

**CLVFD Business Meeting Agenda  
October 26, 2023**

**Call to Order**

**Approval of / Additions to the Agenda**

**Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting**

**DISCUSSION TOPICS**

**Personnel**

- Vote on approving Jay Smith as a full member of the department.
- Nominations for 2024 Officer Elections
  - Elected Officers – Chief, Assistant Chiefs
  - Appointed Officers – Safety, Training, Traffic Control, Public Information, Secretary/Admin
- Appointment of Election Official for 2024 Officer Elections.

**Department Appreciation**

- Holiday Party – Tentatively planned for Tuesday, December 12 in the Community Center, meeting at 5:00 with dinner served at 6:00pm, catered by Brett Oberhammer. We need to approve the date and discuss potential dinner selections (sent with agenda).

**Operations**

- November and December business meetings – As the meetings for each of the next two months will either fall on a holiday or very near to one, we're going to combine them and hold the combined meeting on a date in between the original meeting dates. Please come prepared to vote on which of the following dates you prefer.
  - Tuesday, November 28th
  - Sunday, December 3rd
  - Tuesday, December 5th
- Goals for 2023 – updates
  - Website rebuild – Marian and Mike – along with Evan, Anne, and Jody Randol – Transition to Streamline in progress.
  - Open house – Mark – Completed!
  - Rules and Regulations revision – Marian – working group: Anne, Karen & Mark – Target for completion: end of year.
  - SOG revision – Jim – in the process of setting up working group
  - 5-Year Plan revision – Doug – working group: Jody Randol, Mike, Robin – Target date for completion: January 1, 2024.

- Recruitment – Anne heading up the task force – investigating legal and insurance issues before proceeding with auxiliary positions. Officers have decided to table the exploration of adding auxiliary positions until February.

## **Safety**

- Jim will speak on safety topics

## **INFORMATION ITEMS**

### **Community Outreach**

- Chili Cookoff – By the numbers...
  - 10 chili contestants (12 registered, 2 backed out at the last minute but said to keep the registration fee)
  - 5 bread contestants
  - 85-100 "Tasters" (counting all helpers and all the folks counted at the door)
  - Donated prizes for contestants: \$269.45
  - All door prizes donated by vendors at the Labor Day Craft Fair.
  
  - Contestant Registration fees: \$425
  - Entry fees for Tasters (most as boot donations with 7 tickets sold online ahead of time): \$556.72
  - Dessert Sales: \$93.00
  - Total Income: 1074.72
  - Total expenses: \$477.27 (This Includes decorations, serving supplies, beverages, and awards plaques made by Alex.)
  
  - All said and done, we made \$597.45 for the fire department. Well done, all!!
- Red Feather Elementary School Fire Prevention Week event, Wednesday, 10/18 – Our attendance and assistance was requested by Red Feather Lakes VFD. Brad organized our response, which included Karen, Jay, Brad, and Anne in Engine 1 and Steve and Mel in Brush 1.

## **Equipment**

- Boat shed – The boat and some equipment have been moved to the shed.
  - Boat storage and cold weather – After researching the issue, the officers have decided to keep the boat in the shed all winter this year and carefully inspect it in the spring to determine if it's suffered any damage from cold temperatures. Based on research, we expect little to no degradation and/or the degradation to be slow enough that the tradeoff of having to purchase a new boat on a more escalated timeframe than originally planned is worth the positive of having the boat on site if it's needed.

- Boat shed equipment – Officers have determined to purchase the following:
  - Mustang ice rescue suit identical to those we have
  - Neoprene cold-water gloves
  - Pro-Tec water helmet
  - Boat safety throw rings
  - Water rescue throw bag with 98 feet of rope
  - O'Neill Superlite USCG life vest
- Boat shed equipment addtl – We will also be moving the telescoping recovery pole from Support into the boat shed and will look into purchasing a second recovery pole set when funds allow.
- Backup camera – The backup camera for Tender 1 has been installed. Reminder: This is a secondary safety device – all drivers must use backers and pay attention to their directions.
- SDR cubbyholes – Installed by Alex and labelled with SDRs' call numbers and names. People may now leave items for SDRs in their cubbyholes. SDRs, please get in the habit of checking your cubbyhole periodically.
- Apparatus maintenance –
  - Tender 1 – Will be taken to TransWest for electrical issues in the next week or so, Brad organizing.
  - Squad 2 – Taken to Beck's for annual maintenance checks and repair of exhaust. It's in need of some moderately significant repairs, consistent with the heavy use it gets as a plow vehicle. We don't have an ETA on when it will be back yet.

## **Training**

- Fire training – October subject: SCBAs
  - CLVFD – Thursday 11/2 at 1800
  - RFLVFD – Tuesday 11/7 at 1800
  - Joint – Saturday 11/11 at 0900. Location: Red Feather station possibly (not finalized yet)
- Water Rescue Training – Evan and Brad are in contact with the county about possibly involving their dive team in training CLVFD on stillwater rescue. Other feelers are out as well, for professional training in the safe, effective use of the boat.
- 2024 training plans
  - CPR certification/recertification – Will be scheduled before mid-summer 2024, when members' certification expires, and will be run by Doug, who is a certified trainer.
  - First aid certification – Officers are working on arranging for next year, either by encouraging LCES to organize training for the mountain or hiring a trainer to come to Crystal.

## **Grants**

- Direct Distribution of PPE Grant – We've been awarded a grant of equipment worth \$20,204. We'll be receiving new leather structure boots for all firefighters, two sets of structure PPE, six wildland shirts, two pairs of wildland pants, three fire shelters, five pairs of wildland boots, one fire pack, three wildland helmets, and one SCBA pack with a mask and two cylinders.

## **Miscellaneous**

- Parking safety – Adding posts (donated by Evan) with reflectors along the edge of the parking area down from the station. We were waiting until after mitigation was finished to get the posts set, which we'll do soon using a post driver lent by Jody. Reflectors have been purchased and will be installed once the posts are driven.
- Mitigation and clean-up efforts around the station October 13th and 14th. Members put in 99 hours of labor cleaning around the station and on the neighboring CLWSA property and transported nine loads of slash to the Slash Depot. Many thanks to everyone who helped and to Robin and Mel for lunch.

## **As the Membership Desires**

## **Adjournment**