

Spokane County Fire District #5
June 27, 2009 Regular Meeting Minutes

Members Present: Jim Ryan and Todd Lehman

District Administrator: Carol Harrington

Guests: see attached sign in sheet

Time Meeting Began: 7:00p.m.

- **Flag Salute**
- **The minutes from the May 25, 2009 Regular Meeting were reviewed and approved as presented.**
- **The treasury report was reviewed.** Carol read the report aloud including the balance of the Medic 51 loan.
- **The June bills** were reviewed. The expenses were unanimously approved for \$26,190.53.
- **Correspondence:** None at this time.
- **Administrators Report:** The summer hours will be on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:00a.m. to 12:00 noon unless otherwise posted due to childcare as her boys are on summer break.
- **Fire Chief's Report:**
 - **Personnel:** Jennifer Jensen was awarded Basic Life Support Emergency Medical Technician of the Year by Spokane County EMS for 2009. We are very proud of her and lucky to have her. Kjell Anderson and Bill Leonard are, as of today, Station Captains. Brandon Meiers is a new recruit who has cleared the test and interview. Pending his physical, I would like the board to approve him as part of our team. **Todd motioned to approve Brandon Meiers as a new volunteer, Jim seconded and the motion passed.**
 - **Training:** The 1st training of the month involved practice on water tender credits where we also filled a tank at the Pence's place. The 2nd training we set up a Porta-Pond and transferred water to fill the tank at the Anderson place; all went well and we had a good turnout. Two of our volunteers went to Spokane County Fire District 10 with a tender to assist them in tender credit training.
 - **Stations:** N/A
 - **Equipment:** All wildland grant items have been received.

Old Business:

1. **EMS/Lid Lift:** Move to future agendas as we only have two commissioners on the board.
2. **Station 53 Well:** Todd reported that he and Sylvia at the County played phone tag as had a hard time getting hold of her. Ron said we could find out the cost but would spend time and money just to find out we cannot afford it. Jim said we could keep working on just drawing up a plan; Todd agreed and said that Ron had come up with some good ideas.
3. **Open Board Position:** We are now past the 90 days and it is now in the hands of the Spokane County Commissioners. Todd said to put Dave Burdge's notes in with the rest of the interview notes. Todd and Jim both told Carol she would have their notes by the end of this week.
4. **Phone/Internet:** Jim said that Jed told him his boss could get internet service at approximately \$30/month and the installation would be free. Jim thinks it is a dish. Jim, Todd and Carol agreed that this would be a great deal. Jim will check with Jed and if it is feasible we could go for it. **Todd made a motion to get high speed Internet with this route, Jim seconded and the motion carried.**

New Business: There was no new business.

Public Concerns:

- **Gary Pietz:** In 2007 we were told that Brush 513 was out of service. In 2008 there was no fuel or response records for that vehicle. Is it in service? Ron said yes, it is. Gary asked what was done to make it serviceable. Ron said it underwent an inspection to make sure it runs and it runs great. Gary asked whose decision is it to put it in or out of service. Ron said it is the Chief's decision. It is now housed at Ritchey Rd. Discussion followed on who informs the board on what trucks are in service and where they are housed. Todd was concerned why that truck was out of service in the first place.

There was no other business.

The next regular meeting will be July 27, 2009 at 7:00p.m.

The regular meeting adjourned at 7:26p.m.

Spokane County Fire District 5 Chairman

Sheri Rhoads resigned
Spokane County Fire District 5 Commissioner

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Attest: Spokane County Fire District 5 District Administrator