

Pecan Grove Fire Department

Business Meeting

Conducted Online April 7, 2020

- I. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Chief Joe Woolley at 6:57 pm.
- II. Roll call: Joe Cartwright
- III. Minutes from previous month has been posted in Station 1. A draft copy of the minutes had also been sent out to the membership. Blake Thompson made a motion that the minutes be accepted as posted. Denise Davis seconded the motion. Motion passed.
- IV. Financial Report: presented by Chief Woolley
 - A. Larry Danna made a motion, seconded by Blake Thompson, that the financial report be accepted as presented. Motion passed.
- V. Unfinished business:
 - A. Membership – Corey Chierighino
 1. Two new applicants:
 - a) Casey Pitchford
 - b) Mike Rogers (previous member & officer; works as offshore paramedic)
 2. Pat Young offered the idea that we suspend taking new volunteers for now, but, after a brief discussion, no action was taken.
 3. Chief Woolley said that the possibility existed that we could lose a portion of (or all) the duty crew.
 - a) We might need to have a new procedure for temporary emergency volunteers.
 - b) This proposal was discussed for some time by Billy Hoft, Pat Young, Chief Woolley, and Jennifer Easley.
 - c) Conclusion is that this procedure would require a modification to the bylaws. This is being pursued.
 - d) Mike Rogers may be fast-tracked for full membership.
 - B. Training – Pat Young
 1. Due to the current COVID-19 situation, further training has been temporarily suspended.
 2. There was a discussion regarding volunteer response on COVID cases, and others. Primarily, the discussion involved how to keep all responders abreast with the latest advisories for responders.
 3. Thanks for donations of cleaning supplies.
 - C. Equipment (Jerod Vontz/Chief Woolley)
 1. Back-up cameras being added.
 2. PPE orders coming in.
 - D. C/R Committee (Blake Thompson)
 1. C/R events currently on pause.
- VI. New business:

- A. Proposed bylaws changes – 2nd reading: Asst. Chief Billy Hoft & Chief Woolley
 - 1. Third reading: The following proposed bylaws changes had been modified, and were subject to a third reading.
 - a) Change #3: Pat Young made a motion, seconded by Larry Danna, that this change be accepted. Motion passed.
 - b) Change #4: Blake Thompson made a motion, seconded by Larry Danna, that this change be accepted. Motion passed.
 - c) Change #8: Larry Danna made a motion, seconded by Blake Thompson, that this change be accepted. Motion passed.
 - d) Change #9: Pat Young made a motion, seconded by Blake Thompson, that this change be accepted. Motion passed.
 - e) Change #14: Pat Young made a motion, seconded by Larry Danna, that this change be accepted. Motion passed.
 - 2. Bylaws amendment, regarding temporary emergency, was again read to the membership.
- B. COVID-19 items – Denise Davis & others
 - 1. Updates on procedures coming.
 - 2. At least 2 cases flagged.
 - 3. IDA's: Infectious Disease Alerts
 - 4. Pat Young asked about taking the temperatures of volunteers and staff, as they report for duty. Billy Hoft noted that this is already being done.
 - 5. Long discussion regarding best response to current issues.
 - 6. Larry Danna made a motion to suspend Article , Section 3 until the state of emergency has ended. This would allow rapidly assimilating emergency volunteers. Corey Chierighino seconded, and the motion passed.
 - 7. This would make the earlier bylaws amendment unnecessary.
 - 8. Denise: no further updates; numbers going up.
 - 9. Chief Woolley: resources available for first responders for stress-related issues.
- VII. Communications
 - A. MUD considering building a MUD building in Pitts Road Park area.
 - B. Possibly considering building a new Station 1.
- VIII. Good of the Order – no report
- IX. Meeting adjourned at 9:02pm.