



# JOINT MEETING OF THE SBFFA AND TCFPD 8

**MAY 6, 2013**



Minutes from the May 6<sup>th</sup> 2013 Association meeting

The meeting opened at 7:05. 27 members were in attendance.

**Treasurer's Report:** Checking - \$2417.15 Savings - \$6012.22 Cash - \$200.02 Total - \$8629.37

## **Old Business:**

Pres Kilpatrick discussed a proposal to purchase 100 challenge coins from the fire department for resale by the association. The coins need to be surplus and then the Association will purchase for \$545.00. So moved and passed by the membership. Additional discussion showed favor for resale at \$10.00.

## **Committee Updates:**

Old Station 81 Training Center – Chris LaDue

LaDue passed out an info packet explaining some current and future plans for the training center. Work is under way on improvements to the roof prop.

Old Engine Restoration and Ladder – Doug Kilpatrick

Kilpatrick reported that there have been some discussions but no major work started as of yet. The brakes are going to be worked on and we would like to have the engine operational for this year's parade season.

Fun Activities – Sean Murphy

June 8<sup>th</sup> Firefighter night at a Rainier's game. Sign up in day room for tickets by May 17th. Tickets purchased by dept and then pulled from stipend checks for easy processing.

Memorial Garden/Pop Machine – Walker Armstrong

Armstrong met with Mr. Droll and a concept drawing will be made. A motion for the \$200 fee from Mr. Droll was passed by the membership. The pop machine is once again full. The Gatorade and energy drinks have been removed and replaced with popular choices. All beverages are \$1.

Communications – Jonathan Clemens

Clemens will be consolidating information normally sent out in bits and pieces into a newsletter for members. Additionally, work will be done to improve our Facebook account and postings.

## **New Business:**

- Chief VanCamp discussed daytime staffing with the members. The chiefs have realigned their schedules to provide for response. Two chiefs start at 6am and two end at 6pm. This is one part of a three-prong approach Chief discussed. Second is a plan to propose temporary Firefighter positions for daytime coverage. The third part is Volunteer daytime staffing. A meeting discussing this was held by all the officers and a hand out of that meeting was presented to the members. Chief will be working on the suggestions with the exec team. Two suggestions of note were a temporary stipend multiplier and more frequent payday (monthly, weekly) for day time shifts as incentives.
- Commissioner Parsons discussed daytime staffing efforts by the commissioners after Chief's presentation. Touched on future options changing with Dist 7 personnel being added and discussions with the union and the possibilities that might develop with those. Commissioner Parsons also discussed evening staffing at 82/83 and could that be an option. If there are any potential candidates for fire commissioner out there that any of the members might know the deadline for submitting candidacy is fast approaching. Talks with Dist 7 are still ongoing.
- Commissioner Small updated the group about the talks between 7 and 8 and the IGA. Many of the documents are now online for review on our website. Tomorrow (May 7<sup>th</sup>) there will be a joint 7/8 commissioners meeting.
- Member Sean Murphy has been attending the Dist 7/8 meeting also and is available for any questions as well as Commissioner Small.
- Pres Kilpatrick brought up an idea to help the West, Texas Volunteer Fire Dept. The membership motioned and passed donation \$500.00 to a National Fallen Firefighter Foundation fund set up for them and sending a letter, a signed card, a patch, and a coin.

## **Executive Team:**

A/C McBride – Provided update that MDT in E-81 is not working. The modem on this rig is old and needs to be replaced.

A/C LeMay – Safety Committee meeting minutes out. Discussed training completion options.

A/C Kessel – Reminded staff that the driving skills test will be held on May 11 all day. A signup sheet can be found at the mailbox area in the dayroom.

Chief VanCamp – A county wide training discussion took place. The idea of a "Medic One" style program was discussed at a recent meeting.

**Good of the Order:**

Safety Committee meeting is scheduled for Monday June 3<sup>rd</sup> at Station 71 at 8:00pm. This will be a joint meeting with Dist 7's committee. Longmire mentioned efforts to have a combined meeting night June 3<sup>rd</sup> with the officers at 6:00 and Association's at 7:00. Updates to follow.

August 11<sup>th</sup> is the picnic

Fallen Firefighters memorial at the Capitol Rotunda June 2<sup>nd</sup>.

EVIP reminder

**Meeting adjourned at 8:23**