

**RED FEATHER LAKES FIRE PROTECTION  
DISTRICT BOARD MEETING  
TUESDAY AUGUST 13, 2024, at 6 PM HYBRID  
MEETING MINUTES**

**Meeting Called to Order:** 6:00 pm

**Roll Call/Introductions: Present:** Dan Defibaugh, President; Caryn Hughes, Treasurer; Darla Moxon, Director; Nancy Kay, Secretary  
**Present:** Brenden (Bobby) Hill, RFL Fire Chief; Gerry Wagner, FF & President of Firehouse Supporters (501c3)

**Review/Approve of Minutes:**

Caryn made a motion to approve the Minutes from July 9, 2024, Board meeting, Darla 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion, all approved.

**Financial Report:**

Caryn went over the financial report with us. We have \$279,113.48 in our checking account and \$281,337.82 in our Colo Trust account, for a total of 560,451.30.

For the month of July we brought in \$48,271.90 through taxes, \$5,000.00 through Medical Services (annually Crystal Lakes pays us for the use of our ambulance), AirLink \$310.20 and PVREA \$600.00 (annually Poudre Valley REA pays us for the Micro-grid) for a total income of \$ 56,470.94.

Our expenses for the month of July were Administration \$8614.04, Operating expenses \$3,258.30 and our Capital Outlay \$3,223.63, for a total expense of \$15,095.97. We had a net income of \$41,374.97 for July.

Nancy made a motion to accept the Financial Report for July as received, Darla 2<sup>nd</sup>, all approved. Our Accounting Services recently changed hands; it is Black Mountain Tax & Consulting. They do our annual Exemption from Audit, we felt it would be easier to keep them as our bookkeepers also, they agreed to keep our fee the same as the previous business.

Nancy made a motion to continue with the Black Mountain Tax & Consulting, Darla 2<sup>nd</sup>, all approved.

**Chief's Report:**

Bobby went over the Chief's report with us. Last month we had 18 calls, 4 were fire related and 14 were medical/trauma, which brings us to 83 calls to date.

Chris Edwards is the Communications Officer, and he has a team of 4 or 5 other fire fighters working on different communication issues. We recently received new antennas and a new receiver, our end goal is to have our radios work better, so we can talk to each other when we are out in the field. We have four portable/handheld Kenwood radios that Chris had to take down to have reprogrammed. We plan to buy a few more of these radios, the Kenwoods are \$2,000.00 vs. Motorolas would be \$4,000.00 each.

We have been working with Crystal Lakes Fire Chief Mike Clark, to make sure we are operationally on the same page.

Katie Thorne is a new member of RFLFPD, she is a Paramedic at UCH in FT. Collins. She is a ten-year Paramedic and a supervisor at UCH, she won't be a fire fighter only in the department as medical, she will be the Medical Officer for RFLFPD.

Starlink is helping our communication a lot, especially since we added it to our ambulance, we can do Wi-Fi calling. Bobby is hoping to add a couple more units including getting Starlink for the station. We have Starlink in Squad 1 and Med 1, they are on almost every call.

## **Supporter's Report:**

Gerry Wagner presented the Supporter's Report. We started the month with \$94,824.57, we had check donations of \$690.00, and PayPal donations of \$18.93, So that brought our balance to \$95,523.50. We spent \$90.36 for the food for 4<sup>th</sup> of July. Gerry is going to pick up a credit card for Bobby for Home Depot. We ended up the month of July with \$95,632.14.

Gerry ordered the T-shirts to sell for Fire Day, they are navy blue with a picture of the Alexander Fire.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **Microgrid/generator**

Gerry has not done anything this month with the generator. Mikey with Colins Control wants to rebuild or replace the carburetor. Colins Control is reluctant to replace the mother board for the generator, this will cost around \$3,000.00. With the most recent electric outage along the Front Range, Colins Control has been busy installing units for home use. Gerry says it has been hard to have Mikey come up to work on our generator.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Rachel & Karen's presentation to the Board about their trip to Africa**

Neither Rachel nor Karen was present or sent any messages.

### **SDA Annual Conference**

Caryn & Darla are both planning to attend.

### **Rebecca's resignation**

Nancy made a motion to accept Rebecca's resignation that she emailed to the board a day after the July board meeting. Caryn 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion, all accepted the resignation.

We will have to find someone interested in joining the board. They must live (own or rent) in our RFL Fire District.

### **Fire Day (Saturday of Labor Day Weekend)**

Gerry is running this. Dan is the grill sergeant; 2 hotdogs, chips, cookie, water bottle for \$5.00. This will provide food at the POA for the convenience of the vendors and shoppers. The Deli in the Trading Post and Donna Kennedy's Tacos in front of ACE Hardware and there may be another food truck, between the two or three food providers people shouldn't go hungry.

Gerry mentioned if any of the board members will be in the village Saturday, August 31, he could use help at the Supporter's table selling T-shirts.

## **OPEN BOARD DISCUSSION**

### **Public Comment (limit to 3 minutes)**

Dan gave Bobby's email address to a Volunteer Fire Department who are looking to buy used fire equipment. We have Tender 3 and the Service Truck to sell.

Bobby offered the RF Library 5 rides on the fire truck as prizes for kids in the summer reading program.

**MEETING ADJOURNED** Nancy made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:56 pm, Caryn 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion, all approved.