

**Minutes of July 26, 2012  
Regular Fire Board Meeting  
Black Canyon Fire District**

- ITEM I:** *Call to Order:* The monthly Board Meeting was called to order on Thursday, July 26th, 2012 at 6:03 PM.
- ITEM II:** *Roll Call of Board Members:* Present - Chairperson Marilyn Forsythe, J. Coslett-Muirhead, P. Chartier, S. McMahon and D. Kenson. Also present: Chief Birch and E. Caldwell.
- ITEM III:** **Pledge of Allegiance:** Pete Chartier led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- ITEM IV:** *Minutes from the June 28th, 2012 Regular Fire Board Meeting:* <D. Kenson> Motions to accept the Minutes from the June 28th, 2012 regular Fire Board Meeting, <P. Chartier> seconds the motion. **Motion carries unanimously 5 – 0.**
- ITEM V:** *Bookkeeping report from June 2012:* <S. McMahon> Motions to accept the Bookkeeping Report for June 2012: <Jeri Coslett-Muirhead> seconds the motion. **Motion carries unanimously 5 – 0.**
- ITEM VI:** *Ambulance bookkeeping and Insurance Billing Report for June 2012:* <Chief> If you look at the End-of-the-Year Budget you will see we came in at **133%** for Ambulance Billing Kudos to Elaine, Alison and Karen for their efforts! < J. Coslett-Muirhead > Motions to accept the June 2012 Ambulance and Insurance Bookkeeping Report. < P. Chartier > seconds the motion. **Motion carries unanimous 5 – 0.**
- ITEM VII:** *Chief's Report:* <Chief> There are no Dept. member anniversaries this month.

Incidents for the month of June 2012 = 74 vs. 80 during June 2011.

Total transports, including from scene to helicopter:

June 2012 = 28

June 2011 = 45

January 1, 2012 to June 30, 2012 – 205

January 1, 2011 to June 30, 2011 = 235

Combined training hours for the month of June 2012 = 334.

Capt. Johnson submitted a grant proposal for a new SCBA compressor, 16 new SCBA's and a Type 3 Wildland Engine through FEMA's Fire Act Grant program. This grant process requires matching funds, or about \$17,000 which has been budgeted for.

During the week of July 9<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>, representatives from the Tonto National Forest Service used the fire station for their fire information center due to "Cook's Complex" fires east of BCC. The Dept. was also able to assist the Forest Service by sending our water tender to fill a holding tank for the helicopters to retrieve water.

Attached is a Certificate of Appreciation from the National Forest Service for the support services we were able to provide them during the Cooks Complex Fire.

**ITEM VIII:** *Discuss and/or vote on approving a filtration and/or water softener system for the station:* <S. McMahon> Motions to discuss and/or vote on approving a filtration and/or water softener system for the station; <D. Kenson> seconds the motion. <Chief> We received two bids on a water softener system, one at \$6,000 and one for \$11,000. In researching the reason for the big difference between the two bids, I discovered the lower bid utilized plastic piping called pex-pipe; the higher bid utilized copper pipe. Researching further, I was told that pex-pipe is not normally used in "government" buildings but there doesn't appear to be any particular reason. I contacted the County to find out if pex-pipe was permissible in commercial buildings, and it is. Regardless whatever we do we will need a permit.

The other issue is the drainage. It cannot go into the septic system. We could drain it away from the septic but that would entail cutting into the concrete and asphalt. Phosphate is also used but no one could tell me how it is to be drained. The County recommended we contact someone at environmental services to find out what our options might be. They have not called me back yet.

The purpose of considering a water softener is to extend the life of the plumbing in the station and protect our investment. Looks like we are back to square one and it is not going to be as easy as I had hoped. So let me do some more homework and see what we come up with. <M. Forsythe> We will table this until next month.

**ITEM IX:** *Discuss and/or vote on approving a revolving line of credit from JPMorgan Chase Bank pursuant to A.R.S. Section 11-604.01 and requesting Yavapai County Treasurer to enter into an agreement with the Bank to provide a Line of Credit to the District:* <S. McMahon> Motions to approve a revolving line of credit from JPMorgan Chase Bank pursuant to A.R.S. Section 11-604.01 and requesting Yavapai County Treasurer to enter into an agreement with the Bank to provide a Line of Credit to the District; <P. Chartier> Seconds the motion. **Motion carries unanimous 5 - 0.**

**ITEM X:** *Discuss and/or vote on approving a "Waiver of Conflict of Interest and Consent to Joint Representation" in regards to the SFD Intergovernmental Dispatch Service Agreement:* <D. Kenson> Motions to approve the "Waiver of Conflict of Interest and Consent to Joint Representation" in regards to the SFD Intergovernmental Dispatch Service Agreement; <S. McMahon> seconds the motion. <Chief> we have done this before when we signed the original agreement with Sedona. It is time to sign another agreement. Due to the fact that Bill Whittington represents SFD Dispatch Services, we would have to hire a different attorney in the event we didn't agree with something in the agreement. We already use another attorney, Greg Good, **Motion carries unanimous 5 - 0.**

**ITEM XI:** *Public Call:* <Bob Cothorn> publically thanks BCFD for their assistance with the July 4<sup>th</sup> festivities.

**ITEM XII:** *Adjournment.* < P. Chartier > Motions to adjourn. <Jeri Coslett-Muirhead >seconds the motion. **Motion passes unanimously 5 - 0.**

**Meeting Adjourned at 6:28PM**

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