

Minutes WFPA
Board of Directors Meeting

May 11th, 2019

8:45 a.m. Executive Session

- Board members present for meeting – Terry Piske, Roger Nausbaum, Bill Loughrige, Johnny Ohanesian, Dan Dougherty, Clyde McKay (Via Dial in)

9:17 a.m. Begin General Session
The quorum has been met.

Approve Agenda

Johnny Ohanesian motions to approve agenda and Terry Piske Seconds seconds the motion. Agenda has been approved.

Public Comments

(Questions will be addressed at the end of the meeting)

- Victoria Morhous – Noticed on documents from prior meeting we had the following to be addressed
 - a) Review of Roger Nausbaum's Criteria for volunteering as a firefighter (or EMS) for Walker Fire Protection Association
 - b) Phone line charges at the station
 - c) Rudy Stated Generator needed to be serviced soon
 - d) Regarding preparedness's day at station mentioned we would look at coordinating help.

President Report

The Annual meeting is coming up – notice is posted on bulletin board – notice sent out. There was an error in the Chronicle on the date – was a typo.

Secretary Report

Minutes have been sent out from the last meeting. No other major updates or issues.

Johnny Ohanesian motions to approve the reading of the Secretary report and Terry Piske seconds the motion. Agenda has been approved.

Treasurer Report

Total Assets \$ 326K

Net income (-\$ 9K) for the month

There may have been some deposits that did not hit correctly and we need to look at this. We will make sure for the Annual meeting updated numbers are provided.

Johnny Ohanesian motions to approve Treasurer report and Terry Piske seconds the motion. Agenda has been approved.

Fire Chief Report

Calls

Three calls, two were smoke related and a medical call.

Training

Two versions of RT-130, the wildland refresher

Patrol 80, with two firefighters go to participate in the initial attack on the Lynx Fire on April 19th.

Fleet

Patrol 83 should be out of the old station shortly if it isn't already and then up to Potato Patch in a couple of weeks when nighttime temperatures should be less cold

Facilities

We have a little workout area behind Patrol 85. We have spent no money, we will seek donated or loaned equipment to see if we get firefighters using it.

Personnel

We continue to have new potential recruits come join us. If all of the recruits who've expressed interest stick with us, we'd be close to 40. Not sure what accounts for the recent surge but we're better off for it.

Yavapai County Fire Chiefs

The Forest Service's weather forecast is for a colder wetter spring into mid-June (high confidence). From there, temperatures could be a little warmer than normal (moderate confidence).

Captain's meeting on May 10; Spruce lookout tower is manned with a new person, the higher probability for serious fires is early July, the Forest Service leadership is aware of a potential issue that we focused on a couple of years ago in the Goodwin Fire of Walker Rd not being engineered to allow for a fast evacuation of a lot of people. We tried to address this back then by encouraging people to not wait for the final evacuation order.

PRCC

For dispatching purposes, the term Patrol as in Patrol 80 or Patrol 85 will disappear on June 1st. From that point forward the word Brush will replace Patrol as in Brush 80 or Brush 85.

Budget

Dan and I worked on the budget. Some things to consider, I would like to buy two new Avon SCBA units which would then give us six Avons. This would allow for taking the old MSAs out of service with the benefit being only one type of SCBA and firefighters not having to keep track of two different masks (MSA and Avon).

Budget items related to grants can't be reasonably counted on. Depending on how precise this needs to be we may want to check with our various insurances for more accurate numbers. The board may want to weigh in on projected income numbers. There is no way to know how many fires out of the area our personnel will respond to.

Other - Roger has been working on Criteria for volunteering as a firefighter (or EMS) for Walker Fire Protection Association and we should have this completed at the next board meeting.

Johnny Ohanesian to approve Fire Chief Report and Terry Piske seconds the motion. Agenda has been approved.

Committee Reports

- a) Walker day is about a month a way – will be looking for help. Donations are now being taken and the request is to drop items off on Saturdays before 11am.
- b) Rudy Erdmann has either completed or scheduled maintenance on the Generator.

Old Business

- a) Station WiFi / Security – 3 Additional Cameras have been installed at the station, 2 additional surveillance signs were put up and we purchased 2 new control keypads for the Alarm which Matt is going to help install for us.
- b) News Letter went out and is on line – It cost about \$ 2,300.
- c) Water Tank – No Bites – We will work to move it at Walker Day.
- a) Potato Patch building – Continuing to move forward. No major issues at current time.
- b) Annual meeting – The announcements have been sent out and list of candidates set up. We have some event set up coordinating to do still. Clyde McKay will get a group to check people in and help count the votes.
- c) Kitchen shelving has been installed and clean up in the kitchen was done by the team who attended the last Pancake Day.

- d) Budget 2019-2020 - Dan Dougherty and Roger Nausbaum worked on this – we have the first draft and it looks pretty simple. Used historical information to put this together. There are a couple of things we need to look at and possibly adjust some of the numbers – A few examples are Bingo income is over stated, Pancake Breakfast is understated and there are some questions about some other purchases. Following review of the budget during the meeting we agreed to leave it as is and in the event any changes are needed the Board will review and make amendments as needed during the year.

Johnny Ohanesian to approve the proposed budget for 2019-2020 and Dan Dougherty seconds the motion. Budget has been approved.

New Business

- a) None

Community announcements

- a) Loren Bykerk – Aiming for the May 20th for the Chipper to come in – The machine is currently being repaired.
- b) WCAA –

Public forum

- a) Victoria Morhous – Who approved the newsletter – on Page 5 date there are 5 positions opens - the dates and terms are incorrect in the verbiage. Answer – After reviewing this in the meeting – Victoria is correct and thank you – we will make sure this is covered.
- b) Victoria Morhous - Who approved the proxy form in the letter – in the past we have used a limited one rather than a general one. Feels it should be reviewed before the meeting – Answer – What happened in past is what Victoria mentioned. On the proxy form it has a blank space for you to constitute and appoint for your vote. It also states to leave it blank to allow the secretary to vote for you. We are using

more of a true proxy not a mail in ballots, which is more in line with our by-laws.

- c) Victoria Morhous - On the river rocks we have for drainage – they are unstable and maybe we should put some metal around them so it becomes flat and more stable. – Answer – We will hand this off to Rudy Erdmann.
- d) Lance Gilbert – With the recent Fire in dumpster, is there a bucket, shovel, sand, a way to make a 911 phone call out? Answer – t going around to the front of the firehouse by the door to the office should allow for calling 911 which is the best way to initiate a response
- e) Lance Gilbert - With having more new volunteers, will this effect the budget? Answer – we will need to look at possibly adjusting workers comp, insurance and equipment and a couple of other things.
- f) Phone lines question from Victoria Answer - Bill Loughrige called the Sheriff to see what the direct hotline was and to see if there were options that would help to reduce the bill – not heard back from them yet. We are going to call the phone company as well and look to remove the fax line.

10:22 a.m. Adjournment

Johnny Ohanesian motions to adjourn Terry Piske seconds, and the meeting is adjourned.

Note: An audio recording of this meeting is available on the WFPA website.