

**OLNEY RURAL FIRE DISTRICT  
MINUTES OF MEETING OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
MAY 14, 2018 AT OLNEY FIRE HALL**

**Call to Order:** 7:07 pm

**Roll Call:**

Trustees present: Norma McBroom, Laurel Therrien, Keith Kastner, Paul Jeremiassen and Jason Rowles.

Department Members: Chief Wayne Rehmert and Kim Gress.

Community Members: none

**Motion to approve agenda** made by Keith Kastner; seconded by Norma McBroom; carried unanimously.

**Motion to approve minutes of April meeting** made by Keith Kastner; seconded by Norma McBroom; carried unanimously.

**Unfinished Business:**

Mother's Day Breakfast – Norma McBroom reported on the successful breakfast held Sunday (yesterday). Norma said that 122 community members/guests attended the breakfast. Although the attendance was well down from prior years, most of those who attended were from the local community. Paul Jeremiassen summarized the financial results of the breakfast:

Proceeds from the raffle	\$324	
Proceeds from silent auction	\$882	
Guest donations	\$679	
Biscuits sold to Olney Store	\$25	
Total expenses	(\$270)	Reimbursement to Norma for food items not donated
Net proceeds from breakfast	\$1,640	

The net proceeds were more than double the amount from last year (no silent auction last year).

Trustee Election - Norma McBroom and Donna Maddox were the only petitioners for the two expiring seats on the Board, and accordingly, Flathead County Commissioners cancelled the May 8<sup>th</sup> election and filled those seats by appointment. This means that Donna Maddox is replacing Jason Rowles, whose term is expiring.

The other Board members thanked Jason for his service on the Board since his appointment in mid-2016. Jason said he would be happy to help out in any way he can in the future.

**New Business:**

Election of Officers – Laurel Therrien stated that she did not want to run for re-election as Chair, but would accept the position as Vice Chair (currently held by Jason Rowles, who will be leaving the Board). Paul Jeremiassen said that he willing to continue being Secretary. After discussion, it was generally agreed that Donna Maddox, the incoming Trustee, would be very qualified to fill the role of Chair. Paul had an e-mail exchange recently with Donna, in which she said she would serve in any capacity the Board thought would be a good match.

Keith Kastner made a motion to elect Donna Maddox as Chair, Laurel Therrien as Vice Chair and Paul Jeremiassen as Secretary; seconded by Norma McBroom; carried unanimously.

**Secretary's Report:**

Approval of bills for payment:

Lincoln Electric	\$113.43	April electricity
Paul Jeremiassen	\$ 66.55	Reimbursement for copying/ mailing Chief's 3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter Report to community - \$49.55; postage stamps for general use - \$20
CenturyLink	\$111.79	April telephone/internet
CityServiceValcon	\$523.48	Propane delivery – 248.5 gallons @ \$1.84
Kimberly Gress	\$ 85.00	Reimbursement for EMT relicensing
Norco	\$85.00	Oxygen tank rental – March and April

Paul Jeremiassen stated that the District's current cash balance in the operating fund after the above payments and the deposit of the Mother's Day Breakfast net proceeds is about \$29,000.

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Kim Gress will check with Norco to arrange for the return of extra tanks to avoid future rental charges. Norma McBroom moved to approve payment of the bills presented; seconded by Keith Kastner; carried unanimously.

Paul Jeremiassen will present a preliminary budget for FY 2019 in June. The Board will vote on the approval of a final budget to be submitted to the County at the July meeting.

**Fire Chief Report:**

Chief Wayne Rehmert presented his monthly report, which is attached hereto. The Chief said that the previously approved vehicle/building lighting work to be done by RES should be completed in the next few weeks (we want the work to be finished and charged to this year's budget).

Chief Rehmert also passed on the Mother's Day Breakfast debriefing that was done just after the event was over, which included an itemized list of surplus supplies. This will enable us to better estimate our needs for donated and purchased items next year. Much of the surplus supplies was delivered as a donation to the North West Montana Veterans Stand Down and Food Pantry. Norma McBroom will be sending thank you notes to all the vendors who donated food supplies.

As indicated in the Chief's report, we have been requested to provide EMS support for the ATV/Four Wheeler race to be held on June 30<sup>th</sup> on DNRC property where Glacier Gold business is located. As the details of that support need to be worked out, Paul Jeremiassen made a motion to grant Chief Rehmert the authority to provide EMS support to the event, on terms he deems appropriate; seconded by Keith Kastner; approved unanimously.

**Public Comments:** none.

**Motion to adjourn meeting** at 8:25 pm made by Norma McBroom; seconded by Keith Kastner; carried unanimously.

Submitted by Paul Jeremiassen, Secretary

**Attachments:**

Chief's Report – May 14, 2018

Calls and Responses:

- 1) 3/15 Lift assistance/no response

Vehicles in Service:

- 2121 Ambulance
- 2131 Pump Truck
- 2151 Rescue Truck
- 2161 Quick Response
- 2181 Wildland
- 2191 Water Tender

Fuel Cost for April: No bills at the Olney Store

New Business:

- 1) RES will be up this to do repairs on all vehicles and fix light in from of the hall.
- 2) Ask the board of trustees to approve motion to give EMS support for the ATV/four wheeler race to be held on June 30<sup>th</sup>.
- 3) Janet Clark will be up on June 4<sup>th</sup> to set up voting booths. They will come back on the 6<sup>th</sup> to pick up the booths.
- 4) Mother's Day breakfast report to be given orally

Training for May 2018:

May 7<sup>th</sup> – Set up Mother's Day breakfast plans

May 14<sup>th</sup> – Trustee Meeting

May 21<sup>st</sup> – Pump Truck and Water Tender refresher

May 28<sup>th</sup> – EMT night

Personnel/Current members:

Wayne Rehmert, Bruce McMillan, Norma McBroom, Jeremy Gooden, Rocky Gress, Vince Marks(honorary), Brent Helnore

EMTs: Kim Gress, Michalle McMillan

Cadets in training:

Jordan Carr, Levi Gress, Bill Kunz(on hold), Tim Helnore(on hold)