**LAKE WENATCHEE FIRE AND RESCUE AUXILIARY**

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**Membership Meeting Minutes**

**August 3rd, 2022 – 7:00 p.m. at Station 93**

**Board members present**:

Jim MacMillan, Dorothy Baker, Barb Harris, Chris King, Scott Baker, and Elizabeth Pollock.

**Welcome:** Jim MacMillan

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**LWFR District 9: Chief Walker**

Thanks to the KMC Women’s golf club for choosing LWFR as the recipient of the funds raised at the Golf Tournament.

The department received a grant for $20,000 for wildfire and wildland light weight gear.

The rivers and waterways are a big deal this year and there have been a number of fatalities. There is now a system in place to coordinate the messaging. Always remember to wear a life jacket.

On 8/2, the department did water training at the boat launch in the state park. The weather was great for the training session.

There is a donation opportunity due to one of the tragedies. In honor of Bill Henniger, a memorial fund has been set up to raise funds for the Fire Department Water Rescue and Drone programs. It will be live on LWFR.org on 8/4 for donations through the end of August.

In the fall, recruitment for volunteer firefighters is done. Orientation night is August 30 at 7:00 p.m. at station 91. Get the word out to people who may be interested in becoming a volunteer firefighter!

Insurance Benefit – LWFR bought the property on Hwy 2 and have spent time getting the garage set up. A new pumper was purchased and there are now 6 volunteers in that area. As of August 1st, the insurance companies recognized the fire station and people within a 5 miles radius had a drop in insurance ratings from 9 to 6.

There were two recent fire calls. A crew was sent to the Chelan Bluff fire and two crews were sent to a hill fire above Coles Corner.

Work is continuing on the building plans for station 93 and just got the plans back on the next rendition. A time will be set up (likely the October meeting) to share these plans with the Auxiliary.

**LWFR FF Association President:**  Jeff Robinson – not in attendance.

**Winton Recycling:**

Robette and Thad attended from Winton Recycling.

Robette presented the following information: We are the new commercial composting site in Winton and we recycle yard waste. We are trying to build partnerships with people in the community. We have been working with Chief Walker and Danny Bacheldor and letting them know what services we can offer. We are also working with Danny on plans to easily get yard waste from your yard to our recycling facility. Recycling is a great way to reduce our fire risk.

You no longer need to wait until spring to burn your yard waste. We can take large stumps and roots and turn it into compost as we have a grinder. We can also take pine needles (try not to rake up too much dirt). We also sell compost for your projects. We offer the first yard of recycling free, then it cost $15 per yard. I have brought some information and coupons for you.

**Call to Order:** Jim MacMillan called the meeting to order at 7:24 p.m.

**Attendance:**  62 members attended.

**New Member Introductions:**

Jan and Rich Adamson, Linda Bockelmann, Tricia Cook, Randall and Jiletta MacPherson, Toni Olson, and Ginny Thomas. Welcome new members!

**Approve July Minutes:**

John Tobias moved to approve the July minutes, seconded by Stan Morgan and the motion passed.

**Approve July Treasurer’s Report: Barb Harris**

Memorial Account $ 230.00

General Account

              Beginning Balance       $19,799.52

 Golf Tournament Donations $ 2,925.00

 Munchen Haus Donations $ 332.00

              Donations via Square $ 266.12

 Haglund’s Trophies (name badge)                     -$ 8.85

 Yard Sale Starting Cash -$ 600.00

              Ending Balance as of 7/25/22    $22,713.79

Jimi Wilson moved to approve the Treasurer’s Report, seconded by Randy Pollock and the motion passed.

**Old Business:**

**Social Committee:**

Thanks for the tasty ice cream sundae treats.

**Munchen Haus Benevolent Night – July 5:**

Check has not been received yet from Munchen Haus. Will communicate the total once received.

**Kahler Mountain Club Golf Tournament – July 19:**

The KMC Ladies Golf Tournament benefitting LWFR was a big success. Thank you to the Auxiliary volunteers who helped get the course and golfers ready for the event. Also, thank you to Mike Pirotto who brought the red fire truck and blew the siren for the shot gun start. We are finalizing the proceeds from the event and will announce the total at the next meeting.

**Clothing: Chris King**

If you need a neon green shirt or have a shirt to donate/lend/sell, please see Chris King. These shirts are important at the Yard Sale as they quickly identify Auxiliary members.

**Committee Reports:**

**Yard Sale: Velda Millard**

Sent out an email this morning and more details will be forthcoming. All start times are subject to change.

Wednesday (8/31)

* Set up tables on Wednesday afternoon at 4:00 p.m.
* There is a sign-up sheet for Wednesday.

Thursday/Friday (9-1/2) – Drop off Days

* Auxiliary members to arrive by 8:00 a.m. and drop off for the public will start at 9:00 a.m.
* There is a sign-up sheet for the drop off days. Please put your availability.
* Still need a few more people as leads in various areas.
* Lunch will be provided on Thursday and Friday.

Saturday/Sunday (9-3/4)

* There will be two shifts on Saturday: 7:00 – Noon and Noon onwards. I will send out a digital sign up for shifts. On Sunday, the Yard Sale closes at Noon.
* There will be a Bake Sale this year and Pam Mullen is the one to contact to contribute baked goods. Her email is pamelaj.mullen@gmail.com.
* There will not be a silent auction this year but we may do a live auction. Instead of the auction area, we will do a minimum donation area and those items will have stickers on them.

A dumpster was ordered from Waste Management but they are having supply issues and they can’t guarantee a dumpster in time. If you have a trailer and can do a dump run, this would be very helpful for items that are left over.

There will be a holding area for people to put their items as they continue to shop and we will use Square again this year for card payments.

We will put up fencing but won’t have people staying overnight. Also, the Firefighters will be helping out with the Yard Sale.

We are looking at going over to Plain Cellars after the Yard Sale. However, this is tentative right now.

**Upcoming Events:**

**Yard Sale Drop off Days – Thursday/Friday (9-1/2):**

See above.

**Yard Sale – Saturday /Sunday (9-3/4):**

See above.

**Bake Sale at Yard Sale – Saturday/Sunday (9-3/4):**See above.

**Pancake Breakfast - December 3rd at Rec Center:**

We currently have 4 vendors who will sell their arts/crafts but we are looking for more. If you know of a Vendor, please send them Dorothy Baker’s way for the holiday bazaar portion. We will be doing baskets etc. this year. There will be more information at the October meeting along with sign up sheets. Marilyn Mylius will be helping Dorothy with this event,

**New Business:**

**Airlift NW and Life Flight**

Today is the final day to sign up for both Airlift NW and Life Flight through the Auxiliary group membership. This is insurance to cover emergency air lift transport and most people sign up for both in case one operator is not available for an airlift.

**Sunshine: Sharyl Nelson**

Sharyl advised that there was nothing to share.

**Good of the Order:**

Lisa Jenkins – the Williams Lake fire, south of Cheney, is close to their house. Her husband Tom is a captain of the Cheney FD and they are fighting this fire. Thoughts and prayers to send to them.

Could something be put on the website to start the process to join the Auxiliary?

Becky Payne moved to adjourn the meeting, and Fred Guimond seconded, and the motion passed.

Jim MacMillan adjourned the meeting at 7:51 p.m.

**Next meeting:**

There will not be a September meeting because of the Yard Sale so the next meeting is October 5th at 7:00 p.m. at Ponderosa with a pot luck beginning at 5:30 p.m.