

Board of Commissioners
Rea Valley Fire Protection District
2015 09 03 Minutes

Chairman Brent Dove brought the meeting to order at 6:10pm.

Secretary Report: The 2015 08 03 minutes were emailed to the BoC on August 4, 2015. Tami Jo Fuerst made a motion to approve the minutes as emailed. Randy White seconded the motion. Minutes were voted on and unanimously approved.

Treasurers Report: Treasurer presented the itemized income and expense reports for August 2015 and the balance sheets dated August 31, 2015. The estimated September 2015 bills report was also presented (see attached). Brent Dove made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report as presented. The motion was seconded by Randy White. The motion was voted on and passed.

Chairman Dove requested a 2014 and 2015 year to date P&L comparison be sent to the BoC Members.

Chief's Report:

The Chief's report was presented by Deputy Fire Chief Ken Kenny August 2015(see attached). In addition, Chief David Hannah was injured on a call September 03, 2015. He was going to pick up the workman comp forms from Keith Edmonds, Marion County OEM on Friday on the way to the Doctor. Tami Fuerst contacted Bill Byrd for the forms from VFIS and gave them to David Hannah Thursday, September 03, 2015.

The brakes on R-3 were repaired by Mostrom's.

T-3: The estimated amount for the repairs on the tanker is \$2,000.00. The minimum repairs are: the fill valve, rack, platform and safety ladder. Brent Dove made a motion to limit the repairs to Tanker 3 to no more than \$2,000.00. Randy White seconded the motion. The motion was voted on and passed.

T-2: Tanker 2 is currently out of service. The problem appears to be the starter. As the starter has been replaced, Deputy Fire Chief Kenny suggested Baker Truck and Equipment be contacted and have them make a service call. Brent Dove made a motion to contact Baker Truck for the service call. Steven Clark seconded the motion. The motion was voted on and passed unanimously. **Deputy Fire Chief Kenny will contact Baker.**

Service Truck 1 (aka brush truck): The brush truck is currently at Mostrom's for repair. The fuel pump is out. The estimated cost for the parts is \$200.00 to \$400.00 plus labor.

Rescue 3: Apparently the third and fourth gears are out on the transmission. **Brent Dove will contact Cherry's Transmission as they had repair the transmission a year ago.**

Grants: Deputy Fire Chief Ken Kenny has completed two grant applications. They are:

1. Forestry for \$2,000.00 for medical equipment.
2. AR Fire Rural Development also \$2,000.00 for any needed equipment.

New Equipment: Deputy Fire Chief Ken Kenny has requested an additional Freightliner from Forestry. It is unknown if and when we will receive one.

Old Business:

IRS: The exemption letter from the IRS was received on 08/03/2015. The exemption was approved.

EMT Training: Three firemen are currently taking the EMT training.

1995 E-1 Warrantee: Brent continues to work with Brindlee Mountain Fire Apparatus to iron out the new warrantee on the 1995 E-1 fire engine. We did not receive as much as we were hoping for. **Brent will send the latest information to the BoC members.**

The window air conditioner is installed and working.

The roof repair to Station 1 has been completed.

PPE Grant: Chairman Dove contacted FEMA and they are currently a year behind funding grants. As our application was not rejected, we may still receive the PPE grant of \$158,000.00

New Business:

Long term equipment needs:

On 08/17/2015 Chairman Dove and Treasure Fuerst met with Fire Chief David Hannah, Deputy Fire Chief Ken Kenny and Fire Captain Patrick Foster to discuss long term capital expenditures and equipment needs and the order in which we will need to acquire.

The order of the items needed most are as follows:

1. Turnouts and SCBA's
2. Truck replacement
 - a. Brush Truck (aka Service truck 1)
 - b. Rescue 3 replace with an additional dual cab brush truck
3. Building expansion and enclosing the BBQ area.

1a. the turnouts are old and may not protect our firemen in a structure fire and several of the SCBA's are out of service. We do have two sets of turnouts that are less than two years old. Replacing the Turnouts and SCBA's will need to be our priority.

Four turnouts estimated cost is \$8,000.00.

Four SCBA's estimated cost is \$24,000.00

Randy White suggested, we replace the turnouts and SCBA's a few at a time as funding allows. Currently, we need to replace at least 7 sets. Brent Dove made the motion to authorize the replacement of 3 turnouts and 2 SCBA's. Randy White seconded the motion. The motion was voted on and passed. **The Fire Chief Hannah will deal with the sizing.**

2a. Trucks no decision.

3a. Buildings: Due to the large expense and limited funds any expansion and enclosing of the BBQ area are tabled indefinitely.

Tami Fuerst told the BoC members that she is looking for a low profile desk to replace the one we have. As the green mold has absorbed in to the wood of the desk, we do not know if it is safe. She is looking for one that is narrow with an upper hutch for the computer, printer and supplies. It is the hope that one can be located through seconded hand store. She will also contact Don Sturms to ask if he will make a set of French doors to close off the pass through. This is to prevent the new air conditioner from having to work so hard.

Fire prevention week begins October 4, 2014. As the RVVFD Aux. pig roast is normally on 10/03/2015 which they are not having. The BoC members were asked if they felt the Rea Valley community would have any interest in have an information day and use it as a recruitment opportunity. Randy White expressed the thought that with so many people having to work so hard in the currently economy; he did not feel that a community day would be very beneficial. Therefore, the BoC members agreed and that no active will be scheduled for 10/03/2015.

Mileage rate for the fire department will be the Federal rate.

The next BoC meeting will be Tuesday October 05, 2015 at 6:00pm at Station 1.

Randy White made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Tami Jo Fuerst; motion was voted on and passed. The meeting was adjourned at 7:23pm by Chairman Brent Dove.

Respectfully submitted

TAMI JO FUERST

BoC Attendees:

Brent Dove
Steve Clark
Randy White
Tami Jo Fuerst

Guest

Ken Kenny, Deputy Fire Chief
Patrick Foster, Fire Captain
Tom Lauritsen