

CHRISTOPHER KOHL'S FIRE DISTRICT
MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING
NOVEMBER 9th, 2009
STATION 51

Meeting called to order at 7:00pm, 9 November, 2009. Pledge of Allegiance.

In Attendance: Deborah Dawson, Chairman
 Margot Holmes, Vice Chairman
 James Oliver, Clerk/Treasurer
 Electra VanEckhoutte, Fire Chief
 Department members were identified

Agenda Item 3.

- A. The Minutes from the 14 September and 12 October, 2009, Board Meetings were approved unanimously by the Board after a motion by Mr. Oliver and a second by Mrs. Holmes.
- C. The status of the District Bank accounts for October, 2009, was given by Mr. Oliver. The September Treasurer's report was distributed to the Board previously. Mr. Oliver said that about 40% of our tax money has been received. Mrs. Holmes made a motion to accept the reports, Mr. Oliver seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous to accept the reports.
- B. Chief VanEckhoutte gave the Chief's report and discussed the status of the Department and activities of the members of the Department. The Chief discussed the Bachelor fire in the Ponderosa Springs area. The Department was not used by the Forest Service for this fire. Chief VanEckhoutte said that the Department participated in the Halloween activities of the Homeowners Association. Disposal of the brush piles around the community was discussed, with chipping said to be the method of disposal to be used by the Forest Service. The Christmas party was mentioned, with a Fire Fighter of the year award planned for the event. Chief VanEckhoutte said the Department was planning to provide some food baskets for needy residents this Thanksgiving.
- D. Correspondence of Interest: Mr. Oliver said that the Fuels Reduction grant has been completed, with required monies having been spent and required donated labor/material being provided. The Brush Trailer operation status was mentioned, and it was decided to have an agenda item on the Brush Trailer operation for the next meeting.

There were no scheduled Agenda Items.

Agenda item 4. Future agenda items. The operation and use of the Brush Trailer as a function of the Department without Grant money will be discussed and possibly acted upon. Mr. Oliver said that there could be the new Mutual Aid agreement that would need to be approved by the Board. Mrs. Dawson mentioned the AFDA meeting in January, and the requirements for posting notice of the meeting.

Agenda item 7. Call to the public. Mr. Sundra thanked the Department for the new U.S. Flag at the Ponderosa Springs Station. Mr. Sundra asked about the status of the Highway construction between Kohl's Ranch and Little Green Valley. Mr. Sundra was concerned about Emergency Vehicle passage during the construction. Chief VanEckhoutte commented, as well as Firefighter Lecher, who said that Hellsgate FD had

discussed the issue with the construction companies. Mr. Sundra also asked why the Department was not involved in the Bachelor Fire. Chief VanEckhoutte discussed the issue with Mr. Sundra. Mr. Oliver said that the Apache-Sitgraves Forest managed the fire, and not the Tonto Forest. Mr. Oliver said that Chief VanEckhoutte tried many times to get involved.

Mr. Oliver made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mrs. Holmes second, the vote to adjourn was unanimous.

Mrs. Dawson adjourned the meeting at 7:29pm, 09 November, 2009

Submitted : 16 November, 2009, by James Oliver

Approved: _____ Chairman _____, 2009