2021-08-05 Fire/EMS Meeting Minutes

The August Fire/EMS Meeting was called to order by Chief Nichols at 18:05 on Thursday August 5, 2021. The pledge was recited and roll call was taken.

Secretary & Treasurer Reports

The minutes from the June 3rd, 2021 meeting were read and approved. The treasurer report was read and approved.

Correspondence

We have received many comments thanking us for the picnic. Nobody has heard anything about the picnic drone footage. Our recruitment efforts are getting some responses. National Night Out was a success.

Old Business

The DNR grant was submitted. The CHEMTREC grant is being applied for. The AFG will be opening soon.

Maintenance was discussed. The side flashers, rear rotators, strobes are all not working on 701 and rear parking lights / clearance lights are intermittent since the recent fire at the resort. The UTV trailer brakes have been fixed. Lenehan is fixing the ambo strobes. 701 still has a lengthy maintenance list.

Purchases and donations were discussed. The parts for 702 hard suction and standpipe are in. Bay lights were discussed. Rodaer feels this should be funded by the town. Dept would like a fan installed for the picnic at the time lights are replaced and also lighting under the loft. Brown will be getting information on solar panels. The chairs are delivered and we need tables next.

New Business

Rodaer is sending Lenehan a list of radio parts to get ordered from the fire budget.

A motion was made and passed to spend up to \$700 of FAP money to purchase a new computer for entering run reports and use the old computer for eDispatches display in the apparatus bay.

Behrens got some textbooks donated from NVFC.

A motion was made and passed to spend \$2747.04 of FAP money to purchase a compliant AED for the ambulance.

The AED at the post office was discussed. It has been removed from service due to a dead battery and we cannot get replacement parts because the FDA will make it non-compliant on Feb 3 2022. A motion was made and passed to table the issue for one month to see if we can get funding or donations to replace it.

Committee Reports

None

Service Director Report

The trauma activation came in. A set of vitals has to be done prior to leaving the scene. Refresher for EMR will be 16 credits EMT will be 40 and he will see if Westman can do the class. New FAP opens in August.

Training Report

EMS training was not held. June fire training was vehicle extrication and July was forcible entry / ventilation. August training will be pump ops and jet siphon. Alvin EVOC is completed but ELDO Part 2 is canceled due to lack of participation.

Recent Calls

Recent Fire, EMS, HazMat, and Service calls were discussed.

Membership Changes

A motion was made and passed to remove Bryan Krupinski, Stephanie Krupinski, and Cody Cardenas from the membership rolls due to them moving out of the area.

A motion was made and passed to accept Matt Mezydlo and Calvin Kesweder to probationary membership. Matt will be a driver for the ambulance and Calvin will be a firefighter.

John Rodaer resigned from his position of Assistant EMS Chief effective a few weeks ago. He will stay a firefighter/EMT but not be an officer. Chief Nichols accepted the resignation and appointed Donald Lenehan as Assistant EMS Chief.

Open Floor Discussion

A motion was made to change the bylaws to remove all officer positions except Chief and one Assistant Chief, on emergency scenes and everything else it would just be by length of time on the department regardless of training/qualifications or meeting/training attendance. There was no second.

The roster was discussed. Chief Nichols will follow up with some individuals to find out their intentions of continuing on the department.

Chief Nichols changed the default fireground channel to Blue instead of Red.

A motion was made to stop checking the oil and fluids on the trucks. There was no second.

Birthdays / Anniversaries

Birthday - Step 8/13, Kerker 8/29 / Anniversary - Kahl 8/7 13 yrs

Meeting Adjourned and Routine Maintenance

Adjourned 20:14