

Pine-Strawberry Fire District

PINE-STRAWBERRY FIRE BOARD REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Nov. 16, 2010

I. The meeting was called to order at 1800 P.M.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Roll Call

Present were Chair Mr. Dave Prechtel, Mr. Forrest McCoy, Mr. Mike Roggenstein & Mr. Dave Burkhart. Mr. McGuire was absent.

IV. Board chair summary - None

V. Personal appearances/business from the floor - None

VI. Consent Agenda

1. Approval of minutes for 10-20-10

Mr. McCoy made a motion to accept the minutes as written.

Mr. Roggenstein seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

2. Chiefs report given by Chief Staub. He complimented our firefighters for an “outstanding” job on the Crooked Pine Lane structure fire last Friday.

3. Financial report given by Chief Staub. Mr. McCoy asked for clarification on some Of the expenditures and receipts.

4. Departmental reports

Chaplain reported he attended 3 scenes and 5 contacts and was the only report.

5. Reports from committees

Policy committee reported they have had one meeting to organize and set templates.

The next meeting is scheduled for Nov. 18, 2010 at 6:00 PM.

6. Correspondence

Chief Staub reported we received two letters from citizens complimenting our department On the fuels program and a medical transport.

VII. Unfinished Business

1. Discussion/possible action on Hidden Pines HOA fire hydrant request

Capt. Harris Scott reported that the 2 inch water line and water flow is not adequate

to put out a house fire and that us investing into the system is not a good idea.

He recommended to the HOA board that they either 1) do it themselves or 2) put in a tank For \$50,000 to \$60,000 and then we may help with a hydrant or 3) wait for the water Company to put in a larger line.

Mr. Burkhart made a motion to pass on the request for a fire hydrant. Mr. Roggenstein seconded and it passed unanimously.

VIII. New Business

1. Discussion/action on fire code amendment exempting certain occupancies in buildings less than 1000 sq.ft. from the fire sprinkler requirements.

Chief Staub said that present fire code on other than one and two family dwellings is tied back to our fire flow and if you can't meet the fire flow you have to sprinkle yet we provide enough water flow on our trucks for buildings up to 1000 sq.ft. He also recommended we modify the 2003 fire code to say we may exempt buildings under 1000 sq.ft and it would be conditional. He also said this concerned commercial buildings.

Mr. Roggenstein made a motion to amend the current fire code to allow for possible exemption of occupancies less than 1000 sq. ft. Mr. Mc Coy seconded.

Mr. Burkhart questioned if this would affect existing buildings over 1000 sq. ft. The Chief responded no, only new building or expansions that may depend on the current fire code. Mr. Blaes questioned whether existing water flow was adequate for a specific sprinkler system in the community and Capt. Larned responded yes it was because of the way it was engineered. Chief Staub explained how sprinkler systems work and this would be on a case by case basis. The Chief and Capt. Larned both said this is more business friendly and cost effective.

Mr. Prechtel called for the question and it passed unanimously.

2. Bill Whittington Esq. gave a presentation on roles and responsibilities of Fire Boards.

IX. Approval of unbudgeted expenditures in excess of \$2,500.00 - None

X Future Agenda items

Chief Staub suggested we may want to revisit Resolution 10-01, fire department billing.

Special board meeting scheduled for 11-22-10 to swear in new board members.

Regular board meeting scheduled for 12-15-10.

XI Adjournment

Mr. Prechtel made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Burkhart seconded. Passed unanimously

At 8:03 PM