

PINE LAKE FIRE DISTRICT

MINUTES 1-26-2015

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: 6:00 PM

ROLL CALL OF BOARD MEMBERS: Tom McLarty, Tom Beller, Jack Graham, Sherri LaFlamme. Ron Kutil not present. Quorum not present.

MINUTES, FINANCIAL REPORTS, AUDITOR REPORTS AND MUTUAL AID CONTRACT WERE PROVIDED TO THE BOARD PRIOR TO THE MEETING.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Vote to approve minutes deferred to 1-31-2015 Board Meeting at 9 am.

PLFD FINANCIAL AND OPERATIONS REPORTS: Vote to approve financial reports deferred to 1-31-2015 Board Meeting at 9 am.

PLFD FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT: Chief Sticka submitted his report to the Board. The AFDA Conference was well attended with about 487 attendees. 4 members of the PLFD Board and the secretary attended. New ARS statutes require training with documentation.

The burn pile access has been closed due to the size of the fuels needing to be burned. BLM has separated and pushed the materials into separate areas. The burn pile will be burned weather permitting.

Fire Fighter 1 training between Pinion Pines and PLFD will take place in late March in a cooperative effort between the two stations. We need at least 6 people in attendance. An estimated cost of \$100.00 per person and each attendee will receive a State Certification as a Fire Fighter 1.

PLFD is scheduling CPR/AED training in March. 6 people per class and members of the community are invited to attend. Call Chief Sticka if interested in participating.

PLFD, Mohave County Park, HMHOA and the Hualapai Mountain Resort are involved in a cooperative effort to determine a calendar of events; this would enable all agencies to know activities taking place on the mountain at any given time.

One member of the PLFD is currently studying at MCC. Their goal is to become a Fireman and EMT.

The Pension and Relief Fund needs to meet to discuss the plan.

Chief Sticka reports that he will be on vacation from January 31, 2015 until February 8, 2015. Greg LaFlamme and Paul Mackesey will be in charge in his absence.

OLD BUSINESS:

- a. Update of rescue 610. Additional repairs need to be made to the fuel tank.
- b. Discussion of a strategic plan for the fiscal year 2015-2016 to include a plan of action and materials required. Chairman Tom McLarty and Chief Sticka prepared and distribute information for Board members to review in preparation for the Board meeting on February 23, 2015.

NEW BUSINESS

- a. Discussion of Open Meeting Laws (OML). All Board members are required to attest they have read and understand Arizona OML prior to being eligible to cast votes as Board members. OML booklets were distributed to Board members. A continuation of the Board meeting is scheduled for 1-31-2015 at 9 am. A conference call will be available to members unable to attend.
- b. Discussion of nepotism opinion from the County Attorney. Stating that a "Board member may serve as a volunteer in a fire district so long as they are not compensated in any manner. It also has been our position that payment of worker's compensation is a benefit of the fire district and not for the individual fire fighters. This policy and opinion has been in deference to the many small fire district where it is very difficult to get volunteers and who have limited resources to pay employees".
- c. Per A.R.S. discuss conflict of interest issues. No Board members reported a conflict of interest issues at this time.
- d. Reports from the Board who attended the AFDA Conference. All Board members participated in the mandatory Arizona statutory training and were pleased with all they had learned.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Chief Sticka reported he is working with our FCC renewal in a cooperative efforts with the Northern Arizona Fire District.

Sue Kern, RN and manager of pre-hospital emergency admissions will be retiring in May 2015.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC:

No comments were made by members of the community.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS:

Chairman McLarty expressed his thanks to Amanda Kaufman for all her work in maintaining the PLFD district website.

The discussion on the AZ Mutual Aid Agreement was tabled.

Chairman McLarty requested an update on Hazardous Fuel Grant expenses and reimbursement from the state. Paul Mackesey stated the reimbursement can take up to 3 months. Chairman requested a report at the February 2015 Board meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 7:15 PM

CLERK OF THE BOARD _____

NOT APPROVED