

Pecan Grove Fire Department

Business Meeting

November 6, 2018

- I. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p m.
- II. Prayer led by Larry Danna.
- III. Pledge led by Chief Woolley.
- IV. Roll call: Joe Cartwright
- V. Minutes from October meeting presented by Joe Cartwright. After a motion by Blake Thompson to accept the minutes as presented, seconded by James Bishop, the motion passed.
- VI. Financial Report: Chief Woolley:
 - A. No Surprises -- preparing for new truck in budget.
 - B. Checking is kept at less than \$20,000; deposits in excess are rolled over to CDARS account automatically.
 - C. Community Relations shows \$6,100 profit for last month.
 - D. Motion to accept Report made by James Bishop, seconded by Mickey Pallardy; motion passed.
 - E. Two more notations:
 1. E62 in for repair; expecting \$18K to \$20K bill; estimate is \$10K.
 2. County money in any day.
- VII. Communications: None reported.
- VIII. Unfinished business:
 - A. Membership -- James Bishop
 1. One applicant at first meeting tonight -- Miles Miller wants to be FF and help community
 2. One applicant eligible for probationary membership -- Sheldon Buchborn (3rd business meeting)
 3. Those not full members were excused for the discussion period.

4. It was noted that Sheldon Buchborn is very interested in joining the Army soon, and may not be available for PGVFD if he is accepted by the Army.
5. Sheldon was called back into the room and interviewed to bring more light on his plans for joining the Army.
6. Matt Cornell made a motion (seconded by Larry Perry) that Sheldon's application be tabled until February 1, 2019, in order to determine what might happen with his Army plans. Motion passed.

B. Training: (Matt Cornell)

1. 11/13 – Truck orientation.
2. 11/20 – Family training; service days orientation.
3. 11/27 – Hydrant connection testing: hook up to hydrant, etc.
4. Looking at setting up testing here in March for SFFFM FF1.
5. Basic (old system) to FF1: need to do test to recertify.
6. Chief Woolley also mentioned that the department would need to do HIPPA training in January, and Sexual Harassment Awareness.
7. James Garcia noted that TEEEX has a new online portal, which has all certifications from the past. Mickey Pallardy commented that there were still some bugs with the new TEEEX portal.
8. Billy Hoft started a discussion about learnings from a response to an apartment fire in Waterside. After the fire was contained and extinguished, several issues came to light:
 - a) Need for pre-planning;
 - b) Discussion on use of pre-planning form: does form still exist?
 - c) Several other issues at site.
 - d) Chief Woolley noted that preplans need to be updated.
 - e) Discussion of fire call and need for additional personnel.
9. Larry Perry has certificates for those who took the HazMat Decontamination Class.

C. Equipment:

1. E-66 is back
 - a) Issue with pump shift switch
 - b) Pneumatic switch has been put in; still has problems.
2. E62 still being repaired.
3. S62 going to Brookshire FD; still in the works.
4. T62: holding out, deciding on fate.
 - a) Two people want.
 - b) Online Academy wants.
 - c) Mike Hafer wants for FB Fire Field
5. C61: checked out; differential problems now fixed.
 - a)

D. C/R Committee (Blake Thompson)

1. Harvest Green Harvest Fest:
 - a) Saturday 11/10/18.
 - b) Be at Station 1 8:00am; set up begins at 9:00am.

- c) Festival runs from 11:00 to 3:00pm.
- 2. Veteran's Day Ceremony on 11/10/18, 9am to 11am, at 6 Flags Park on Plantation.
- 3. 11/16: PG Elementary Celebrity Reader Day.
- 4. 11/18: Pecan Harvest Festival
- 5. 12/3: Wrapping gifts for Christmas Party.

IX. New business

- A. Chief Woolley reviewed highlights from a duty crew meeting; duty crew going to all t-shirts.
 - 1. Billy Hoft noted that volunteers could only fill in for duty crew if they had both medical and fire certifications.
- B. Regarding the forms for EMS calls:
 - 1. 311 is for EMS assist only.
 - 2. 321 has space for more patient information.
 - 3. Billy Hoft also commented that completed reports are a must. Reports can turn into grants, if done correctly.
- C. Billy Hoft also discussed the next year's projects:
 - 1. Looking at 7 year replacement for all bunker gear.
 - 2. Station 1 roof replacement.
- D. Discussion of 2019 budget
 - 1. New truck loan: one yearly payment of \$71,000, due in July of each year.
 - 2. Replace Squad 61.
 - 3. Better rain & winter coat gear
 - 4. Staffing: trying to expand volunteer program.
- E. Other items:
 - 1. Communications: Billy Hoft wanted to know if current emails are going through.
 - 2. Some current problems with Active 911.
 - 3. S. O. has budget for MDT's.
 - a) Denise Davis noted that MDT's are very detailed.
 - 4. Christmas Party will be 12/4/18, beginning at 6:30pm; invitations are going out. Outsiders coming to party will be charged \$20 each.
 - 5. Chief Woolley commented that there was a new look for the budget.
 - 6. There is still some money in the 2018 budget for EMS use.
 - 7. Corey Chierighino asked about a 2019 budget item – 6300 – about building furniture, fixtures, and improvements.

X. Good of the Order:

- A. James Serrano has heart issues; having stint put in on Friday.
- B. Corey Chierighino said thanks to the department for the use of the tables at his wedding celebration.
- C. Thanks to Joseph French, Steven Metcalf, and his son for painting.
- D. Congratulations to Corey Chierighino, Blake Thompson, and Sarah McGarrigle for passing FF1.

XI. Meeting adjourned at 9:08 pm.