# RED FEATHER LAKES FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BOARD MEETING TUESDAY AUGUST 8, 2023, HYBRID MEETING MINUTES

Meeting called to order 6:14 pm

Roll Call/Introductions: PRESENT: Dan Defibaugh, President; Rebecca Ekart, Vice-President; Caryn Hughes, Treasurer;

Nancy Kay, Secretary

**PRESENT:** Gerry Wagner, FF & President of the Firehouse Supporters (501c3)

**Guest Present:** Darla Moxon, has agreed to be on the board.

# **Review/Approval of Minutes**

Caryn made a motion to accept the Minutes, Rebecca 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion, all approved.

## **Financial Report**

Caryn went over the financial reports with us. The financial reports as of July 31, 2023. We have \$169,726.17 in our checking and \$266,312.92 in our savings, for a total of \$436,039.09. In the month of July, our income was \$35,088.95 from taxes and earned interest. Our spending in July: Administration was \$6,120.08; Operating expenses \$1,758.24 and Capital Outlay \$4,100.99 for PPE (Personal Protective Equipment). The total expense was \$11,979.31. We had a net income of \$23,109.64.

Nancy made a motion to accept the financial report as received, Rebecca 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion, all approved.

## **Chief's Report**

RFL Fire chief Bobby Hill is working, Gerry Wagner can share with us the run information and what the training was. We had 15 calls in the month of July, 11 medical and 4 fire or other, which brought us to 73 for the year at the end of July. August has started out busy, we already have 5 medical and 3 fire or other.

They practiced structure fires, made sure the new people knew how to draft water out of the lake, how to run the engines and tenders for the pumps, spraying water. Saturday's training with Crystal Lakes Fire Department was more of the same training for structure fires. Saturday they also had a dog rescue (not a medical, not a fire, it is an "other") on Nokomis Lake.

## Supporter's Report

Gerry Wagner, President of the Firehouse Supporters (our 501c3)

The Supporter's started July off with \$71,067.97 in fnbo and \$793.55 in PayPal. We received check donations of \$500.00, PayPal donations of \$18.93 and fire boots (put out for the fourth of July weekend) donations of \$670.00. In July we brought in \$1188.93. We spent \$407.51 on the new power washer, The rugs to cover the grates on the floor of the truck bays and we bought the new flag that is flying outside the Fire barn. Which leaves us with a balance of \$73,641.94. The Supporters have sent in their design for the Fire Day T-Shirts, and some caps.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

## Microgrid/generator

Gerry thinks we must prewarm the propane in liquid form until it gets to the evaporator. They are looking into this. We have the largest evaporator that is made. They are still considering enclosing the generator and conferring with Collins Control.

### **FPPA**

Nothing new on this.

## **Grading and materials for Firehouse Lane**

Caryn talked to John Krakel, saying we don't want recycled asphalt on Firehouse Lane. What else is available, that won't get stuck in the boot treads and tracked into the firehouse or trucks.

#### Darla's Oath of Office

At the end of the meeting, Rebecca swore Darla in because Dan attended the meeting by Zoom. Darla stood and recited the oath, everything was signed and witnessed.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

# 2023 SDA Annual Conference at Keystone September 12 – 14

Caryn is going to the conference.

## Resolution for guest speakers to limit of time (2 or 3 Minutes)

We all agreed on a 3-minute time limit. We will keep this 3-minute time limit, printed in the agenda.

## Policy to delete emails every 60 days

We all agreed, we go back to past emails for references and are not too keen on deleting the emails every 60 days. Nancy said this was only a recommendation by the SDA (Special District Association) and not something we have to do.

## **Review Fire Board By-Laws**

We all will review the By-Laws on our own and discuss it at a future board meeting.

# **Open Board Discussion**

## **Public Comment (Limit to 3 Minutes)**

none

**Meeting Adjourned** Carryn made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:54 pm, Rebecca 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion, all approved.