

SMITH VALLEY FIRE DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES

JUNE 14, 2021 4:00 pm

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER: At 4:00 PM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: All in attendance participated

ROLL CALL: Chairperson Gillman, Vice Chair Roberts, Trustees Sollars and Ross present. Sec Berg absent, excused.

READING OF PREVIOUS MINUTES/CORRECTIONS: Minutes had not been received by Board members. Item moved to July 12, 2021 agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENT: NA

CLAIMS:

Fund 7208 - Moved by Ross to pay bills in the amount of \$22,726.19, 2nd by Roberts. Passed 4 to 0.

TRUSTEE REPORTS/COMMENTS /COMMUNICATIONS: Gillman advised of communications with a District resident who was very complimentary of the service he had received from the Department. Gillman also advised of communications with the County Commissioner's office and a resident who wished to make a donation to the District.

CHIEF'S REPORT: See Attached

E.M.S. REPORT: See Attached

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

2022 Budget – Chief Beick presented a draft 2022 budget to the Trustees to be studied while we wait for final tax numbers from the County.

TRANSFER OF FUNDS – After discussion, Trustee Ross made a motion to transfer \$30,000 from fund 7208 to fund 7245. Second by Trustee Sollars, motion carried 4-0.

TRAINING REQUESTS: None at this time.

ADJORNMENT: At 4:55 PM

Chiefs Report: May 2021 Summary
Submitted: June 14, 2021 at 4:00 pm

Calls for May 2021:

NIFRS Incident Type Comparison Report:

- 2 MVA ALS
- 1 MVA BLS Red
- 1 Medical ALS (CPR)
- 2 Structure Fires (2 mutual aid)
- 1 Chimney Fire
- 1 Gas Odor
- 4 Automatic Fire/CO Alarms
- 1 Traffic Control
- 1 Public Service

14 Total May 2021

30 calls in May 2020

Narrative/Discussion:

1. Firehouse Grant: Opens July 6th Total requested: \$17,778.00.
 - A. 6 sets of Fire Dex Tec turnouts: Cost: \$15,300.00
 - B. 6 pairs of Fire Dex structure gloves. Cost: \$558.00
 - C. 6 pairs of Lion Structure Boots. Cost: \$1,920.00
2. Fire Academy update: Firefighters Tara Seager, Tiffany Riley, Kristy Metcalfe have completed the academy.
3. Wildland assignments:
 - A. May 19th Tender 993 was assigned to the Green Box Fire north of Whitefish.

Station 91:

Nothing new to report.

Station 92:

Nothing new to report.

Apparatus and equipment needs:

- Received a \$2,000.00 donation for the purchase of 2 new TICs (\$995.00 ea.)
- Will need to purchase additional PPE for new members.

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:

- The mechanical seal has a slight leak.
- Pump engine exceeded acceptable temperature during pump testing. Possible cultch fan needs to be replaced. Will remain in service until repairs are completed.

Appliances:

- Researching cost for 1.75" X 50 hose replacement.

Staffing and Recruitment:

- New member: Avvy Smithe
- Our website and face book page are continuously updated to reflect that we are always looking for volunteers.

Training Summary for May 2021:

5.1.2021 FF 1 Academy: Structural Search & Rescue, Skills, Capt. Brower and Chief Beick

5.4.2021 Apparatus readiness, SCBA in service, Cadre

5.7.2021 FF 1 Academy: Incident Scene Operations & NIMS, Capt. Brower

5.8.2021 FF 1 Academy: Ropes & Knots, Skills, Capt. Brower and Chief Beick

- 5.11.2021 Driver Training, Cadre
- 5.14.2021 FF 1 Academy: Overhaul, Property Conservation, & Scene Preservation, Chief Beick
- 5.15.2021 FF 1 Academy: Wildland I-Zone, Skills, Capt. Brower, Chief Beick
- 5.18.2021 Wildland Progressive Hose Lay, Engine Ops, Capt. Brower and Chief Beick
- 5.21.2021 FF 1 Academy: Vehicle Extrication and Fires, Capt. Brower
- 5.22.2021 FF 1 Academy: Vehicle Extrication Skills, Capt. Brower and Chief Beick
- 5.25.2021 FF 1 Academy: Live Fire Training, Car Fire, Capt. Brower and Chief Beick

Training Requests:

- None at this time.

Submitted: Amy Beick, Fire Chief

EMS Report: May 2021 Summary

Submitted: June 14, 2021 at 4:00 pm

Calls for May 2021:

NIFRS Incident Type Comparison Report:

- 4 Medical ALS
- 20 Medical BLS Red
- 11 Medical BLS Yellow
- 2 MVA ALS (1 Mutual aid)
- 1 MVA BLS Red
- 2 Structure Fire (2 mutual aid)

40 Total May 2021

37 calls May 2020

14 Transports, 0 Interfacilities, 0 Intercepts

17 Transports, 0 Interfacility, 0 Intercepts

Narrative/Discussion:

1. We received a total of \$14,486.99 from payments through Pintler Billing during May. This total includes insurance, Medicare, Medicaid, and patient payments. Patient adjustments/bad debt were \$11,566.51 for May. We billed \$20,578.80 during the month of May. We currently have \$38,227.01 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 \$40,635.25 currently active in collections. Received a total of \$929.58 in 2021.
3. We have 5 new past due patient account from Pintler asking if we want to pursue with collections or write off.
4. Grants:
 - a. MDT Grant opened May 1st and closes June 30th. Will be applying for a new ambulance to replace Medic 922 (red bus). There is a 10% match for this grant. Currently working on grant support letters and updated our narratives for the grant.
5. Flathead County EMS Levy Funds: Waiting on finalized disbursement totals. Estimated total is \$12,000.00 (195 calls X \$37.00/call + \$5,000.00 for readiness)

Staffing and Recruitment:

- New EMT: Avvy Smithe will be testing her NREMT this week.
- 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 volunteers.

Apparatus and equipment needs:

- Replaced the batteries.
- Having electrical issues with the Kussmaul charging system.

- 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 May 2021:

- None due to Fire Academy

Training Requests:

- None at this time.

Submitted: Amy Beick, Fire Chief