.), **and**
- b. by paying, during the Testing Period, an annual dues of a minimum of **twenty dollars (\$20.00), as determined by the Board of Directors, which can be deducted from contributions/donations in (3.2.7 a) above (an accounting procedure)** or paid in such a way that the Association can acknowledge as defined in 3.2.7; or
- c. by volunteering five (5) or more hours during the Testing Period verified by the Association,
- d. **and as to either, gives notice of consent to be a member either in person, by mail, or email.**

3.2.8 ***Real Property***” which is located in, for the purposes of these By-Laws, shall mean a parcel of real property located in the required area for which there is a parcel number currently and properly assigned by the Yavapai County Assessor.

- a. If there are more than two (2) persons who would qualify to be a Member under section 3.2.4 et seq.

- above, then the General Partner(s) in the case of a Partnership, the Manager(s) in the case of a Corporation, the Trustee(s) in the case of a Trust, the Personal Representative(s) in the case of an Estate shall determine who the two (2) members are.
- b. Such determination shall be given to the Secretary of the WFPA **at least thirty (30) days prior to the Annual Meeting** of the Members ATTETV, and shall remain effective thereafter until a new determination shall be given to the Secretary prior to December 31st of any subsequent year.
- 3.3 Membership in the Association shall not be sold, purchased, transferred, gifted, etc. A Member may resign as a Member ATTETV at any time. Resignation does not preclude a Member from again becoming a Member ATTETV in the future, pursuant to the Articles of Incorporation then in effect and these By-Laws
- 3.4 ***“Voting Rights”*** On each matter submitted to the Members ATTETV for a vote, a Member ATTETV shall be entitled to one (1) vote irrespective of the amount of Real Property owned as defined in section 3.2.8, **and section 3.2.4 Participating in the Ownership.**
- 3.5 ***“Annual Meeting”*** An annual Meeting of the Members ATTETV shall be held on the Saturday proceeding Memorial Day of each year at the WFPA fire Station.
- a. ***“Meeting Time”*** The Annual Meeting starting time shall be 9am unless otherwise specified by the Board of Directors.
- b. ***“Notification Required”*** The starting time and other matters will be noticed not more than sixty (60) and not less than ten (10) days before the date of the meeting. Notice **may** be given by **any of the following methods:**
- i. Posting on the bulletin board located at the Fire Station,
 - ii. Any means required/permitted by State Law, and/or the Board of Director’s discretion including, but not limited to:
 - iii. Posting on the Association’s website (www.walkerfire.or) or,
 - iv. Email to the Members ATTETV or newsletter via regular mail or,
 - v. On the red bulletin boards located throughout the greater Walker Area
- 3.6.1 Attendance of a Member ATTETV at a meeting of the Members ATTETV shall constitute a waiver of notice of such meeting, except where a Member ATTETV attends a meeting for the express purpose of objecting to the transaction of any business because the meeting was not lawfully called or convened.
- 3.6.2 A Member ATTETV may “attend” and/or vote at a meeting of the Members ATTETV only in person or via written proxy. Listening in or participation by means of Multi-Media communication equipment (e.g. internet, Skype, etc.) shall not constitute attendance at a meeting of the Members ATTETV for purposes of a Quorum or for voting purposes.
- 3.6.3 The purpose of the Annual Meeting of the Members ATTETV is for Members ATTETV to elect those Directors up for election for the ensuing year and to transact such other business as may properly come before a meeting of the Members ATTETV. Cumulative voting is not allowed.

- 3.6.4 The Association’s website and the Association’s newsletter sent immediately preceding the Annual Meeting of the Members ATTETV may include candidate’s information which is available.
- 3.6.5 The Chairman of the Nominating Committee shall call for nomination from the floor for the Directors to be elected at the Annual Meeting of the Members ATTETV. Those nominations, plus those nominations proposed by the Nominating Committee, shall stand for election to the Board of Directors.
- 3.7 **“Special Meetings”** A special meeting of the Members ATTETV may be called by, or at the request of, a majority of the Board of Directors or (per A.R.S. 10-3702 A2) by petition signed by ten percent (10%) of the Members ATTETV of the Association. The person or persons authorized to call a Special Meeting of the Board will fix the date and time of the Special Meeting to be held at **4980 E. Walker** Road, Prescott, AZ. Notice of a Special Meeting must be made in writing, no more than sixty (60) days and no less than thirty (30) days in advance of such Special Meeting to the Members ATTETV. Notice shall be given as required under Section 3.6 (b) et. seg. above.
- 3.7.1 Notice of any Special Meeting of the Members ATTETV shall include a description of the purpose or purposes for which the meeting is called.
- 3.7.2 Attendance of a Member ATTETV at a meeting shall constitute a waiver of notice of such meeting, except where a member ATTETV attends a meeting for the express purpose of objecting to the transaction of any business because the meeting was not lawfully called or convened.
- 3.8 **“Meeting”** The President or, in the President’s absence, the Vice President and, in the absence of both, a chairperson appointed by the Members ATTETV present, shall call the meetings of Members ATTETV to order and shall act as chairperson thereof. The Secretary of the corporation shall act as Secretary at all meetings of the Members ATTETV, or in the Secretary’s absence, the chairperson may appoint any person to act as Secretary of the meeting.
- 3.9 **“Quorum”** Annual Meetings of Members ATTETV. At the Annual Meeting of Members ATTETV, attendance of Members ATTETV in person, or via written proxy, of seventy-five (75) Members ATTETV shall constitute a quorum.
- 3.9.1 Special Meeting of Members ATTETV. At a meeting of the Members ATTETV, attendance of Members ATTETV in person, or via written proxy, holding one-tenth of the votes entitled to be cast by Members ATTETV shall constitute a quorum.
- 3.9.2 If a quorum is present, the affirmative vote of a majority of the Members ATTETV present (in person or via written proxy) shall be the act of the Members ATTETV unless the vote of a greater number is required by law, the Articles of Incorporation, or by specific provision of these By-Laws.
- 3.10 **“Certificate”** The Association **may** not issue certificates including shares or ownership of the Association. The Secretary, and the Assistant Secretaries, if any, shall keep and have open for inspection, in such form as shall be approved by the Board of Directors, a list indicating who is a member ATTETV **pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes 10-3720.**
- 3.11 **“Record Date”** In order to determine the Members ATTETV entitled to notice of, or to vote at, any meeting of the Members ATTETV or for the purpose of any other lawful action, the Board of Directors may fix, in advance, a record date, which shall not be more than sixty (60) nor less than ten (10) days before the date of such meeting, nor more than sixty (60) days nor less than ten(10) days prior to any other action.

Helpful to Know Notices

GIS Project

Joyce Loughrige has continued to conduct research to update the maps of Walker. She is working with the Yavapai County GIS department and the Jeep Posse. Last May we produced an electronic GIS map of the work completed to that time for the WFD's use. Joyce is in the process of driving each road to confirm the accuracy of area maps. The map will encompass all of Walker Rd, Misty Mountain Loop/Potato Patch area, and the Big Bug down to Breezy Pines. (Walker Rd from Hwy 69 to Senator Hwy, Big Bug through Five Points to Poland Rd, and everything in between) This project is an effort to update our paper map books we were using at the Station and in the trucks and to correct the county information.

The new maps show the Fire Stations, driveways, homes/structures, gates, water tanks (from agreements), roads, parcels, topography, trails, etc... We have already benefitted from having them. The GIS information will be an ongoing effort to update and maintain but the electronic format will make it easy to produce. They are .pdf maps that can be loaded onto any computer or tablet.

BURN PERMITS

Burn Permits are required if you want to burn anything on your property. Use this web site for the permit application. <http://www.prescott-az.gov/services/fire/permits/> The site will let you know if burning is allowed. A link has been established on the WFPA Web Site.

BRIDGE CONSTRUCTION

Plans have been made to replace the single lane concrete bridge over Lynx Creek just before Big Bug Road. No definitive time frame has been put forward but surveyors have been on site and they have reported they want to complete the project this summer. So, be prepared for construction delays if you drive past that point

Firewise Quiz

- 1) To effectively reduce home losses from wildfires, _____ must become partners with local fire protection organizations and assume greater responsibility for home fire safety.
- Developers
 - Homeowners
 - Architects
- 2) Which activity will NOT protect your rural home from wildfire?
- Pruning trees and shrubs.
 - Clearing pine needles and leaf litter 3-5 feet away from your home.
 - Building a gazebo.
 - Planting trees
- 3) Why is it important to prune tree branches 6 to 10 feet from the ground?
- Less leaves and debris fall on the ground.
 - Prevents wildfire from spreading to treetops.
 - Prevents the tree from burning down.
 - Keeps tree limbs from falling on a house.
- 4) Ember or spark penetration at the home can happen through what means?
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| a. Window screen. | e. Crawl space vents. |
| b. Missing or loose shingles/roof tiles. | f. Plastic skylights. |
| c. Open garage doors. | g. All of the above. |
| d. Roof/gable vents. | |
- 5) What kind of roofing material is considered "Class A" for the best fire resistance?
- Asphalt shingle
 - Concrete tile
 - Metal
 - All of the above
- 6) What is "crown distance"?
- The distance between the trunks of trees.
 - The distance between the tops of trees.
 - The distance between the widest parts of trees.
 - All of the above.
 - None of the above.
- 7) What is ladder fuel?
- Discarded wooden ladders on a burn pile
 - Ladders used for firefighting
 - Vegetation that enables fire to climb to treetops or roofs.
 - None of the above



YAVAPAI COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
ANNOUNCE THE 2014 FREE SLASH DROP-OFF PROGRAM

(Notice provided by the WCAA and Firewise)

WHERE: The following County transfer stations are: Black Canyon City, Camp Verde, Congress, Mayer, Poulden Seligmen and Skull Valley

WHEN: Beginning April 1st — June 1st, 2014

This free slash drop-off program will assist residents in developing necessary defensible space around their homes and other structures that could fuel fires. Keeping fuels managed is absolutely necessary to help avoid uncontrolled fires that can become extremely damaging. Please take advantage of the free slash drop-off program and clean up around your properties.

The following items *ONLY* will be accepted:

- ◆ Brush
- ◆ Branches
- ◆ Grass & Leaves
- ◆ Yard Trimmings
- ◆ All slash must be removed from plastic bags

These items will *NOT* be accepted:

- ◆ Lumber
- ◆ Stumps
- ◆ Roots
- ◆ Cactus
- ◆ Metal
- ◆ Garbage



For additional information, please contact

Yavapai County Public Works Department at (928)771-3183

Answers: 1. (b), 2. (c), 3.(b), 4.(g), 5. (d), 6. (c), 7. (c).

Visit here to read the [Spring 2014 Walker Firewise Newsletter.pdf](#)
www.walkerfirewise.org, walkerfirewise@gmail.com (928)443-9748

WALKER TRASH COLLECTION SERVICES

Walker Trash Collection Service continues to provide fee for service household trash disposal to its members. Dumpsters are located on the Fire Department property behind the Fire Station at 4980 E. Walker Rd.

Walker Trash collections Service continues to be popular. We have been offering 6 month subscriptions for those of you who only visit during the summer months. The dumpsters are not only a service of convenience for Walkerites but in large part to avoid having people burn trash with the resulting fire danger that it produces.

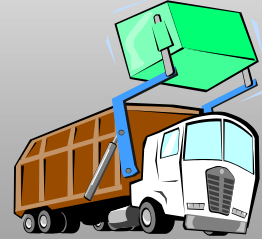
The dumpsters are for household trash and garbage only . No matter how tempting, hazardous material, construction debris or slash clean up should not be put in the containers. We base the number of containers and pickups on subscriptions for household trash, construction material causes overfilling and extra cost.

The fees are as follows:

Full Year = \$180.00 (\$15 a month)

6 Months = \$120 for 6 months (\$20.00 a month)

One time/special use = \$30.00 a month



There is a link on the web site at walkofire.org where you can find the agreement. Send your checks and signed agreement to the WTCS P.O. Box 10174 Prescott, Az 86304. The accountant keeps the records, Shad Bruce and Linda Emmett (928) 778-2566 handle the mail, locks and any issues with the dumpsters.

A VERY IMPORTANT Note.....

Remember, our homes are in an area susceptible to fire. If this should happen, you, your family and friends that visit should have an evacuation plan. The Yavapai Sheriff's Jeep Posse will manage the evacuation. However, just in case you are separated from your family in this unhappy type of situation, it will make it much better if you have a plan to meet at a specific location. It is then everyone's job to get there and stay there. Having someone to call to leave messages or your family able to retrieve voice messages is a good idea. Be sure to include pets. These plans can be as simple as meeting at the Safeway in Prescott Valley (the Costco will be a zoo) or an advanced plan with bug-out bags, food supplies and detailed instructions. Anything is better than nothing.

Is your fire extinguisher up to date? What? You don't have a fire extinguisher? Uh-Oh, they are cheap enough and can save you!

Smoke Detectors save lives. Not if their batteries are dead. When was the last time you checked them?

Make sure you have CO2 detectors too! Less glamour, but can be just as important.

The WFPA Water Use Agreement is now available on the WFPA website!



What is the WFPA Water Use Agreement and why is it needed?

The Water Use Agreement on the WFPA website is needed for two specific reasons;

- 1) The WFPA's only viable local water source is water stored in tanks, throughout our community, at the WFPA station or in limited surface water basins.***
- 2) The WFPA needs our Member's consent for stored water and needs to locate and index this "authorized" water in the event of a fire in our community so that our water tenders do not have to lose precious travel time to gather water in Prescott.***

If you have stored water or an available tender that the WFPA or fire responders can call upon in the event of a fire emergency, please visit the WFPA website at www.walkofire.org for more details and consider authorizing your water with the Water Use Agreement.

Please remember a fire anywhere in or near our community is a huge risk for all.



WE WANT YOU to advertise in the Walker Newsletter so our Walker Members can support you like YOU support the WFPA!

Please consider an ad in our Fall 2013 newsletter and help our members shop local.



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\$25-eighth page (business card size)

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Many Thanks to: Sharon Bencze (High Country Realty); Nick Wold (Walker Wi-Fi), Ken Coleman (Sir Speedy) for their sponsorship and contributions to the WFPA!

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