

Wood River Fire/Rescue Department
Minutes of Meeting
2/17/2014

President Roger Dvorak called meeting to order at 20:20 hours.

Roll call taken.

Minutes of last meeting approved as presented.

Fire Dept. Treasurer:

Treasurer Reports given

Bills submitted for payment: Motion by Ken F. & seconded by Brian U. to pay Bills. Motion carried.

Ambulance Treasurer Report:

Treasurer Reports given.

Bills submitted for payment. Motion by Matt M. & seconded by Seth B. to pay bills. Motion carried.

Fire Chief Report

Reported that the Mutual Aid Meeting discussed skill level tag for your helmets. Mutual Aid accountability system in place

Discussion held on Husker Harvest Days. Wood River doesn't want to participate. Idea of setting up mutual aid unit & we will bill for our unit.

Mutual Aid going to 2 times per year, instead of 4 times per year for meetings. Wood River, Alda, Cairo & Shelton will do trainings.

Noted that March 28 & 30, Aurora will be putting on fire school. Todd mentioned it is a good school.

Dues will stay the same for Mutual Aid, using the money for guest speakers etc.

Todd commended Nate for his work on the fire training exercise. Did an excellent job.

Ambulance Captain

Skills for paramedics, Julie S., Nick L., and Brian U. to take test.
Nick noted that we need to update all our files and get all current certificates in the files.

Had 12 EMS calls and 4 Fire Calls.

Noted that we still need to do a better job on paperwork. Mileage needs better documentation, noted that all documentation needs to be completed and into the State within 72 hours.

Training Officer

Trying to put another burn class on, another practice smoke training burn for March 3.

Would like to purchase another thermal imaging battery (blue), as the one we have won't hold charge.

Safety Officer

Discussed parking fire/ems vehicles on scene, do it as safely as possible.

Fire Prevention

Jeni mentioned we needed some scrap booking work done.
Wanted thank you notes sent to Zach Mayhew, Jim Skeen, Cairo Fire Dept. for their work they did at the Helmet Blessing ceremonies.
Motion made by Todd & seconded by Matt M. to give Jim Skeen \$100.00 Visa card
Motion carried, Jeni will get the card, Judy to send out thank yous.

Dance Committee

Brian noted that everything is in the works.
Dance is March 29 at Babels Barn, with Borderline playing.
Todd is to get the recruitment letter done so that it can go out with the dance mailing.
Noted we should bump our mailing up about 2-2 ½ weeks.

Old Business

Todd K. put his name on the Prosser Board Meeting agenda for their upcoming meeting.
Insurance covered all of the antenna cost (\$13,000) except for \$500.00. Talked to Monte M. about hole in roof, will follow up on that conversation.
Money from Grace Koepp Foundation, Todd made a "hot" list as to how to spend the money
SCBA enclosed chambers, more information is needed on this item.
4 gas analyzers \$850.
Read a list of items that we would like to have for the department.
Discussion held on items needed
Motion made by Brian U & seconded by Chris to purchase some of the items discussed (wildland gear, bumper nozzles on trucks, radios, gas monitors) Motion carried.

After discussion on the wildland gear, motion made by Nate & seconded by Brian U

to purchase 6 sets of wildland gear and submit the city for payment.
Motion carried.

Motion made by Nate & seconded by Judy to purchase bumper nozzle assemblies from Fire Tech with donated money totaling \$2200.00.
Motion carried.

Motion made by Todd & seconded by Jeni to purchase 15 sets of facemasks with carbon filters from equipment budget. Motion carried.

Motion made by Todd & seconded by Nate to purchase approx. 10-11 radios or \$2000.00 using donated money. Motion carried.

New Business

Nick made a motion and seconded by Ken F. to raise EMS billing rates
Motion carried.

Nelson made motion to let Bountiful Baskets use the building for their distribution of the goods, which they had presented to the board earlier in the evening. Noted that a member of the fire department needed to be present, seconded by Seth, motion carried.

Declined giving donation to Post Prom per letter we received from Post Prom Committee.

Urby discussed new AED's and new med bag for his use. Nate made motion for Urby to Purchase 2 AED's & bag spending up to \$1000.00 out of the donated money from Grace Koepp Foundation money. Seconded by Kyle, motion carried.

Discussion held on membership status of 2 people.

Motion made by Nate and seconded by Chris not to extend probationary period of Ryan Powell. Motion carried to terminate.

Motion made by Ken F. & seconded by Todd K. not to extend probationary period of Jon Heminger. Motion carried to terminate.

Ken Fairbanks moved to adjourn meeting at 22:00 hours.
Seconded by Todd, motion carried.

Submitted by

Judy Knecht
Secretary