

CHRISTOPHER KOHLS FIRE DISTRICT
BOARD MEETING

12 JUNE 2006

Monthly Meeting: Station 51, Christopher Creek, AZ

Call to Order 7:04pm

Roll Call: Power Webb, Chairman, present
Cline Preble, Member, present
James Oliver, Clerk/Treasurer, present
Ray Larsen, Chief, Present

Minutes: The minutes of the 8 May 2006 meeting were approved as read.

Treasurers Report: The Treasurers report for the month of May 2006 was read and approved as read. Mr. Oliver said some copies of the April Minutes had 11 April vice the correct 10 April date and asked Board Members to change their copies.

Chiefs Report: The Chiefs report was given by Chief Larsen. The State Land grant has been approved and is awaiting a signature at the State level.

Correspondence /reports: Chairman Webb said that all interviews for the Admin Aide position have been completed and Margaret Stasny was hired for the position. Mr. Webb also stated that the Firebelles had earned \$548 from the Bake sale over Memorial Day Weekend. The hard work is much appreciated by the Board and Fire Department. Mr. Oliver discussed the Community Wildfire protection plan, its importance to the community and Department, and the work that Sam Seay is doing to update and improve the plan.

Agenda items:

- Item 1. Resolution 84 was read by the Chairman. This resolution is to adopt fiscal year 06-07 budget. The required notices were posted, published in the newspaper, and meetings were held as required. All three members voted to adopt the resolution and budget. Resolution 84 and the upcoming Budget is adopted.
- Item 2. Resolution 85 was read by the Chairman. This resolution gives notification that two seats on the Governing Board for the District are up for election this year. Mr. Webb made a motion to adopt, Mr. Preble seconded, all members voted aye to adopt. Resolution 85 is adopted.
- Item 3. Mr. Webb brought up an item requested by Chief Larsen that the Board increase the \$5.00 response pay. This payment is made to compensate the volunteers for gas used to respond and other direct expenses such as clothes torn or soiled. Mr. Webb discussed the pension fund for the volunteers which is not affected by this payment. Chief Larsen discussed the on call system, which is separate from this payment. Mr. Oliver gave a history of why the Department started this payment, and gave the present cost of the system, and how much was budgeted for it in the upcoming year. Mr. Preble asked the audience for comments. David Lloyd said with the price of fuel, he could not respond for the \$5.00, and volunteers should not have to pay to be on the department. Steve Sundra gave a few remarks on his method of responding, having use of

the brush truck. Without that, it would cost him money to respond. This issue was tabled until the July meeting. Chief Larsen is going to seek input from the volunteers about a suitable amount for this payment.

Item 4. The proposed SOP on out of District calls was discussed. Mr. Ashby was not present in the audience so the issue was tabled. Mr. Oliver said that he wished to revisit a resolution he had presented at a prior meeting. Copies were given to the other Board Members to be considered at the next meeting. The issue was briefly discussed. Chief Larsen brought up a liability issue with out of district response. His concern was the issue of responding to one call and not another. This matter will be researched. A prior legal opinion may cover this.

Topics/future meetings: The subject of out of District response was tabled until the July 2006 meeting. The issue of volunteer compensation will be discussed and possibly decided at the next meeting. Mr. Preble wished for the issue of District auditing/ accounting to be discussed at the next meeting. He indicated that a solicitation for our business was received and should be researched. The Chairman agreed with Mr. Preble doing the research for this item. There were no other items requested to be considered.

Call to the Public: There were no items presented to the Board.

There being no other business, the Chairman made a motion to adjourn and was seconded. The vote was unanimous to adjourn. Adjourned at 7:55 pm

Submitted by: James Oliver, Clerk/ Treasurer

Approved: _____

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