

RED FEATHER LAKES FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
BOARD MEETING
TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 13, 2022, at 6 pm hybrid meeting
MINUTES

Meeting called to order: 6:04pm

Roll call/Introductions: Present: Daniel Defibaugh, President; Rebecca Ekart, Director; Nancy Kay, Secretary
Absent with notice (at the SDA conference): Patrick Grissom, Vice-President; Caryn Hughes, Treasurer
Present: Brenden (Bobby) Hill, RFL Fire Chief; Daniel Alarcon, RFL Asst. Fire Chief; Gerry Wagner, Firehouse Supporters President

Review/Approval of Minutes: Dan approved the minutes with the corrections discussed. Rebecca 2nd the motion, all approved

Financial Reports

Caryn, sent us a short note about the financial report we received for August. Caryn withdrew \$50,000 from our checking account and deposited in our Colo Trust account. Also, the CPA ordered checks and they had the wrong account number on the new checks, and that is being corrected, there are a few invoice payments pending.

Chief's Report

Chief's Report, for the month of August we ran 12 calls, 8 were medical & 4 were fire related. As of today, we are at 98 calls for the year.

Labor Day weekend was not as busy as usual, with only 2 calls over the long weekend of Fire Day's craft fair. In the past Labor Day weekend, we ran 5 or 6 calls.

We are still waiting for the ambulance's power loader.

Bobby ordered some equipment; ropes, pulleys, carabiners, bags, hose reel, hose, and straps for our stokes system. It was around \$2,000.00 worth of equipment, but it was within our budget and needed.

Bobby got approval for a grant he applied for to the state. We got 12 sets of Bunker Gear, 12 sets of boots, 18 fire hoods, 18 gloves, 3 SCBA packs and 6 air bottles with 3 regulators and 3 masks for a little over \$50k. The sales rep for the bunker gear is here at the fire station now measuring everybody to get it ordered. Fire World says it will be 4-6 months before we receive the Bunker gear. This Bunker gear has a life span of only 10 years, then it must be replaced, no matter the use, it is a fire standard.

We have 3 fire fighters going to "Fire on the plains" this next weekend. It is a weekend fire academy, this year in La Junta, Colorado. Our new fire fighter Ted is going, he will be going for the 'Wildland' class and Dan Alarcon and Ryan Zigray will be going down for 'structure' and 'incident command' classes. We might be going over our fire training budget, but only by a little and we feel it is worth it for this training.

We have another new fire fighter, Justin Taylor. He lives in RFL and is a young rancher/logger.

Fire Prevention Week is October 9-15, 2022 with the theme of "Fire won't wait, plan your escape". Red Feather Elementary School asked for fire fighters to visit the school that week, on Wednesday Oct. 12 from 12:30-1:30. Nancy will have the kids fire prevention things bagged up and ready for the fire fighters to take with them. We discussed having Rebecca look for a grant for next year to have smoke detectors to give out during Fire Prevention Week and/or on Fire Day 2023.

Bobby, Dan Alarcon and Gerry are planning to get a plaque for the fire station wall to honor Alan King's memory as a RFL fire fighter.

We are gearing down for the slower winter season, work on minor leaks and small thing that need doing.

Supporter's Report

Gerry Wagner; we had a good Fire Day. We sold a lot of hotdog lunches but not so many t-shirts.

We got \$2,635.00 for booth rentals, \$1,665.00 from sales at the Supporter's booth, \$739.00 for lunch, and \$675.00 from the boots (there was a \$300.00 check in a boot) put out for donations. For a total of \$5,714.00. Our expenses were: \$665.39 for the T-shirts, \$263.26 for the lunch for a total expense of \$928.63, we had a net profit of \$4,785.37.

In the bank we have \$84,082.35 PayPal has \$12,609.13 and I have \$4,239.00 to deposit. So that brings us to \$100,930.48.

OLD BUSINESS

-SDA Annual Colorado Conference

Patrick and Caryn are both in Keystone at the conference that started tonight.

-Website

Patrick is not here to fill us in on the website.

-Microgrid Protocol

Patrick will bring us up to date at our October board meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Rebecca & the El Pomar Foundation's grants

Rebecca said the deadline is December 14,2022. She will have information at our next board meeting.

OPEN BOARD DISCUSSION

Next month we will be working on the budget.

ADJOURNMENT Nancy made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:32, Rebecca 2nd the motion, all approved.

Respectively submitted by
Nancy Kay