



Minutes – WFPA
Board of Directors Meeting – September 14, 2024

8:45am – Executive Session

Board members present for the meeting – Clyde McKay, Bill Loughrige, Marti Mahoney, Jeff Anderson, Lance Gilbert, Louie Reale, Rudy Erdman

9:15am – Begin General Session

- The Quorum has been met.

APPROVE AGENDA -

Jeff Anderson makes the motion to approve the meeting agenda. Bill Loughrige seconds the motion. Agenda is approved.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – None

PRESIDENT’S REPORT – Clyde McKay

No new comments. Committee reports will have further comments.

Jeff Anderson makes the Motion to approve report. Bill Loughrige seconds. All in favor.

SECRETARY’S REPORT – Marti Mahoney

Minutes from the last meeting have been sent. Bill Loughrige makes the motion to accept the minutes from last month and dispense with the reading of the minutes. Jeff Anderson seconds. All in favor

TREASURER’S REPORT – Lance Gilbert

- Pancake breakfast - 122 adults; 17 kids attended
Donations \$1202, expenses \$520.58 net \$681.42
Merchandise sale \$1,747 (includes \$500 in brick sales)
- Movie Night proceeds \$255
- Ramp expense management.
Hit limit this month due to Wildland getting many assignments. Plan to get limit increased when more state remittances come in.
Received a \$500 gift card for reaching a new users limit.
Lance will be requesting a high monthly limit on the ramp card.

- Bingo – \$295 (\$195 proceeds +\$100 re-donated)
- Golf Tournament – need to summarize for accounting.
Lance is requesting a spread sheet on the accounting and expenses from Jeff Anderson
- Completed Quick Books online conversion with the accountants.
- Chip & Haul – gave a \$2,224.57 Check to WCAA for 2024 short fall. Rudy has made arrangements for parking lot rehab. Will report total expense once we get the gravel invoice.
- Discussed better way to account Wildland expenses with accountants. Will work on improving now that we have ported over to QBO.
- Donations this month were \$3,790
- Expenses for this month were approx. \$12,000 not including payroll. Costs included Wildland; merchandise; Insurance payment; Truck expenses.
Note – Still reviewing due to new financials format.
- WTCS cash on hand is \$39,556.17
- F.A.D - \$3549 Donations; Costs were approximately \$ 3400; Merchandise sold \$1300; And gift card to be sent to Vendor who donated smoker and pig.
- Lance received an Audit for Travelers / Workman’s Comp. Amount \$6470 “Total earned Premium”. He will follow up with this notification on credit (or amount owed).

Motion to approve Treasurer’s report by Bill Loughrige. Jeff Anderson seconds. All in favor.

FIRE CHIEF REPORT – Roger Nusbaum (Read by Clyde McKay)

Calls

7 total. One accident, three medical, two smoke investigation, public assist for stranded motorist

Training

EMS run review and ICS training scenarios.

Fleet

Engine 86 and Tender 83 have had annual service at CAFMA with the rest still to come.

Personnel

Firefighter Vlassis successfully completed the Basic Firefighter Skills class at the annual Arizona State Fire School which is training for exterior structure firefighting.

Facilities

No report.

PRCC

A lot of focus lately on new departments joining the center. More than 10 years ago, Williamson Valley left PRCC. In the last 7 or 8 years they have been merging with many of the small fire districts in the county including Mayer, Crown King, Congress, Bagdad and

possibly adding Ash Fork. Merging may not be the correct legal term but either way, the entirety of this organization may soon be added to PRCC.

Other

N/A

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

COMMITTEE REPORTS –

Trash – Louie Reale and Clyde McKay

- New subscriptions are still coming in. Clyde has been pro-rating for the yearly costs, or they are paying monthly.
- The new website will be more user friendly for sign up and links on the Trash contracts and payment.
- Discussion and agreed that increasing the subscription costs for 2025 with rising costs of trash services and possibly changing companies. New pricing to be determined.
- Bill Loughrige passed along email and information for Taylor Hauling. A new company coming in to the PV area. Their quote is double. Louie to request a meeting with the company and option for services, with a Board review on information next month.

Insurance – Clyde McKay and Lance Gilbert

No new changes. Insurance currently paid up to date

Station Maintenance – Rudy Erdman

Rudy has gravel scheduled for delivery and spreading this week (following Chip n Haul). Well head area to be worked up for new cover and surround

Station Improvements – Clyde McKay

- Discussion on the Kitchen door (to bay area) – this needs to be left OPEN to allow for the heat from the frig and freezers to escape. Roger to note and make his team aware.
- Discussion from Clyde on improvements needed in the quantity for new volunteers to assist at events. The same people are doing 90% of the work. Outreach emails, facebook, face to face requests to the community and neighbors for next year needs to happen.

Walker Fire Webpage –

- Clyde McKay has been working with Chris for webpage. No new date for release provided.

Fund Raising –

Golf Tournament – Jeff Anderson

Currently we have (50+) players signed up for the Tournament on October 12th; and (20) sponsors. Jeff is shooting for (80) players; and (36) sponsors.

- Patrice Aubrecht has been working on prizes; Marti Mahoney has swag bag merchandise; Jeff is working on signs and sponsors, registration information
- Sponsor signs and table signs will be provided by the Course.
- Volunteers needed for help at check in; merchandise; information tables

Grants –

- Jeff Anderson has narrowed down the available grants to (2) two that WFPA can apply for. He is working on that application.
- Note for 2025 : Jeff does not want to take on this committee again. WFPA needs to outsource someone who has that ability and time, and possibly a resident of walker.

Firewise Report – Loren Bykerk

- Costs on Chip & Haul are shared on the dumpsters, hauling, backhoe work.
- Time sheet information collected: Approx \$33.49 hour = \$72,000 overall value. This information is used when Loren applies for the next grant and shows community involvement.
- No donations received for chip and Haul from residents this year.
- Louie Reale asks that there is a meeting prior to next years chip n haul to coordinate and organize the scope of impact and work and make it more efficient for 2025.

OLD BUSINESS –

Newsletter – Clyde McKay

Clyde and Marti will be meeting this afternoon August to review Fall Newsletter.

Emails will be sent to Board for Fall reports.

The deadline for mail out is scheduled for November 15th week.

Fireman's Appreciation Day – August 31st Saturday

Great attendance from the community, firefighters and volunteer team members.

Roger's gift was well received; Firefighters flag gifts (and gift cards) were also well received.

Discussion that more help and volunteers needed for the large events on cooking, set up and clean up.

Chip N Haul – 2024 / Clyde McKay, Loren Bykerk, Louie Reale

- WFPA team handled most of the work that week, organization on the roll offs, backhoe help, overseeing daily push back, and coordination of dump trucks with Loren.
- No donations received by community or WCAA. WFPA covered the over charge amount that was left. Gravel costs still to be determined.
- Dead trees in the middle of the lot were not removed by APS as requested; nor have they returned or scheduled the work to date. Louie will be reaching out again.
- Dead tree removal and well head repair will allow for more room next year.
- Discussion on moving the Chip n Haul to JT Septic option. The consensus is that few residents will make the trip to Dewey to remove slash in the area.
- Discussion and need for meeting (2025) prior to the scheduled Chip n Haul dates to coordinate early on the roll offs, backhoe equipment/operators, onsite volunteers needed to assist with slash pile and removal.
- Community information is lacking on the Chip n Haul dates, need for donations and time sheet information, and volunteers.

Red WFPA signs – Clyde McKay

Thank you to Jeff Anderson and Shelley McKay for clean up on the signs.

- Walker event notices will be put on the signs the month prior. A 2025 Walker Calendar will be included. And an updated Walker Map.
- Fire Station Red sign – “Your donations at Work” discussion to provide updates on where the latest donations are being used.

- Suggestion that "WINTER PREP" information for Walker residents notices be added
- Sheldon and Walker Road sign ... Clyde was notified by Hellers (owner of that property) they are going to clean up and repair that sign.
- Potato Patch sign at Walker Road / Sheldon... Clyde has been contacted by the Hellers on the possibility of repairing or clean up of that sign as the bottom is rotted out. Suggestion that Clyde reaches out to the PP HOA to work with Hellers on getting this sign re-done.

NEW BUSINESS -

Merchandise WFPA –

- Clyde McKay has reached out to the Merchandise team (Karen Gonzales, Karla Macy and Marti Mahoney) to set up a meeting for review of the 2025 season.
- Meeting to include Lance Gilbert and Jeff Anderson; and possibly Ruth McReynolds.
- Agenda to review designs, type of merchandise, inventory and old inventory, costs vs sales and WFPA budget for merchandise.
- Meeting to be scheduled in the next 4 to 6 weeks.

Petty Cash – Lance Gilbert

Petty Cash / bank bag will be turned over to Marti Mahoney. This will be used for Walker Merchandise, Movie night, Golf Tournament, merchandise sales during winter months. Marti also has the charge machines.

Public Comments –

None

10.40 – Adjournment

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

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