

Fire District 16 Minutes

Meeting Date- December 10, 2007

Attendance

Commissioners- Sam Wright, Tim Kenyon
Secretary/Treasurer- Ken Thompson
Mike Woelke, Yvonne Kennedy, Gordon Smith, Richard E. Burton

6:00 PM- As chair Sam brought the meeting to order.

General Discussions-

- Sam reviewed tonight's agenda.
- Sam read the minutes of our last meeting and made a motion to approve the minutes. Tim seconded the motion.

Richard Burton-

Mr. Burton is a Disaster Coordinator with the Red Cross and he described his roles in the community. He also coordinated and set up "Quick Response Units" in the area. He volunteered to join our group and help our Fire District.

General Discussions-

- Sam discussed the recent Fire District Commissioner election and said the election has been validated and that he has been sworn in to continue as a Commissioner for the Aeneas Valley Fire District.
- Sam showed the group a chart he created showing the Fire District Budget to date.
- Ken reported a check for \$4, 176.64 from a DNR grant for the Darley pumps was received. The tax issue with the Darley pumps has been resolved.
- Sam read a letter from Gordon Smith and discussed the questions presented in the letter.
- Written copies of the minutes from the last two meetings were given to Gordon.
- Sam indicated the Fire District will charge 25 cents for copies of the minutes to help defer costs for copying the minutes. If there are more than two pages of minutes, additional costs will be assessed.
- Sam discussed a truck (F-600) recently acquired for the Fire District from Republic and a potential tire purchase for the truck. Future plans for this truck and other trucks in the Fire District were discussed. The District currently has three brush trucks and a tender, plus the recently acquired (F-600). Plans to incorporate this F-600 truck into the Fire District may be deferred until 2009.
- Tim received a call from Dee Wood from the Auditors office who indicated the Fire District should receive an additional \$1,314 for the 2008 budget. Tim has updated his budget information to account for this additional finding.
- Tim talked to the Fire Commissioners Association about dues. For 2008 our Fire District will not need to pay dues. In 2009 the dues will be \$100.
- Tim went to a meeting today that highlighted Local Hazard Mitigation Plans. A meeting is scheduled in Chesaw on January 17 to discuss land use in the County.
- Yvonne and Richard Burton discussed EMS and ambulance issues for the Aeneas Valley area. Yvonne said an EMS training class will be conducted in January and

volunteers to take the training are being sought. The Aeneas Valley area will get a priority for the training which will probably be held in the Tonasket fire station. The training will probably consist of three evenings/week and Saturdays.

- Tim indicated training in the Fire District continues. There may be a pot luck dinner at the next training session.
- Tim said the State sent a letter stating they will provide a grant of \$2,500 for a laptop computer and internet access, but the Fire District must first develop a policy for internet use. Sam suggested this policy should be added to the Policy and Procedures document. Tim suggested Curlew may have an internet policy we could use as a template.

Old Business-

- Mike Woelke provided several sheets of return mail address stickers for the Fire District.
- Tim provided an update on membership dues for the Fire Commissioners Association.
- Tim discussed progress for obtaining decals for the fire vehicles.

New Business-

- An internet policy needs to be established.
- Tim needs to address license plates for the Republic truck when the timing is appropriate.
- Mike is working on a watermark for Fire District documents.
- Christmas cards for Judy Erbele and Lynn Bremner, Okanogan County Auditors Office, were signed by Fire District personnel and mailed.

The next Fire District meeting is scheduled for Monday, January 14th in Tonasket.

7:06 PM- Sam moved to adjourn the meeting and Tim seconded the motion.

Chairperson

Commissioner

Secretary

(Meeting minutes to be kept on file)

Commissioner