**LAKE WENATCHEE FIRE AND RESCUE AUXILIARY**

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Minutes

March 4, 2015

**Good of the Order:** Chief Lamar total the group that there had already been two wildfires in our state this year - a 150 acre fire in Spokane and one on the Olympic Peninsula. It isn’t looking good for the summer season. Effective March 1, 2015 the two districts are officially combined into Lake Wenatchee Fire and Rescue. Starting tomorrow, there will be lots of burning at the State Park at North Shore. First joint Commissioner meeting is next Tuesday at Station 91. Firefighters very busy with training and classes. Mick thanked the Auxiliary for mentoring the Chelan Auxiliary; they had a successful Valentine’s Day Banquet grossing nearly $22,000. Remodeling currently happening at Station 91. Marlene Glover moved her office to Station 91. She will work Monday-Tuesday and Terri will work Wednesday-Thursday. Chief Lamar passed around the new t-shirt design for LWFR (Lake Wenatchee Fire and Rescue) and discussed options of where to put Auxiliary on shirts. Decal sample was also passed around. A new red Suburban command rig is being purchased with leftover $72,000 from the bond. Mick gave a reminder that Daylight Savings is this weekend and don’t forget to change batteries in smoke detectors. PUD announced our area had 60% of normal snowpack and a very dry winter, so there are worries about level of water. It could be a challenging summer. Chief Lamar talked about the passing of Jim Adamson and the significant contributions he made to our area and asked that we keep his wife Carol in our prayers.

**Call to Order:** Vice President Liz led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance and then called the meeting to order at 7:21 p.m. Liz had the former Ponderosa members introduce themselves to the group - Bobbie and Frank Olsen, Judy Drexler, Ann Blanchard, and Igor Malcevski. Debbie Newell, Jim and Margaret Berk introduced themselves as new members. Chris Adams gave each an updated new member packet.

**Minutes:** Stan moved to approve the minutes. Frank seconded the motion and the motion carried.

**Treasurer’s Report**: January’s beginning balance was $37,099.80. Total expenses were $32,135.64. Total income $700.00. Ending balance $5,564.16. February’s beginning balance was $5,564.16. No expenses. Total income $1,500.00 from Bonaventure Assisted Living from Marion Britton. Ending balance $7,164.16. One bill $200.00 reserving Rec Club for Pancake Breakfast. Lisa made a motion to approve. Damaris seconded and the motion passed. Pete made a motion to approve the Treasurer’s Report. Pam seconded the motion and the motion carried.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

The new logo for Lake Wenatchee Fire and Rescue (LWFR) was passed around.

Gerri Passage gave a report on the By-Law Committee which consists of two longtime members - JoAnne Fountain and Barbara Weeks; two new members – Dick Nicklas and Anne Mueller; and mid-length members – Gerri Passage, Liz Rawlins, Paul Rawlins, Jimi Wilson, and Dennis Broughton. She presented a copy of two amendments; one for Indemnification for protection of officers; the other covers the Auxiliary in the case WA State laws change, our by-laws will automatically comply. Dick explained that the words were taken directly from other By-Laws that had already been legally reviewed. These amendments will be voted on at the April meeting. As for the name change, in the Articles of incorporation we are Chelan County #9, but will work as Dba Lake Wenatchee Fire and Rescue Auxiliary (LWFR AUX). Igor asked if we have insurance coverage when working with the Fire Department. By-law committee to check into this. It will take a few months to finalize the revised By-Laws and then will be legally reviewed.

Paula talked Auxiliary Clothing. She sent around a sign-up sheet for aprons. Frank made a motion that we put Auxiliary on the front. Pete seconded. The motion passed.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Gerri Passage presented the slate of nominated officers. President – Dennis Broughton, Vice President – Bob Lamar, Treasurer – Paul Rawlins, Secretary – Kim Broughton. VP Liz asked if there were any nominations from the floor. There were none, so we will vote next month on the slate of officers presented.

A fundraiser at the Rest stop was presented by former Ponderosa President Judy Drexler. The time they have scheduled is June 22-26. She stated that Mick and Dennis thought this would be a good opportunity to incorporate a safety day with a fire truck and Firewise brochures available. Kim stated that she had contacted the Rest Stop and we are allowed to have the fire truck and brochures. In addition to homemade cookies, coffee, and water, we would add popcorn. Only donations are accepted as payment. Ponderosa also owns a large ice chest that they will give to the combined Auxiliary for water, lemonade, etc. Freezer space will be needed for cookies (approx. 100 dz. cookies for the week). Igor agreed to chair the event. Pete made a motion to move forward with Rest Stop fundraiser. Frank seconded. And the motion passed.

Mary Morgan presented an idea on selling nuts as a fundraiser. We can have them a week after being picked off the tree. This fundraiser would happen in late fall and we could possibly sell them at the Pancake Breakfast. We will discuss further at the next meeting.

Nancy Moffat suggested that we stand and introduce ourselves when speaking until all of us get a chance to know each other by name.

Frank made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:10. Pete seconded and the motion carried.

**Next meeting will be on Wednesday, April 1, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. at Ponderosa Clubhouse.**

Respectfully submitted by Kim Broughton, Secretary