

SMITH VALLEY FIRE DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES

JANUARY 11, 2021 4:00 pm

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

READING OF PREVIOUS MINUTES/CORRECTIONS:

PUBLIC COMMENT: (PLEASE LIMIT COMMENTS TO 3 MINUTES AND STATE YOUR NAME AND ADDRESS).

CLAIMS:

7208 - Moved by _____ to pay bills of _____ 2nd _____ Yes _____ No _____

TRUSTEE REPORTS/COMMENTS /COMMUNICATIONS:

CHIEF'S REPORT: CHIEF BEICK

E.M.S. REPORT: CHIEF BEICK

OLD BUSINESS:

EMS CHARGES BOARD POLICY (BERG)

NEW BUSINESS:

PRIOR DISCUSSION TIME FRAME FOR BIG TICKET ITEMS (ROBERTS)

TRAINING REQUESTS:

ADJORNMENT:

SMITH VALLEY FIRE DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES

JANUARY 11, 2021 4:00 pm

MEETING MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER: At 4:00 PM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: All Participated

ROLL CALL: Chair Rod Gillman, Sec Berg, Trustees Roberts, Ross and Sollars

READING OF PREVIOUS MINUTES/CORRECTIONS: Moved by Ross 2nd by Sollars to approve the minutes as posted. Passed 5 to 0

PUBLIC COMMENT: Lt. Hull thanked the Trustees for the purchasing of new SCBAs. FF Hampton thanked Trustee Roberts for the Christmas dinner, in behalf of the Volunteer Crew.

CLAIMS: Fund 7208. Moved by Berg to pay bills in the amount of 24,723.16, 2nd by Ross. Passed 5 to 0

TRUSTEE REPORTS/COMMENTS /COMMUNICATIONS: Chair Gillman reported the District received a thank you letter from a citizen.

CHIEF'S REPORT: See Attached

E.M.S. REPORT: See Attached

OLD BUSINESS:

EMS CHARGES BOARD POLICY: Berg moved to revise Board Policy 005 to include charges will be made for EMS services as outlined in SVFD Policy 100. 2nd by Roberts. Passed 5 to 0

NEW BUSINESS:

PRIOR DISCUSSION TIME FRAME FOR BIG TICKET ITEMS: Roberts expressed that the Board have a policy on emergent expenditures that exceed 10,000. These expenditures should be identified and discussed in two meetings prior to a vote. The Secretary will prepare a draft of Board Policy to be sent to the Board for review prior to the Feb. 2021 meeting.

TRAINING REQUESTS: None

ADJORNMENT: 5:07 PM

Chiefs Report: December 2020 Summary

Submitted: January 11, 2021 at 4:00 pm

Calls for December 2020:

NIFRS Incident Type Comparison Report:

- 3 MVA BLS Red
- 1 Medical Remote Access – Lift Assist
- 1 Burn Pile/Recreational Fires
- 3 Automatic Fire/CO Alarms

Narrative/Discussion:

1. Total Fire related calls for 2020: 249; 202 *2019 Call Numbers*
 - Fire related incidents: 157; 94 (Auto. Fire Alarms, Wildland, Gas Odors, etc.)
 - Structure Fires: 23; 29
 - MVAs: 59; 63
 - EMS: 10; 13
 - Other: 3
 - Increase from 2019 by 47 calls.
2. We are participating in a FEMA AFG Regional Communications Grant for new radios. The AFG Grant opened January 4th.
3. We have received an anonymous donation from a member of the public for payment in full for the replacement of our SCBA fill generator. The donation has been deposited into the Auxiliary's account.
4. We are participating with West Valley Fire and several other agencies for a fill the boot fundraiser for the Bench Family.
5. Annual FF Reimbursements will be in next month's bills to pay.

Station 91:

Nothing new to report.

Station 92:

Nothing new to report.

Apparatus and equipment needs:

- Will need to purchase additional PPE for new members.

934:

- DOT inspection: Slack adjusters needed to be serviced.

- Need to have the tank to pump/tank fill valves evaluated for leaking.
- The lower preconnect valve was replaced due to leaking.

933:

- DOT Inspection: Exhaust leak under the cab, clunking in steering (slip joint below the steering wheel).
- Needs to have the tank to pump/tank fill valve rechecked, #1 discharge valve is leaking, and a leak behind the master steamer cover needs to be evaluated.

931:

- DOT inspection: Drag link tie rod end has more than ¼” play, front brakes at max allowable adjustment, no audible low air alarm, coolant low.
- Pump engine exceeded acceptable temperature during pump testing. Possible cultch fan needs to be replaced. Will remain in service until repairs are completed.

993:

- DOT Inspection: Right rear facing DOT marker light not working.

Appliances:

- Researching cost for 1.75” X 50 hose replacement.

Staffing and Recruitment:

- Our website and face book page are continuously updated to reflect that we are always looking for volunteers.
- We have 5 new members joining Smith Valley in January: Amanda Pettinato-Dudis, Tara Seager, Will Warricks, Jonny Warricks, and Jacob Warricks.

Training Summary for December 2020:

12.1.2020 Ice Rescue Training, Capt. Brower
 12.8.2020 Scott SCBA Demo, Will Allen
 12.15.2020 Holiday Dinner, Cadre
 12.22.2020 MSA SCBA Demo, Adam Sitton
 12.29.2020 No Training, Holidays

Training Requests:

None at this time

Submitted: Amy Beick, Fire Chief

EMS Report: December 2020 Summary

Submitted: January 11, 2021 at 4:00 pm

Calls for December 2020:

NIFRS Incident Type Comparison Report:

- 4 Medical ALS
- 9 Medical Special ALS
- 12 Medical BLS Red
- 3 Medical BLS Yellow
- 3 MVA BLS Red
- 1 Structure Fire (1 Mutual aid)

32 Total December 2020

34 calls December 2019

13 Transports, 0 Interfacilities, 0 Intercepts

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Narrative/Discussion:

1. We received a total of \$5,995.02 from payments through Pintler Billing during December. This total includes insurance, Medicare, Medicaid, and patient payments. Patient adjustments were \$9,190.39 for December. We billed \$30,784.80 during the month of December. We currently have \$51,377.34 in A/R. This includes insurance, Medicare, Medicaid, and patient responsibilities. This amount does not include our patient accounts that have been sent to collections.
2. We have \$40,294.94 currently active in collections. Received a total of \$3,424.32 in 2020.
3. We have 1 new past due patient account from Pintler asking if we want to pursue with collections or write off.

4. We will be receiving our Flathead County EMS Levy distribution this month. In the past the amounts have varied from \$10,000.00 - \$14,000.00. Waiting to see the Distribution sheet from the County to confirm the amount.
5. Calendar year end totals: Jan. – Dec. 2020; Jan. – Dec. 2019
 - a) Charges: \$253,967.34; \$288,911.80
 - b) Adjustments/Bad Debt: \$129,555.83; \$145,296.90
 - c) Total Payments: \$129,491.35; \$128,583.35
6. Total EMS related calls: 461; 431 *2019 Call Numbers*
 - Medical related calls: 358; 330
 - MVAs: 72; 69
 - Structure Fires: 21; 29
 - Other: 10; 3 (IFTs and EMS Standby Events)
 - Increase from 2019 by 30 calls.

Staffing and Recruitment:

- Still working on more on call Paramedics and EMTs.
- Our website and face book page are continuously updated to reflect that we are always looking for volunteer
- AEMT Amanda Pettinato-Dudis and EMT Will Warricks have joined as members.

Apparatus and equipment needs:

922

- The rear brakes including calipers and rotors need replaced. Quote: \$731.97
- Some of the new medical equipment and medications to be current with the updated Flathead County Protocols have been purchased. Will continue to purchase the needed equipment.

Training Summary for December 2020:

- 12.2.20 EMT Class: BLS Resuscitation, Capt. Brower, Chief Beick
- 12.9.20 EMT Class: Shock, Medical Overview, Assessment Skills, Capt. Brower,
Chief Beick
- 12.10.20 EMT Class: Respiratory Emergencies, Chief Beick
- 12.14.20 EMT Class: Respiratory Emergencies cont., Assessment Skills, Capt. Brower

- 12.16.20 EMT Class: Cardiologic Emergencies, Assessment Skills, Capt. Brower, Chief Beick

Training Requests:

None at this time.

Submitted: Amy Beick, Fire Chief