

SMITH VALLEY FIRE DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES

APRIL 11, 2016 4:00PM

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

READING OF PREVIOUS MINUTES AND CORRECTIONS

PUBLIC COMMENT

CLAIMS

Moved by _____ to pay bills of _____ 2nd _____ Yes _____ No _____

TRUSTEE REPORTS/COMMENTS /COMMUNICATIONS

CHIEF'S REPORT: CHIEF HAAS

OLD BUSINESS:

CHARGE FOR SERVICES (BERG)

NEW BUSINESS:

DUNKEL APPEAL

EXECUTIVE SESSION

TRAINING REQUEST:

ADJORNMENT:

SMITH VALLEY FIRE DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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BOARD MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER: At 4:00 PM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: All Participated

ROLL CALL: A/Chair Roberts, Sec Berg, Trustees Block, Woodring. Chair Gillman excused

READING OF PREVIOUS MINUTES AND CORRECTIONS: Moved by Berg 2nd by Block to accept the minutes as posted. Passed 4 to 0

PUBLIC COMMENT: John Mello presented a letter protesting the change of meeting times. His claim was the Board was trying to limit public input. It was explained that under State Law the meetings can be held when the Board chooses.

His next question was how much of the "Rescue" vehicle use was business vs. Business. Also how much of the vehicle use was "on duty" vs. "off duty"? And can non FD Persons ride in the vehicle? It was explained the Chief, if in town, is on duty to respond and non-FD people can ride in the vehicle.

CLAIMS:

Moved by Block to pay bills of 11,442.95 2nd Woodring Passed 4 to 0

TRUSTEE REPORTS/COMMENTS /COMMUNICATIONS: Sec Berg informed the Board that the State Inter-Cap Loan interest went up from 1..250% to 1.550%.

CHIEF'S REPORT: See Attached

OLD BUSINESS:

CHARGE FOR SERVICES:

Sec. Berg presented a revision to Board Policy 005. The changes are in keeping with what other local Fire Districts are charging and the collected money would be deposited in the Fire District Account with the County. Moved by Block 2nd by Woodring to accept the changes to Article 005. The revised Article 005 is attached and the changes are highlighted.

It was moved by Berg to hire Pintler Billing Services to handle the processing of the claims for a charge of 8% as a processing fee. 2nd by Woodring . Passed 3 to 1. Block voting No.

NEW BUSINESS:

DUNKEL APPEAL, not heard as he resigned on April 3rd.

EXECUTIVE SESSION not held.

TRAINING REQUEST: None

ADJORNMENT: 4:50 PM

Chiefs Report: March 2016 Summary

Submitted: April 11, 2016 at 4:00 pm

Calls for March 2016:

NIFRS Incident Type Comparison Report:

- 12 Medical ALS
- 1 Medical BLS Yellow / Lift assist
- 1 MVA Non Injury
- 3 MVA BLS Red
- 3 MVA ALS
- 1 Traffic Control
- 1 Motor vehicle fire
- 4 Wildland / grass fire
- 2 CO exposure / other
- 1 Automatic Fire Alarm/False

29 total 11 calls in March 2015

Year to date: 87

Narrative/Discussion:

1. Billing contract proposal: Pintler Billing Service
2. Smokey Bear fire danger sign out front
3. New interior lights installed at Foy's (Thanks to James and John)

Staffing and Recruitment:

Levi Dunkl resigned.

Training Summary for March 2016:

March 1: Toxic Gases, Jon Campbell Kalispell City Fire

March 2: Cadet Task book

March 4: Academy Class

March 5: Academy Class

March 8: Truck Checks

March 9 Cadet Task book

March 11: Academy Class

March 12: Academy Class

March 15: Incident Management Teams, Greg Poncin, Montana DNRC Type I IC

March 16: Cadet Task book

March 18: Academy Class

March 19: Academy Class

March 22: Wildland Pump and roll

March 23: Cadet Task Book

March 25: Academy Class

March 26: Academy Class

March 29: Drafting & Pumping

Apparatus and equipment needs:

- Gated Wyes, 1 ½" and 2 ½"

Training Requests

None

Submitted: *DC Haas*

SMITH VALLEY FIRE DISTRICT

Board Policy: 005

Passed: April 11, 2016

CHARGES FOR SERVICES

I. Fire District Authorized: The Smith Valley Fire District is authorized under Montana Code Annotated **7-33-2101**. The Trustees have the authorization under section **7-33-2104 (2)**) “shall have five qualified trustees to govern and manage the fire district.” In addition the Trustees, as stated in section **7-33-2105, 1 (b)** “have the authority to provide adequate and standard firefighting and emergency response apparatus, equipment, personnel, housing, and facilities, including real property and emergency medical services and equipment, for the protection of the district.”

II. Funding for the Fire District: Section **7-33-2109** authorizes the collection of a tax levy to fund the Fire District. **Section 7-33-2105 (2)** All money received by the trustees must be deposited in the county treasurer's office and credited to the fire district.

III. Service Charges: The Smith Valley Fire District shall charge for responses to the following types of Incidents.

A. Out of Area Response under the Montana State Mutual Aid Plan will be billed in accordance with the State Fee Schedule.

B. Flathead County Fire Service Areas. The charge will be in accordance with the Fee Schedule published by the County Fire Service Area Board.

C. Motor Vehicle Accidents. A charge of 500.00 will be billed to the vehicle owner's insurance company.

D. Responses under the Flathead County Mutual Aid Plan to other County Fire Departments/Districts that enter the seconded operational period will be charged according to the NWCG fee schedule. These charges will be paid according to the severity of the Incident by one of the following. The Federal Emergency Management Agency or Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation or Flathead County Emergency Services..

IV. Non- Charged Incidents:

A. Responses under the Flathead County Mutual Aid Plan to other County Fire Departments/Districts. That last less than 1 operational period.

B. Structure Fires.

C. Emergency Medical Responses. MVA's Will be an exception.

V. Collection of Fees: The IC of the Incident shall obtain the required information at the scene and the District will bill the appropriate agency or Insurance Carrier.

VI. Charge for Fire District Documents:

A. Insurance Companies that request of a Fire Incident Report will be charged a fee of 25.00 per report.

B. Requests from the public for non-confidential Fire District Records will be charged at the rate of .50 for the first page and .25 per page for each additional page. And such requests shall be made in writing.