

RED CREEK VOLUNTEER FIRE & RESCUE

Minutes of the Board of Directors meeting, held on December 4, 2017, at the Fire Station located at 2579 Canyon Heights Road, Pueblo, Colorado, 81005.

Board Members Present: Kennette Oldham, Tammy Toxvard, and Bill Hokanson

Board Members Absent: Julie Donohue

Firefighters Present: Chief Darrell Mather, Asst. Chief Carrie Mather, Pam and Justin Youngren

Guests Present: Sally Martin

Call Meeting to Order:

President Kennette Oldham called the meeting to order at 7:08 pm.

Minutes of Previous Meetings:

A motion was made by Tammy to accept these minutes without exception and seconded by Kennette. The motion carried.

Treasurer's Report:

The Treasurer's Report was presented by Bill Hokanson, and a copy was e-mailed to all of the board members prior to this meeting. The Fire Department received a \$500.00 donation from Hempfield Farms. A motion was made by Tammy to accept the Treasurer's Report without exception and was seconded by Kennette. The motion carried.

Fire Chief's Report:

Chief Mather submitted his monthly report orally during the meeting and will follow-up with a written report later in the week. There were 3 calls and a total of 4 reported to NFIRS last month 1 fire, 1 car accident not in district, 1 Parade of Lights and 1 suicide attempt. Brush 4 needs work on the lights, Engine 1 is almost complete. The department needs better response from its members to calls for night calls.

Medical Report:

Asst. Chief Carrie Mather submitted her monthly report orally during the meeting and will follow-up with a written report later in the week. Asst. Chief Carrie Mather stated there was 1 suicide call for last month. Sally Martin is interested in joining the fire department and the board. She is an RN with pediatric experience and registered as a trainer and would like to do the fire department BLS and pediatric advanced life support training. Kennette asked about Carrie's title as medical director and the liabilities to the fire department and her personally it was suggested the title should be changed to Medical Training Officer.

Web Masters Report:

No Report

Old Business:

- Tammy took the 2 classes required for insurance for the year to lower the department's rates. The classes were "Slips, Trips and Falls" and a Basic First Aid class.
- Kennette will look into an insurance that may cost us less. She will bring the information to the next meeting.
- Carrie has been working on the posters and flyers for the chili cook off and they are already being posted and they will go in the newsletter. When they check into tents they will also check into heaters. A display of the equipment that was purchased would be set up by Darrell. We will have a meeting January 7 at 3 pm located at Tammy's house.
- Plaques will be ordered.
- PA system for the department was approved.
- Budget was discussed. Bill motioned to approve and was seconded by Kennette.
- EMR classes would be available February 10, 17 and 24 this is a three weekend course. \$300 cost for the book down load.
- Susan Chase needs to supply the department with the 2016 minutes. Kennette and Tammy will contact and also request web site passwords. Kennette requested an email giving her a list of everything needed.
- Bill and Carrie went to an NFIRS class and they felt they learned a lot that will help the department get more grant money. Darrel also took a hazmat class and can instruct the department. This class did not cost the department anything.

New Business:

- Bill stated that the department needs to address a Drug free work place in regards to marijuana legalization to ensure everyone agrees with the policy this would also include drinking. The board members agreed to sign the policy and it will be brought to the rest of the department. A motion was made by Kennette and was seconded by Bill. The motion carried.
- Sally is interested in being a member of the department board. Sally has been an RN for the last 15 years in a pediatric trauma center and the last 5 years on the pediatric transport team. Sally has her national registry certification for training. She spent 6 years in the Army. She will discuss with her husband before she makes a decision.

Next Board Meeting:

The next regular board meeting is scheduled for Monday, January 8, 2017 at 1900. Kennette motioned to adjourn the meeting and Bill seconded.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:40 pm.