

## Fire District #16 Minutes for August 20, 2007

### Attendees

Commissioners: Wright, Prater and Kenyon

Fire Chief: Jim Wheeler

Secretary: Ken Thompson-absent

Facilities mgr. George Warter

Public: Tom and Sherry La Veck

Reva Eisenbarth

Cleo Brock

Linda Warter

Penny Wright

AVCFA: Karen Kenyon

The meeting was called to order at 6 pm by the Chairman

Minutes were not read from the last meeting as no one had gotten a copy.

Roger Prater suggested a letter to land owners outlining what progress is being made in the Fire District. It was suggested that he would have to get a listing from Mila Jury at the County. Also, he would have to check on a bulk mailing permit cost. An action was assigned to the Correspondence Coordinator (Yvonne Kennedy) to draft a progress article for sending to the local papers.

Roger also stated a need for long range planning. Up until now, the focus, by necessity, has been on start-up activity.

Tim Kenyon has received money for our participation in the Chopaka fire, but will hold on to the Districts' share until we determine our cost in surveying a potential site for a fire station.

It was also suggested by Tim that a letter of thank you be developed to send to all who have donated to our district. Jim Wheeler claimed that he has done this. An action was assigned to the Correspondence Coordinator to develop a form letter for this purpose. Another action item was for Jim Wheeler to provide a list of donors.

Jim Wheeler announced that the 1200 gal. tender is now ready for use. The total we now have is 3 brush trucks and one tender.

The white brush truck needs hoses

He estimates another \$6 k from fire support from DNR.

Cards for gas do not work everywhere.

Submitted a prioritized list of needed equipment.

Karen Kenyon announced that AVCFA has purchased a lock file cabinet and will deliver to Ken Thompson for safekeeping of all records. They will also purchase D batteries and goggles for the fire fighters from Jims' priority list. Balance of priority list will be held in abeyance until funds become available. Most items are reimbursable from a grant.

It was stated that George Warter, Dan , Shannon Garoutte, Mike Wilkie, Tom LaVeck, Shauneen Wheeler, Skip and Sharon McKenzie, and Tim Kenyon have all been to fires. There is a log for those who have worked on trucks.

Tim Kenyon was assigned an action item to apply for credit cards to Coleman's Fuel.

The Chairman asked for a short meeting of the Firefighters Board of Review following the Commissioners' meeting.

George Warter asked about the status of getting a class nine rating for the district. He was told by Jim Wheeler said it looked like October but he would try and get it sooner.

Reva Eisenbarth asked if there was any recruiting activity.

Sam answered that we should concentrate on new citizens. Tim Kenyon is doing some recruiting.

Sam motioned and Roger seconded it, that Tim Kenyon be in charge of the fire district when Jim is out of town.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:32