

Pine Mountain Volunteer Fire Department
Board Meeting Minutes

Minutes from Board Meeting October 21st, 2009

Gene King called the meeting to order at 7:03pm.

Pledge of Allegiance and Vocation lead by Ron Dana.

Roll Call: Marvin Sontag absent.

Secretary Bill Angus read minutes from the July 15th 2009 Board Meeting. Motion to accept the minutes made by Dene Green, 2nd Mary Ann Lasecki. Motion carried.

Treasurer Carol Peterson read the Treasurer's Report balance of \$40,759.51 in bank as of 09/30/09. As of 10/21/09 there is \$1,600.00 in the Webb's Landing fund. Motion to accept Treasurer's Report was made by Mary Ann Lasecki, 2nd by Harlan Ackerson. Motion carried.

In the absence of Marvin Sontag, the Trash Report was omitted.

The Fund Raising Committee's Report was read by Mary Ann Lasecki. We made \$217.47 from the Fish Fry. Our gross proceeds were \$945.00, our expenses were \$728.03. Our next event is the BBQ/Chili Supper. Penguin Ed's will be donating our BBQ. Penguin Ed's will supply everything except coleslaw. Motion to accept Mary Ann's report made by Ron Dana. 2nd by Bill Angus. Motion carried.

Harlan Ackerson read the First Responders Report. There were 3 calls, "good response to each one, so we're happy." Mary Ann Lasecki made a motion that we accept Harlan's report, 2nd Bill Angus. Motion carried.

Fire Chief's report given by Dick Quinn. No calls. Motion to accept the Fire Chief's report by Dene Green, 2nd Carol Peterson. Motion carried.

Old Business:

Dick Quinn told us that the radios have been purchased along with some extra long-life batteries along with some longer antennas. The helicopter pad lease with some minor modifications has been renewed. It's good for another 10 years. I did purchase the 1985 Chevy Blazer for the \$6.00 transfer fee. It has been painted and has been inspected by the forestry. We're going to use it for emergencies and a service truck to run our errands. The truck won't be used until we get the Pine Mountain decals put on.

A question about the audit came up. When Dick talked to the people at the retirement fund. They said that a local audit would be acceptable. Dick thought that we need 2 or 3 people to go over the books. Carol Peterson interjected that she had talked to Sue Loding who was reluctant to go over the books. Under the 501P3 rules we are required to have a CPA audit. That will have to be researched. We have an option that when the Bylaws Committee goes over the bylaws we can change the wording from "audit to agreed upon procedures."

Ron Dana reported on the Webb's Landing sub-station. We have now agreed with the airport authority and Mr. Meers on the location of the sub-station. Mr. Meers will donate to us a site right next to the airfield by the hangers. A 50X50 foot area will be cleared for the building at a cost of \$100.00. The airport authority said that they would donate \$500.00 as soon as we start building.

Response from the letter sent to Webb's Landing residence seems mostly positive. Further donations are likely once the residence sees that we are actually starting to build.

New Business:

The 5 new firefighters need to be outfitted with wildland gear along with new wildland gloves for all firefighters. Dick Quinn made a motion to spend \$1,600. 2nd Dene Green. Motion carried.

Dick Quinn has found a 3,000 gal water tank that we can install on our International truck chassis for \$2,000. This will triple our water supply capabilities from 2,000 to 7,500 gal in 18 months. Dick Quinn made a motion to purchase the tank. 2nd Ron Dana. Motion carried with 2 abstentions.

Dene Green made a motion that we make \$2,000 available to Mike Peterson to build a frame for the water tank. 2nd Ron Dana. Motion passed with 2 abstentions.

The forestry service is offering a grant November 2nd on a first come first serve basis. It will provide a wildland firefighting kit comprised of 2 chainsaws, 2 wildland firefighting helmets, 2 sets of chaps, 2 backpack leaf blowers, 2 backpack water pumps, 10 rakes. There are only 130 kits to be purchased and there are 437 eligible fire departments. Bill Angus will send the fax application.

The forestry service has requested that their assistance be requested at all vegetation fires as soon as we are called out. It will however take them about an hour to get to the site of the fire.

We have signed the county wide mutual aid agreement July 14th 2009.

Discussion regarding changing the name of our fire department from Pine Mountain Volunteer Fire Department to Pine Mountain Fire Department. This change would only be done to help us recoup some of our expenses from FEMA. Even with the name change, no firefighters would receive pay. It was decided that we may put this question to a member wide vote.

Brian Winkleman was introduced by Dick Quinn as our newest volunteer firefighter. (Note: as we are all aware, Brian Winkleman passed away suddenly.)

Mary Ann Lasecki motioned that we adjourn the meeting, 2nd by Dene Green. Motion carried.

Gene King adjourned the Board Meeting at approx 8:45pm.

Gene King called to order members meeting the Pine Mountain Volunteer Fire Department Community at 8:46pm.

This meeting was for the election of Officers of the Pine Mountain Volunteer Fire Department and to discuss changes to the Bylaws.

Bill Angus read the elections Notice of Intent form. One members have expressed interest in running for a position on the Board of Directors. Gene King.

Bill Angus read the notice for the proposed amendments to the Pine Mountain Volunteer Fire Department Bylaws.

The following 2 changes to the Bylaws have been proposed.

In Article IV, Section V, delete the last sentence and replace it with the following, “no member may request or spend more than an amount to be determined periodically by the Board of Directors without prior approval of the Board. Documentation establishing the maximum spending limits will be included in the minutes of the Corporation.

In Article IV, Section I, delete the second to last sentence beginning with, “A quorum at any members meeting...” and replace it with the following, “At any members meeting a quorum will be considered to exist if a quorum of the Board of Directors is present.”

Proposed change 1 to the Bylaws motion carried.

Proposed change 2 to the Bylaws motion carried.

Elections:

Gene King was elected back to the Board.

Carol Peterson made a motion to adjourn the Members meeting. 2nd Mary Ann Lasecki. Motion carried.