

Pine Mountain Volunteer Fire Department
Board Meeting Minutes

Minutes from Board Meeting January 20th, 2010

Gene King called the meeting to order at 7:03pm.

Pledge of Allegiance and Vocation lead by Gary Shalenoski.

Roll Call: Was omitted because acting President forgot. However, Dene Green was absent.

Secretary Bill Angus read minutes from the October 21st 2009 Board Meeting. Motion to accept the minutes made by Marvin Sontag, 2nd Mary Ann Lasecki. Motion carried.

Secretary Bill Angus read minutes of Special Board Meeting to elect officers of the Pine Mountain Volunteer Fire Department for 2010. Motion to accept the minutes made by Carol Peterson, 2nd Mary Ann Lasecki. Motion carried.

Treasurer Carol Peterson read the Treasurer's Report balance of \$40,759.51 in bank as of 09/30/09. We had deposits of \$7,892.28 and disbursements of \$10,416.65 leaving a 2009 year ending balance of \$38,234.14. Motion to accept Treasurer's Report was made by Bill Angus, 2nd by Marvin Sontag. Motion carried.

Marvin Sontag, read the Trash Report. We had 60 members with there dues due, 20 have paid, and expect the other 40 to come in pretty rapidly. Motion to accept Trash Report made by Mike Peterson, 2nd by Dick Quinn. Motion carried.

Mary Ann Lasecki read the Fund Raising Committee report. Last year we made \$3,858.80, minus \$1,500 seed money leaving a net profit of \$2,358.80. No motion, no 2nd r and no vote.

Harlan Ackerson read the First Responders Report. There were 3 calls and all came out well. Motion to accept First Responders Report made by Bill Angus, 2nd by Marvin Sontag. Motion carried.

The Fire Report was read by Fire Chief Dick Quinn. Since October we have had 3 fire calls, 2 were canceled and mute, the other was a bulldozer fire. Motion to accept the Fire Report as read by Mary Ann Lasecki, 2nd by James Odle. Motion carried.

Old Business:

Dick Quinn told us that the Wildland Fire Equipment mentioned in the minutes has been purchased. Now all new firefighters now have Wildland Fire Equipment. We have received a grant of \$3,042 from the Arkansas Rural Fire Association to buy new hose. We have ordered 18 reels of 50 foot hose. There remains \$450 of this grant money to be used as directed by the Board. We have heard nothing as of yet from FEMA on pumper gear or turnout gear. We also have heard nothing from Forestry on Wildland Fire Gear. There has been few applicants to Forestry. So likely all applicants will get new gear.

Discussion of raising the spending limit from \$200 to \$500 without Board approval. During the discussion, all interested members voiced their opinions on both sides of the question. Dick Quinn made a motion to raise the spending limit from \$200 to \$500 without Board approval. 2nd Bill Angus. Motion carried with one opposing vote.

Harlan Ackerson made a motion that no member may spend in the range of \$200 to \$500 without prior approval of the Fire Chief or in his absence the Assistant Fire Chief, 2nd Carol Peterson. Motion carried with one abstention.

Ron Dana gave us a report on progress with the Webbs Landing Sub-Station. We have the property bulldozed. We have ordered a building 20 X 32 feet long from US Steel. We will have to pour the foundation. We don't have to take delivery of the building until March or April.

New Business:

Gene King formally announced the resignation of Kimble Garner from the Board. Kimble Garner tendered his resignation from the Board by letter stating his opposition to the direction that the Board was taking.

Marvin Sontag made a motion to transfer \$2008.92 from the Trash Fund into the General Fund.

Marvin Sontag made a motion that the Pine Mountain Volunteer Fire Department forgo the usual \$36 trash dues for those members who assist us in processing the trash, 2nd Mary Ann Lasecki. Motion carried with one abstention. The trash dues for trash haulers would be \$57.10 instead of \$93.10.

Dick Quinn opened a discussion relating to the audit.

Dick Quinn opened a short discussion relating to the Newsletter. Members have apparently suggested to him that they want more articles, a listing of new members and what you might call general gossip. He also suggested that perhaps the newsletter should be turned over to a committee who could start preparation of the newsletter in July. This would ensure publication by December.

Discussion regarding the old tool truck. We have already put over \$500 into it. The motor runs great, however the vehicle needs some major repair, estimated at well over \$1000. The question is whether we should put the money into it to repair it, or just strip it down, removing anything of value and scrap the remainder. Mary Ann Lasecki made a motion to strip the vehicle down and scrap the remainder, 2nd Harlan Ackerson. Motion carried.

Election of Officers:

Carol Peterson nominated Gene King as President. No 2nd. Motion carried with one abstention.

There will be a special Board Meeting held before the Regular Board Meeting April 21st 2010 to elect a Vice-President.

Marvin Sontag motioned that we adjourn the meeting, 2nd by Carol Peterson. Motion carried.

Gene King adjourned the Board Meeting at approx 8:45pm.