**CHELAN COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT #9 AUXILIARY**

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Minutes

May 7, 2014

Dennis led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Good of the Order:** Chief Lamar commented on the nice big crowd for the meeting. Mike Stanford had emergency surgery at Central Washington Hospital. No Safety Fair due to bridge closure. There will be a Public Works Open House at the Rec Club 10:00 a.m. on May 10, 2014 to discuss the closure. They will be describing what they are going to do during that closure. Mick stated that he was not happy with the communication, length of project or timing. Constituents have not been involved in the planning. This is the last week of the EMT class. Written in-house final last Monday. Really appreciate the food from Auxiliary. Orondo said that we embarrass them and they are really impressed with the community. The National Registry Test for the EMT’s requires them to travel to Yakima, Spokane or Seattle. Sixteen still in class. Last class next Wednesday. Chief Lamar attended a Fire Investigators class in Leavenworth with attendance of 150-175 (the best attended conference for firefighters in our state). He feels that education is the most important part of his job. Controlled burning is occurring on local ridges. They will continue to burn until approximately June 1 (could go longer). Two firefighters will attend rope class. Terry will be at the support personnel conference. Jim Passage is stepping down from Cascade Medical Hospital Board. Chief Lamar felt that we need to voice our opinion about having someone on the board from the Lake Wenatchee area. Ken Gross has an interest in the position. People can write a letter endorsing Ken Gross – Becky encouraged that we all do this if we know Ken by Friday. Send letter to Cascade Medical – Attention: Board. Douglas/Chelan County Honor Guard is still trying to get off the ground. Active 911 in electronic tablets are now up and running. Auxiliary has taken on Firewise activities. Chief Lamar also talked about the focus of firefighter’s business being about service and compassion and understanding when they show up. Try to get people the right resources and just listen. Education is paramount in our business. Laws change regularly. People need to be treated right, budgets balanced, etc. Our group are like sponges and want to learn and help. Mick commented on how many firefighters show up for drill compared to other districts.

**Call to Order:** President Dennis Broughton called the meeting to order at 7:21 p.m. Gave a brief bio. He was employed at Boeing for 27 years, married 40 years, with a place in the Lake Wenatchee area for 17 years. Introduced Tom and Damaris Bartlett and Julie Ratley as new members. Barb Harris received her name tag.

**Minutes:** Jimi moved to approve the minutes. Marlene seconded the motion and the motion carried.

**Treasurer’s Report**: April’s beginning balance was $1414.42. Total income was $118.00. Total expenses were $141.04. Ending balance $1391.38. The firefighters fund has $1578.32. Bills were presented. Kim made a motion we approve the bills. Marlene seconded. The motion passed.

Jimi made a motion to approve the Treasurer’s Report. Kathy K. seconded the motion and the motion carried. Audit needs to be completed with Lisa, Becky, Dennis, and Paul next week.

**Old Business:** Yard Sale Chairmen needed. Liz and Paul will mentor. Marlene will be gone and needs someone to do Clothing. Mary and Stan Morgan have volunteered to chair the Pancake Breakfast with Susan Hastings mentoring. Three Special Projects were discussed: Blue Signs, smoke detectors, and Firewise program. Several people learned to be assessors with Deb Newell. George is helping put up Firewise signs. Dennis spoke at the Chiwawa meeting regarding blue signs and getting set up for Firewise. Passages, Paynes, and Clemmons are working the Shugart area. Captain of each area can collect hours to submit. Kahler Glen doing a lot of work. Tom B. commented that Ponderosa has certification and Doug Pendleton in charge. Logging project going on for forest health in Ponderosa. They’ve established wildlife habitat areas and hired a professional Forester to do planning. Mary Lou talked about doing a mass mailing to your area, work parties, sandwich board (Firewise Work Party). Kahler has gotten permission from a couple of people to clean up their property. Auxiliary members may be asked on a volunteer basis to help senior citizens who are unable to Firewise their own property. As weather gets nicer, Plain Farmer’s Market may be a good place to get the word out.

EMT Class potluck on May 14. Jimi, Susan, Kim, and Becky to provide food. Kaye Marks will provide food for the class on May 12.

**New Business:**

EMT Class donated $170 to the Auxiliary. There was also another $50 donation.

4H group will be putting in flowers in the front flower beds at Station 1.

On Wednesday, June 4 Marlene needs a group to go to Chelan to help mentor a new Auxiliary. Jimi, Kathy, Liz, Kim, Linda C., Kathy G., Judi, and Marlene will attend.

New member packet update from Chris Adams. Pulling out obsolete paperwork. Packets will have overview information for new members. More checking and updating to do.

Next year maybe have a picnic/BBQ for Auxiliary/Fire Dept. coordinated with Safety Day. Maybe invite sheriff and families.

Sunshine Committee –

Card was read from Dawn Barnhill.

GRATITUDE MOMENT:

Dennis grateful for new members.

**The next meeting will be on Wednesday, July 2, 2014. There will be no meeting in June.**

Becky made motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:03. Barb seconded and the motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by Kim Broughton, Secretary