

Wood River Fire/Rescue
Minutes of Meeting
October 16, 2023

Attendance: Nick L., Nate, Layce, Judy, Brady, Nelson, Matt M., Jenie, Brian U., Nick E., Darrin, Todd, Chad, Logan, Nikki, Dan, Dakota, Josh

Meeting brought to order by President Jenie Maloney at 8:09 p.m.

Minutes of last meeting presented for approval.

Corrections noted to last months meeting.

Brian Urbom was omitted from 20th Anniversary committee of firefighters death.

Typo error for department radios from \$1000.00 to \$10,000.00.

Fire department members thanked by Nate for staying till 4.m. at fire was Nick E not Nick L.

Motion to approve minutes with above noted changes by Layce, with second by Darrin.

Motion carried

Fire Treasure Report:

Bills submitted for approval.

Jenie authorized John to write checks due to his absence.

Ambulance Treasure Report:

Noted we received \$1800.00 memorial from Wilbert Schultz, will be used for radios.

Motion by Nate with second by Darrin to accept donation to be used for radios.

Motion carried.

Presidents Report:

Jenie noted that Veronicas benefit is coming up November 18, can we help with bar and Wood River department will put out boot, and maybe raffle basket. Jenie volunteered to make basket up.

Halloween Hamburger Feed is October 31. Will have station clean-up on Monday October, 23 at 6:30.

School fire Prevention is Monday, October 23rd.

Fire Chief report:

Nate noted that the radio cost will be \$59,883.18. \$1800.00 donation from Schultz along with the \$4500.00 grant going toward the radio cost, department needs to come up with \$3600.00 which will be split 50/50 Fire & EMS.

Nate would like to bill for all fire calls, structure fires, field fires, vehicles. Conversation regarding this to be discussed.

Nick L. brought up assigning trucks, take care of truck you are assigned to, checking trucks on a rotational basis.

Cadets will be filling out fire lists for the year.

Rescue Captain Report:

Nick noted that the EMT class continues and is doing very well.

Conference Friday in Kearney. Good conference to attend.

Noted no dollars brought in this month.

Safety Officer report:

Nelson noted besides the harvest season still going on and the need to beware of field fires, and equipment on the road, also be aware of hazards in the workplace. Look things over, and make changes if needed.

Fire Training:

November training will be extrication by Josh & Nate. Last month's training was EVOC, noting should have name on checklist for vehicles authorized to drive.

Mutual Aid talked about Red Card class. Todd will be getting information at Mutual Aid meeting.

Fire Prevention:

School visits will be 8:30 to around 2:00 for fire department visits. Judy, Todd, Layce can help Jenie with visits. Friday, October 27, preschool to tour building

Purchased a RZR-s Polaris ranger for task force. Needs lights, light bars and radios were donated. Trailer needs new floor, and this is being taken care of. Wood River will store in our facility. Noted Strike team received a \$5500.00 grant

Nate is attending a class on November 7. He also noted that he helped with CERT team this last weekend.

Committee Report

Went over Halloween feed.

Dance committee, Josh talked to Phil about cooking up some meat .

Discussed having a dinner for the 20th Anniversary on Friday before dance.

Also discussed having challenge coins, lapel pins for this, to be decided later on.

Todd made motion to spend \$1000.00 for the cabinets.

Matt M. second the motion,

Motion carried.

Old Business:

N/A

New business:

Rifle club to have a shoot, is Wood River Fire interested.

Axe Holes in Grand Island is offering a night free of charge to Wood River Fire.

If interested, let Darrin know.

Todd gave update on thermal cameras. Cameras are \$4350.00 per camera.

Received \$5000.00, will have to wait for second camera.

Announcements:

Nelson has squash if anyone is interested, please let him know.

Dan and Brady 3 month probation periods are up.

Dan: Good candidate, attending EMT class.

Motion by Nick L with second by Josh to continue to 9 months period.

Brady: Good job showing up to calls. Needed some suggestion about attitude.

Motion by nate with second by Josh to continue to 9 month period.

Motion carried.

With no further business to discuss, motion by Nate with second by Layce to adjourn meeting.

Motion carried and meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

Submitted by

Judy Knecht
Secretary

