

**Spokane County Fire District #5
Special Meeting Minutes
June 21, 2010 7:00p.m.**

Members Present: Todd Lehman, Gary Pietz, and Larry Wendlandt

District Secretary: not required to be present

Time Meeting Began: 7:00p.m.

- **Review Applicant for Volunteer Service:** Discussed Bethany Cobb's interview. Discussed pager problems at the Cobb home. **Larry made a motion to put Bethany Cobb on; Todd seconded the motion. It passed with 2 yea votes and 1 nay vote.** A phone call system will be put into place to notify the Cobbs of all calls; Ron will do this.
- **Discuss Policy Change:** The policy will remain the same for now.
- **Discuss Volunteer Recruitment/Retention Ideas:** Gary said maybe not pay for training drills but pay more for call response. Gary wanted to know what it meant when Ron says a volunteer is not available. Larry said that the board, as commissioners, should show more support toward the volunteers. Larry also said maybe we should down-size the equipment a little and have everyone go to one station when a call goes out. That maybe we should drain the water from all the trucks in storage at Station 52 and then we won't have to heat it. Ron said this would not be a good idea as it will more than double the response times to certain areas and raise the insurance rates for those beyond the five mile limit. Larry said he didn't move out here for the insurance rates. He also said that Ron should prepare to defend the station staying open and to bring help. Discussed if we are independent enough to take SCFD9 off our first page. Larry thought we should try to get some kids on for summer time help only. Ron said that SCFD10 has a program for that but they are only used in a support role. Ron thinks maybe we should have three volunteers sign up for weekends and those people would be home and ready to go. Ron will implement this idea.

There was no other business.

The meeting adjourned at 8:35p.m.

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Attest: Spokane County Fire District 5 Secretary