

SMITH VALLEY FIRE DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES

SEPTEMBER 12, 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:

FINAL BUDGET REVIEW (CHIEF)

NEW BUSINESS:

AMBULANCE REPLACEMENT (GILLMAN/CHIEF)

TRAINING REQUESTS:

ADJORNMENT:

SMITH VALLEY FIRE DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES

SEPTEMBER 12, 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 Roberts, Ross and Sollars

READING OF PREVIOUS MINUTES/CORRECTIONS: Moved by Berg to make two changes to the 08-08-2022 . 2nd by Ross passed 5 -0

PUBLIC COMMENT: NoOne in Attendance

CLAIMS: Fund 7108

Moved by Sollars to pay bills of 36,228.88 2nd Berg Passed 5 to 0

TRUSTEE REPORTS/COMMENTS /COMMUNICATIONS: Several letters and donations were received from citizens of the Fire district.

CHIEF'S REPORT: See Attached

E.M.S. REPORT: See attached

OLD BUSINESS:

FINAL BUDGET REVIEW After reviewing the Budget for FY 2022-2023 it mirrored the Budget the Trustees passed by Resolution, 2022-3 passed in July 2022. Moved by Ross, 2nd confirm the Budget for the coming year Passed 5 to 0.

NEW BUSINESS:

AMBULANCE REPLACEMENT: After much discussion: Roberts moved to pursue the purchase of the Ambulance as posted in the email from the Dealer, Provided it has under 3.500 engine hours. 2nd by Ross. Passed 5 to 0

TRAINING REQUESTS: None

ADJORNMENT: 5:45

Chiefs Report: August 2022 Summary

Submitted: September 12, 2022, at 4:00 pm

Calls for August 2022:

NIFRS Incident Type Comparison Report:

- 1 Medical ALS – CPR
- 1 MVA ALS
- 4 MVA BLS Red
- 2 Grass/Wildfire

- 5 Smoke Investigations – Outside
- 1 Agency Assist – Elmo Fire
- 3 Burn Pile/Rec Fires
- 1 Automatic Fire/CO Alarms
- 1 Public Service

19 calls August 2022

20 calls in August 2021

Narrative/Discussion:

1. 2022 Wildland Assignments:

- I. August 1st Engine 982 provided structure protection for the Elmo 2 Fire. \$2,142.00 (total July 29th – Aug 1st)
- II. August 14th Tender 993 provided water for the Bear Springs Fire. \$1,350.00
- III. August 17th -20th Tender 993 provided water for the Grubb Mountain Fire. ~\$5,000.00
- IV. August 22nd Tender 993 provided water for the Barnum Fire. \$1,404.00

2. August 6th: We provided CPR and Stop The Bleed Training to DNRC

3. August 15th: Annual Fire Hose Testing was performed. We had one section of 2.5" fail due to a coupling slip.

4. We are hosting a Halloween Haunted House Oct. 30th, 1600-1900, costume contest, baked goods silent auction 1700-1800, and food trucks.

5. Friends of Smith Valley Fire District:

- Fundraising Committee meet 9.8.22
- Projects completed:
 - Social Media platform
 - Amazon Smile
 - Costco Grant: \$50.00 gift card for the pancake breakfast
 - Walmart Grant: \$1,300.00 for scene lighting

- Current projects being worked on:
 - Donation tab on website
 - Fundraising ideas/needs/schedule
 - Pancake Breakfast Oct. 15th, 0700-1100 (Budget)
 - Corporate Sponsorship, have a message into the Co. Attorney

Station 91:

1. HVAC Repair/Replace Update: **Work has been completed on the coil**
 - A. Upstairs refrigeration coil is leaking water into the duct work and leaking into the radio room and training room.
 - I. Comfort Systems:
 - a. Replace refrigeration coil with same brand. (no longer on back order)
 - i. Cost: \$3,718.00
2. Repairs to the radio room ceiling will begin in the next week as time allows.

Station 92:

1. None to report.

Apparatus and equipment needs:

931:

- The mechanical seal has a slight leak.

933:

- Exhaust manifold has been repaired. Parts \$28.62, Labor done in house: ~2 hrs. Clunking in steering and pulling to the right: Montana Truck Works verified the alignment was good, safety check on brakes was performed and passed, rotated front tires, and adjusted the steering shaft. Cost \$721.14.

952:

- Overheating issue has been resolved. New radiator was installed. Parts: \$500.00. Labor done in house: ~3 hrs

981: (1993)

- The clutch has been replaced. Cost for parts: ~\$580.00 + \$408.99 for shop equipment. Labor in house: ~8-10 hrs.

991: (1987)

- The trash pump (volume pump) has been replaced. Pump cost: North Ridge \$502.50 (246 gpm @ 39 psi) + Misc. fittings ~\$71.00 = \$573.50. Labor done in house: ~5-6 hours

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 August 2022:

8.2.2022 Wettington Water System, DEQ and DNRC
8.16.2022 Work night, Cadre
8.23.2022 Sandbox, Wildland Scenarios, Task books, Capt. Brower
8.30.2022 Low Angle Rescue, Patient assessment and Packaging, Offsite, Capt. Brower and Chief Beick

Training Requests:

- None at this time.

Submitted: Amy Beick, Fire Chief

EMS Report: August 2022 Summary

Submitted: September 12, 2022, at 4:00 pm

Calls for August 2022:

NIFRS Incident Type Comparison Report:

- 14 Medical ALS
- 24 Medical BLS Red
- 8 Medical BLS Yellow
- 1 MVA ALS
- 5 MVA BLS Red – Mutual aid:1
- 1 MVA Yellow – Mutual aid:1
- 1 Structure Fire – Mutual aid:1
- 1 Public Service

55 calls August 2022

20 Transports, 1 Interfacilities, 0 Intercepts

66 calls August 2021

28 Transports, 6 Interfacilities, 0 Intercepts

Narrative/Discussion:

1. We received a total of \$10,702.69 from payments through Pintler Billing during August. This total includes insurance, Medicare, Medicaid, and patient payments. Patient adjustments/bad debt were \$14,485.09 for August. We billed \$42,176.40 during the month of August. We currently have \$54,223.40 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 \$58,840.44 currently active in collections. Received a total of \$610.75 in 2022.
3. We have 3 new past due patient accounts and 1 FAF requesting approval from Pintler asking if we want to pursue with collections or write off.
4. New ambulance fund balance: \$36,415.45.

5. Still working with Ryan Pitts with Logan Health to develop an IFT contract and establish a call hierarchy for IFTs.

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:

921:

- Purchased new summer tires. Cost: \$1,314.00

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.
- NEW: Had to be towed from GPIA during an IFT for Life Flight. Smog pump/pulley seized and broke the serpentine belt. The torque converter clutch needed to be replaced and transmission needs to be rebuilt. Quote: \$3,200 - \$4,800.00. Side note: the engine is also worn out.
- 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 August 2022:

- 8.30.22 Low Angle Rescue, Patient assessment and Packaging, Offsite, Capt. Brower and Chief Beick

Training Requests:

- None at this time.

Submitted: Amy Beick, Fire Chief