

SMITH VALLEY FIRE DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES

MARCH 14, 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

MARCH 14, 2022 4:00 pm

MEETING MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER: At 4:00 PM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: All present Participate

ROLL CALL: Chair Gillman, Sec. Berg, Trustee Roberts, Ross and Sollars

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

PUBLIC COMMENT: NA

AT THIS POINT THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 4:03 UNTILL 4:46 TO DISCUSS ISSUES WITH ATTORNEY Grant Snell concerning a 501(c) 3 for the "Friends of the Smith Valley Fire District Inc.

CLAIMS: Fund 7208 Ross, 2nd by Roberts to pay bills in the amount of 27,066.77. Passed 5 to, 0.

TRUSTEE REPORTS/COMMENTS /COMMUNICATIONS: Gilman reported a several letters of thanks with donations included. Money to be deposited with the County

CHIEF'S REPORT: See Attached

E.M.S. REPORT: See Attached

OLD BUSINESS:

TAX FREE STATUS: Berg reported that as soon as the Attorney made the requested changes to the paperwork for the "Friends of Smith Valley Fire District' those changes would be forwarded to the Board.

NEW BUSINESS: During the Chief's report for EMS, she explained that the State was funding the purchase of iPads and cellular connectivity. She further explained the advantages of the device for both EMS and Fire Response. It was moved by Berg to obtain 2 iPads and cell service, 2nd by Sollars. Passed 4 to 1. Roberts voting No

TRAINING REQUESTS: None

ADJORNMENT: At 5:25 PM

Chiefs Report: February 2022 Summary

Submitted: March 14, 2022, at 4:00 pm

Calls for February 2022:

NIFRS Incident Type Comparison Report:

- 2 MVA BLS Red
- 6 Structure Fires (mutual aid:4)
- 1 Grass/Wildfire
- 1 Animal Rescue
- 3 Automatic Fire/CO Alarms
- 12 Public Services

25 calls February 2022

18 calls in February 2021

Narrative/Discussion:

1. Annual Firefighter Academy is scheduled to begin the first weekend of March. The academy will run through April. We have 3 members that will be participating in the academy. We also have interest from members of Evergreen, Bigfork, and Martin City Fire Departments.

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

- Repairs to the pump and pump transmission have been completed. Montana Truck Works; Cost: \$4,355.29

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.

Training Summary for February 2022:

2.1.2022	Ice Rescue, classroom portion, (KFD and SKFD), Capt. Brower
2.4.2022	ICS 300, *Chief Beick attended
2.5.2022	ICS 300, *Chief Beick attended
2.5.2022	Ice Rescue, hands on portion at Foy's Lake, (KFD and SKFD), Capt. Brower
2.8.2022	Pre-plan site visit for Montana Canna, Cadre
2.15.2022	Rogers Lake Structure Fire AAR, Chief Beick
2.22.2022	No Training
2.25.2022	ICS 400, *Chief Beick attended
2.26.2022	ICS 400, *Chief Beick attended

Training Requests:

- None at this time.

Submitted: Amy Beick, Fire Chief

EMS Report: February 2022 Summary

Submitted: March 14, 2022, at 4:00 pm

Calls for February 2022:

NIFRS Incident Type Comparison Report:

- 9 Medical ALS
- 16 Medical BLS Red
- 6 Medical BLS Yellow
- 3 MVA BLS Red (mutual aid: 1)
- 5 Structure Fires (mutual aid: 3)

39 calls February 2022

33 calls February 2021

15 Transports, 0 Interfacilities, 0 Intercepts

14 Transports, 0 Interfacilities, 1 Intercepts

Narrative/Discussion:

1. We received a total of \$8,727.22 from payments through Pintler Billing during February. This total includes insurance, Medicare, Medicaid, and patient payments. Patient adjustments/bad debt were \$12,310.49 for February. We billed \$39,348.20 during the month of February. We currently have \$70,042.15 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. New ambulance fund balance: \$23,409.25
5. State Reimbursement Grant opportunity for new iPads and cellular connectivity.

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 February 2022:

- None

Training Requests:

- None at this time.

Submitted: Amy Beick, Fire Chief