**LAKE WENATCHEE FIRE AND RESCUE AUXILIARY**

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Minutes

May 3, 2017

President Bob Jennings led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Good of the Order:** Chief Lamar brought us up to date on the activities of the Fire District and Firefighters’ Association and events in the community in which our various entities are involved.

**Call to Order:** President Bob Jennings called the meeting to order at 4:10 p.m. Forty-five (45) members were present.

**Minutes:** Judi Kennedy made a motion to approve the minutes. Chris Adams seconded the motion and the motion carried. Guest Terry Weiss was introduced.

**Treasurer’s Report**: Pam Nicklas gave the Treasurer’s report: April beginning balance: $12,946.99. Total Expenses: $4,348.77 This included the new containers at station #93. Total income: ~~$5,413.62~~ (Correction - $5,588.62) This included memorials for Pete Mueller. April ending balance: $~~14,011.84~~ (Correction - $14,186.84) Becky Payne made a motion to approve the Treasurer’s report, Carl Leuck seconded and the motion carried. Pam presented a bill for clothing. Paula Egbert made a motion to approve the bill, Linda Christensen seconded and the motion carried.

**BUSINESS/COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

A Letter from Anne Mueller and family was read expressing their appreciation for the support and generosity shown to them in memory of Pete.

**New Members:** Chris Adams requested any new members to meet with her at the table in the front of the room after the meeting to receive a membership packet.

**Audit**: Bob Adamson gave the Audit Report and the recommendations are filed in the Secretary’s and Treasurer’s notebooks. One recommendation is to purchase an accounting software package (Quicken or Quickbooks) not to exceed **$300**. Paula Egbert made a motion to approve the recommendation, seconded by Mary Lou Clemmons and the motion carried. In conjunction with the Audit report, our treasurer recommends we consult an accounting firm regarding our tax filing status now that we have averaged over $50,000 over the last 3 years. It is anticipated this will be a one-time expense because in the future the treasurer can follow the same format. Paula Egbert made a motion to consult an accounting firm to review our accounting processes and assist with our tax filing. Services not to exceed **$1,000**. Becky Payne seconded and the motion carried.

**Tour de Bloom:** Bill Moffat & Bob Jennings reported that traffic safety training for our volunteer will be at 9:00 at station #93 prior to the beginning of the race which starts at 11:00. There will be 4 groups racing. The Firefighters’ Association will receive $1,000 and it will go for the headliner band at the Moonlight Music Fest in August.

**Rest Stop:** Igor and Donna requested a **$150** budget to cover coffee, ice, cups and possible cookies. Paula Egbert made a motion to approve this expense, Bill Miller seconded and the motion carried. The dates of the Rest Stop fundraiser are June 26th to 30th.

**Life Flight:**  Jimi Wilson reported that anyone wanting to sign up for LifeFlight may do so by sending her a completed application form and a check for $12.50. This amount provides coverage until August 2017. Each household will then be billed $50 for coverage until August of 2018,

**Flowers:** Jerry Jennings requested a budget of **$100** for flowers for Station #93. Paula Egbert made a motion to allow this expense, Carl Leuck seconded and the motion carried.

**Music Fest:** - Bill Moffat & Bob Jennings reported the latest on this event – August 19th with Dylan Jacobson (headliner). Requested **$300** for the Auxiliary's share of the opening act plus incidental expenses. Bill Miller made a motion, Chris Adams seconded and the motion carried.

**Munchen House Fundraiser:** Jimi will contact them to see if a date is available. We will not hold a raffle just go and enjoy a fun evening and encourage all our friends to attend.

**Alert Sense:** Jimi Wilson reported on this alert system. The firefighters use a communication system called “Alert Sense”. This system allows all member or a designated group or specific committee to receive notification of impending events or alerts by text and email. The secretary will contact all member to request cell phone number including area code and name of the cell phone carrier/provider.

**May 10th:** Chief Lamar requested we organize to serve a dinner to the firefighters at their traffic safety training on May 10th. Becky Payne will organize this but the Auxiliary will incur no expense.

**CPR Classes:** Now scheduled for May 19th, 25th, and 31st from 9 AM to 1 PM. CPR in 5 minutes will be offered to the community o Safety Day, May 27th.

**Facilities Budget:** Bob Adamson, Facilities Chairman presented the committee budget of **$350** for signs, cones etc. Paula Egbert made a motion to allow this expense, Judi Kennedy seconded and the motion carried.

**Sunshine:** Sharyl Nelson reported that Dennis Broughton had knee surgery and is doing well.

**Yard Sale:** – Bob Adamson presented the following report from Kim & Dennis Broughton - Chairmen.

**MOTTO FOR 2017: DON’T COMPLICATE A GOOD THING!! TOUCH THINGS AS FEW TIMES AS POSSIBLE. WORK SAFELY!! AND MOST OF ALL . . . HAVE FUN!!!!**

Dennis and Kim reviewed all of the suggestions from 2016. What we have heard on the 5:00 Shopping versus setting things aside while working: It's a benefit of being a member and helping to set up all day!!!  When you find something “cool”, you can set it aside in a designated area and donate when you leave that day. Typically, Aux members donate more in time and money than the public anyway!!!

*Just keep in mind all art items, prints, ceramics, and unique display items need to go through Anne and bring the items that have significant value through Kathy, so that we can keep the "spirit" of the Specialty areas alive. I*t was exciting to see friends working together finding treasures during the day for one another like Chickens for Marlene!!!

**YARD SALE UPDATE:**

* Two Containers delivered
* Wagon selected (more to be ordered)
* Containers organized and established what goes in each
* Saturdays drop-offs established and publicized – goal is to limit pick-ups and avoid the rush the Friday before the sale. Pick-up dates are the second Saturday of May, June, July and August from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. Sign-up sheets at front table. Get the word out!!

Based on the above report and the discussion that followed: Jerry Jennings made the following motion (see below), Paula Egbert seconded and the motion carried.

Anne Mueller and Kathy Kelly must be contacted regarding any items that may be appropriate for the Art and Specialty areas.  This includes potentially “big ticket” items, unique items, antiques, collectibles, art work, sculptures, other forms of art, boats, etc.

1. Outside of these parameters
	1. For members of the pick-up teams - if a member sees something being donated that they would like to have, they may take it that day after they make a donation which will be collected by whoever is in charge of the pickup team that day.
	2. During our four (4) second Saturday drop-off days, anyone who is working on those days may also select items they would like to have and may take them that day after making a donation to be collected before leaving with the item/items.  The person who is in charge each of the 4 days will collect these donations.
	3. On set-up days prior to the Saturday Yard Sale, anyone working may set aside their “stash” in the maintenance building, donate before the end of their shift and take the items with them.
	4. Because of public perception, there will be no member shopping on Saturday morning before the official opening “bell”.

**Pancake Breakfast Budget:** Paula Egbert made a motion to approve a budget of **$875,** Judi Kennedy seconded and the motion carried.

**Tone-out List Signup:** Committee chairman, Becky Payne, has a signup sheet.

**Fundraising items requested:** On behalf of Anne Mueller, Mary Morgan announced we’re looking for Seahawks official jerseys of past quarterbacks for a shadowbox display and 6 tee shirts for a quilt. Chris Adams reminded us that items are needed for the members’ box at the Pancake Breakfast.

**The next meeting will on Wednesday, June 7th, at Station 91 at 7:00 p.m.**

Becky Payne made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:25 p.m., Judi Kennedy seconded and the motion carried. Our new President, Bob Jennings closed the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Jimi Wilson, Secretary