

SMITH VALLEY FIRE DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES

JANUARY 10, 2022 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:

TAX FREE STATUS (BERG)

NEW BUSINESS:

TRAINING REQUESTS:

ADJORNMENT:

SMITH VALLEY FIRE DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES

JANUARY 10, 2022 4:00 pm

MEETING MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER: At 4:00 PM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: All present participated

ROLL CALL: Chair Gillman, Sec. Berg, Trustees Ross, Sollars. Roberts absent excused

READING OF PREVIOUS MINUTES/CORRECTIONS: Moved by Sollars 2nd by Ross to approve the minutes from 12- 13-2021 meeting as posted. Passed 4 to 0

PUBLIC COMMENT: Rob Peterson from Kila was in attendance. Stated he was a retiree FF from Calif. And just wanted to see what was going on. He was happy being in the area.

CLAIMS, Fund 7208:

Moved by Berg to pay bills in the amount of 28,210.74. 2nd by Ross. Passed 4 to 0

TRUSTEE REPORTS/COMMENTS /COMMUNICATIONS: Chair Gillman reported the District received two thank you letters with donations, which will be deposited with County.

CHIEF'S REPORT: See Attached

E.M.S. REPORT: See attached

OLD BUSINESS:

TAX FREE STATUS: Berg: Reported on his visit with a CPA regarding the formation of a 501 (c) (3). He agreed to do the paperwork, except of the Articles of Incorporation which should be done by an Attorney. Also he pointed out that the application would have to wait until after Tax time as the firm was very busy at this time.

Moved by Sollars and 2nd by Ross to procure a 501 (c) (3) expending funds up to 1500.00

Passed 4 to, 0

NEW BUSINESS: None

TRAINING REQUESTS: None

ADJORNMENT: At 4:49 PM

Chiefs Report: December 2021 Summary

Submitted: January 10, 2022, at 4:00 pm

Calls for December 2021:

NIFRS Incident Type Comparison Report:

- 1 Medical ALS (CPR/ALERT)
- 9 MVA BLS Red
- 4 Structure Fires (Mutual aid 3)
- 1 Grass/Wildfire
- 1 Burn Pile/Recreational Fire
- 1 Animal Rescue
- 14 Public Services

31 calls December 2021

8 calls in December 2020

Narrative/Discussion:

1. Updating both offices with new paint and some office furniture.
2. Total Fire related calls for 2021: 289; 2020: 249; 2019: 202; *2020/2019 Call Numbers*
 - Fire related incidents: 2021: 200; 2020: 157; 2019: 94 (Auto. Fire Alarms, Wildland, Gas Odors, etc.)
 - Structure Fires: 2021: 40; 2020: 23; 2019: 29
 - MVAs: 2021: 66; 2020: 59; 2019: 63
 - EMS: 2021: 6; 2020: 10; 2019: 13
 - Other: 2021: 0; 2020: 3; 2019: 0
 - Increase from 2020 by 40 calls (16% increase); 2019 by 87 calls (43%).
3. Annual Firefighter Reimbursement: Nine members qualified for the reimbursement.
Total: \$2,700.00

Station 91:

1. HVAC Repair/Replace Update: **Waiting on a quote for Comfort Systems**
 - A. Downstairs furnace the heat exchanger is cracked and needs to be replaced.
 - I. Central Heating suggests replacing the entire unit due to age of the furnace. Cost: \$5,129.00 - \$7,730.00
 - II. Comfort Systems (7.14.21) and Ogle Heating (8.3.21) are scheduled for second opinion and estimates.
 - B. Upstairs refrigeration coil is leaking water into the duct work and leaking into the radio room and training room.
 - I. Central Heating provided 3 options:
 - a. Replace the refrigeration coil. Coil in on back order with no eta. Cost: \$3,400.00-\$4,000.00.
 - b. Replace the refrigeration coil and AC with a Lennox coil and AC. Cost: \$7,000.00 - \$9,000.00.

- c. Replace the refrigeration coil, AC, and furnace. Cost: \$12,000 - \$24,000.
- III. Comfort Systems replaced the thermostat with a remote sensor thermostat. Cost: \$419.00
 - a. Worked for several weeks but started to leak again last week. Comfort Systems are scheduled for the 22nd to come back out.

Station 92:

Nothing new to report.

Apparatus and equipment needs:

933:

- DOT Inspection: Exhaust leak under the cab, clunking in steering (slip joint below the steering wheel).

931:

- The mechanical seal has a slight leak.

982

- Parts are on order to rebuild the pump. Debris became lodged in the impeller and needs bearings replaced.

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.

EMS Report: December 2021 Summary

Submitted: January 10, 2022, at 4:00 pm

Calls for December 2021:

NIFRS Incident Type Comparison Report:

- 9 Medical ALS
- 21 Medical BLS Red
- 13 Medical BLS Yellow
- 1 MVA ALS (1 mutual aid)
- 10 MVA BLS Red (1 mutual aid)
- 3 Structure Fires (2 mutual aid)

57 calls December 2021

32 calls December 2020

22 Transports, 0 Interfacilities, 0 Intercepts

13 Transports, 0 Interfacilities, 0 Intercepts

Narrative/Discussion:

1. We received a total of \$19,542.75 from payments through Pintler Billing during December. This total includes insurance, Medicare, Medicaid, and patient payments. Patient adjustments/bad debt were \$14,004.77 for December. We billed \$27,647.20 during the month of December. We currently have \$64,781.42 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 \$48,515.06 currently active in collections. Received a total of \$1,730.33 in 2021.
3. We have 0 new past due patient accounts and 0 FAF requesting approval from Pintler asking if we want to pursue with collections or write off.
4. We hosted 8 FVCC EMT students for ride alongs during December.

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 volunteers.

Apparatus and equipment needs:

922 – Out of Service

- Having mechanical power issues. The engine has stalled twice. Once while transporting a patient to the ER and the second time was while running code to a CPR in progress call.
- Electrical charging system does not produce enough charge to keep the power load stretcher system charged while plugged into the shoreline. Had a technician from Stryker look the system over and found no defect with the power load 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 December 2021:

12.20.21 EMT Airway Endorsement Class, Chief Beick
12.21.21 EMT IV/IO Initiation and Maintenance Endorsement Class, Chief Beick
12.22.21 EMT Medication Endorsement Class, Chief Beick

Training Requests:

- None at this time.

Submitted: Amy Beick, Fire Chief

