**LAKE WENATCHEE FIRE AND RESCUE AUXILIARY**

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Minutes

March 1, 2017

President Dennis led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Good of the Order:** Chief Lamar thanked everyone for their support during his recent surgery. The Firewise group had a lot of success when there was smoke in the air, but they are now looking to make a more formal group for planning purposes. He also noted that 80% of wildfires are human caused whether it be a car fire, structure fire, downed power line, etc. We can better prepare our homes and property. Mick also met with Bob Jennings and Dennis Broughton about the Strategic Plan for the Fire Dept. The goal is to be more proactive rather than reactive. The firefighters also want to connect more with the Auxiliary. They are looking at hiring Matt Fields to manage the Fire District web page. Mike Stanford went to the National Fire Academy which only costs the Department $160. The Department is hoping to send more firefighters in the future. In January there were lots of accidents on Highway 2 and the Fire Department worked hand in hand with Cascade Medical and is getting reimbursed by Cascade.

**Call to Order:** President Dennis called the meeting to order at 4:20 p.m. Forty-five (45) members were present. Dennis introduced new members Jim and Julie Burrage, Sandy and Steve McHarry, Deb Wadking, Karen and Mike Pirotto, and Lana Croy.

**Minutes:** Mary Morgan made a motion to approve the minutes. Frank Adams seconded the motion and the motion carried.

**Treasurer’s Report**: Bob Jennings gave the Treasurer’s report: January beginning balance: $63,103.59. Total expenses: $50,207.52. Ending Balance: $12,896.07. February beginning balance: $12,896.07. Total expenses: $38.93. Total income: $332.11. Ending balance: $13,189.25. Judi Kennedy made a motion to approve the Treasurer’s Report. Chris Adams seconded and the motion carried.

**YARD SALE:** After years of going back and forth on whether we have a Yard Sale or Garage Sale, the Board got together and decided on “Yard Sale”. Less letters to put on signage ☺.

**STRATEGIC PLAN:** Dennis went over elements of the LWFR Strategic Plan to let the Auxiliary know where their skills might fit into helping the Fire Dept.  **If anyone has questions or is willing to help with any of these activities, please contact Dennis.** The items he discussed were:

1. Facilities Management Plan

2. Equipment Management Plan

3. Apparatus Replacement Plan

4. Auxiliary Power at Stations Plan

5. Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) Replacement Plan

6. Incorporate Auxiliary into the Operations of LWFR

7. Develop A Succession Plan for LWFR

8. Update Member Incentive Plan

9. Create Recruiting and Retention Plan

10. Improve Existing Training Plan

11. Improve Existing Internal Communications Plan

12. Develop and Document Member Disaster Support Plan

13. Establish a Standard Operating Procedure (SOG) Manual

14. Develop a Community Safety Plan

**NOMINATING COMMITTEE:** The nominating committee presented two names for the Board; Bob Adamson and Gerri Passage. If anyone is interested in running for a Board position, we will be taking nominations from the floor at the April meeting.

**BIO SURVEY:**  Kim let everyone know that there are blank Bio Surveys if anyone needs one.

**BY-LAWS:** Dennis went over proposed By-Law changes. These changes will be emailed to every member. If you have comments, please send them to Kim.

**SAVE THE DATE:** Bob Jennings gave the group a list of dates and activities that will require Auxiliary support.

March 15: Incident Command System Meeting – Station 91 – 10:00 a.m. – room for 30 Auxiliary members

March 24: Megafire Presentation – Plain Community Church

May 5: Tour de Bloom – traffic control help needed

May 27: Safety Day – Auxiliary help needed to cook and serve food

June 5: Annual Firefighter’s Multi-District Dinner – Auxiliary help needed with cooking and serving

**SUNSHINE:** Sharyl commented that the Sunshine Committee was kept really busy this past month. Cards were sent to Liz Rawlins, Mick Lamar, Pat Deveny, Pete Mueller, George Wilson, Pam Nicklas, Kathy and Jerry Kelly. Bill and Nancy Moffat visited Pete last weekend and said he is still going through treatment and his spirits were great!!

**LAST CALL FOR COMMENTS**

**The next meeting will on Wednesday, April 5 at Ponderosa Clubhouse at 4:00 p.m.**

Chris Adams made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:00 p.m. Frank Adams seconded and the motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by Kim Broughton, Secretary