

**Walker Fire Protection Association
Monthly Board Meeting Minutes**

13 June 15

Board Members Present:

President:	Bill Loughrige
Vice President:	John Ohanesian
Secretary:	Russ Courtney
Treasurer:	Steve MacIntosh
Director:	Terry Piske
Director:	Rudy Erdman
Director:	Dan Dougherty
Fire Chief:	Roger Nusbaum

Board Members Absent:

9:15 AM Begin General Session

Approve Agenda - Time Index: 00:37

Motion to accept the agenda as presented by John seconded by Terry. Vote. Passed 7/0

Public Comments (questions will be addressed at the end of the meeting) - Time Index: 00:58

Victoria – web site April minutes are in draft form but were approved at the May meeting. Re the minutes: they state that Victoria asked a question re: bingo that should be Pancake Breakfast. Cannot understand what is being said in the audio recording. Some confusion re: Bill's comments. Wants copy of list of Members Eligible to vote at Annual Meeting.

President Report - Time Index: 02:33

Elections of officers at the Annual Meeting were noted as listed above. We discussed two expenses that would exceed out \$750 limit – garage door and water heater. Both were approved. This morning we had discussion on the Budget, Water Tender, and Walker Day. No decisions were made on these items. We hope to have the budget finalized by the next board meeting – it is the plan.

Secretary Report - Time Index: 04:04

The minutes from the April Meeting along with the audio file, were posted on the website. I will review those based on Victoria's comments. No other comments have been received.

The minutes from the Annual Membership Meeting were distributed to the Board members for review. Corrections were received. These will be posted for review and will remain in a draft status until they are accepted at the next Annual Membership Meeting.

The May Board Meeting Minutes are ready and will be distributed to the board for review and subsequently posted on the website. An audio file for the May Board meeting was not available due to a problem with the conference service recording equipment. This has been noted in the minutes.

I will be updating our corporate filing with the State to include the names of the current board members. At the same time I will be renewing our licensing on some of our trade names which are scheduled to expire in October.

Motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes was made by John and seconded by Terry . Vote. Passed. 7/0

Treasurer Report- Time Index: 05:43

May was a successful month and the end of our year. Total income \$47K actual against a budget of \$34K, leaving us \$13K favorable to budget. Expenses actual \$13K .v 12K budget. Slightly over budget to the tune of \$870. Final YTD Total income \$128K .v. \$126K budged. Virtually right on target. Expenses \$119K .v. \$126k budged. Overall for the year, almost \$9K favorable. Will have budget wrapped up in the next few weeks.

Motion to accept the Treasurer Report was made by John and seconded by Terry . Vote. Passed. 7/0

Fire Chief Report- Time Index: 07:50

Calls Three medical calls and one illegal burn. **Training** Engine operations and a mock fire near the site of the 2012 Mohawk fire. **Personnel** Severity patrols continued, we have added more of a training component to this year which is more comprehensive than in past years. This was an opportunity to work more with the trucks. We participated in two days of prescribed burning with the Forest Service in May. This was something that we had no access to for many years and the feedback was positive with the expectation set that there will be more opportunity during the traditional burning season which is in the fall/winter. We need some sort of agreement in place given the nature of our department. **Fleet** We may have a water truck/water tender donated to the department. More next meeting. Mark Herrin has been instrumental in this. **FEMA grant (through the chiefs association)** We have taken delivery of the primary portion of that grant. We have now taken delivery of the cases for the SCBAs. Still waiting on the masks. **Facilities** Dan Dougherty has made great progress on the water heater, garage door, and bay heaters issues. Thanks to Dan for being on top of these issues.

Motion to accept the Fire Chief Report was made by Russ and seconded by Steve . Vote. Passed. 7/0

Bill Loughrige: In discussion Roger is doing a great job recruiting new firefighters. He is making a very positive environment for the fire fighters. This is going very well.

Roger Nusbaum: We do have someone who may be interested in working more of the administrative aspects which will provide some relief. We are working on that now.

Committee Reports (Fundraising, Firewise, etc) - Time Index: 15:21

- Fundraising – Walker Day is moving forward. We will need the table (10) and chairs (32) for Walker Day. We can start to replace the stacking metal chairs. We need to review how our fundraising is reflected in the budget.
- Maintenance – the dead apple tree will be taken down.

Old Business- Time Index: 20:50

- Election Results - The WFPA Secretary reported the results of the vote from the Annual Meeting:

Write In Candidates

Loren Bykerk 1

Published Candidates

John Ohanesian 119

Rudy Erdman 124

Dan Dougherty 121

Bylaw Changes: Votes For/YEA 107 Votes Against/NEA 30 Votes Abstain 4

The changes to the Bylaws are adopted by the membership with the appropriate 2/3 vote. Total number of votes was 141. Required 2/3 vote to pass was 94.

As a side note we did find one ballot from last year's Annual Meeting. It did not have the proper candidates on it and was not counted in the final results.

- Walker Day – discussed earlier
- Facility Maintenance - discussed earlier
- Bridge Project – work has started. There has been no communication from construction with the fire department. Old Walker Road could be a possible route for the fire trucks – its open but not very passable.
- Budget – discussed earlier.

New Business- Time Index: 23:43

Fundraising – Discussed earlier.

Community Announcements: (Firewise, WCAA, Others?) - Time Index: 23:50

Victoria – 4 July is the first Sundae Saturday here at the fire station from 1 to 3 PM. The WCAA July meeting will have a guest speaker Eric Moore of Jay’s Bird Barn. Slow start to the Winter Coat Drive. Donations are still being taken for coats. The Yavapai Food Neighbors Project is collecting food to help alleviate the peaks around the Thanksgiving, Easter, and Christmas holidays. Green bags are provided and collected every other month at the WCAA meeting. These are disturbed in our local area through the food bank.

Mark – To date I have checks for \$11,700 with other commitments from the Big Bug area. Russ McDonnell bought a 4000 gal. tender. He is offering to donate the truck to the fire department. Russ will sign it over to the department allowing us to do what we need with the truck. If we decide to keep it fine. If we decide to sell it, Mark’s company might be interested in purchasing for \$10K. It would be totally up to the department as to its disposition.

Victoria – number of proxy votes cast? Discussion about replacing the garage door for \$800, - it is no longer functioning. May meeting we approved \$2000 for tables in chairs, and we are asking everyone to donate \$1000 towards a new tender. I think the expenses should be reconsidered by the board in light of the expense of the tender.

Public Forum (Two-minute restriction)

None

Brief Board discussion if any about public comments

Bill Lougihge – regarding the tender; this is a very generous offer. We need to investigate if there is a CDL requirement and if we have the experienced people to drive it. It is a large truck a wonderful donation. Roger will make the decision on the disposition.

Roger Nusbaum - to Victoria: please coordinate the Sundae Saturday through Mark Keegan. To Mark Herrin: Thank You very much. The truck is a huge donation for the department. (Mark mentioned) The truck is valued in the \$30K area.

Dan Dougherty – there is the possibility of a matching donation from Merck up to \$30K which needs to be investigated. Additional questions were raised and will be investigated. (Victoria mentioned) She had worked for a company that has done this type of matching before and there are.

Bill Lougihge – regarding the tender; there is always The special request is in addition to our budget. At the same time we received input that the \$1K request was too much and we should request donation of \$500. While the expense of the tables was approved we do need to make these types of to accommodate our fundraising. The garage door needs to be replaced. The chairs we need to be able to allow people to sit and be comfortable. Keep your eye on us regarding expenditures.

11:00 AM **Adjournment**- Time Index: 46:55

Motion to adjourn was made by John and seconded by John and Terry . Vote. Passed. 7/0 Meeting adjourned at 10:17 AM

**An audio file of this Board Meeting is available on the WFPA website – <http://www.walkerfire.org>
The meeting agenda is used to contain a brief description of the discussion for each topic on the agenda. Please refer to the audio file for an exact replay of the meeting.**