Pecan Grove Fire Department

Business Meeting

June 7, 2022

1. Note: this meeting being held at the Pecan Grove MUD meeting room, due to renovations at Station 1.
   1. Before the meeting was called to order, Clara Bishop held a short class in using the tablet computer to register participants in 5 Miles My Way and selling the event t-shirts.
2. Call to Order: This meeting was then called to order by Asst. Chief Hoft at 6:45 pm.
3. Invocation: Larry Danna
4. Pledge of Allegiance: Asst. Chief Hoft
5. Roll call: Done with sign-in sheet; Assistant Chief Billy Hoft and Blake Thompson marked attendance for members with excused absences.
6. Minutes:
   1. Minutes from the May business meeting had been posted at Station 1 for the membership to review. Logan Danna made a motion, seconded by George Samartzis, that the minutes be approved as presented. Motion passed.
7. Financial Report: Asst. Chief Hoft presented the report from October.
   1. Printout from 5/26; does not have latest info.
   2. $51K deposited since 5/26.
   3. Larry Perry made a motion, seconded by Ken Itzen, that the report be accepted as presented. Motion passed.
8. Communications:
   1. Larry Danna said that 5 Miles My Way and t-shirt sales would be publicized in the Fort Bend Herald
9. Unfinished business:
   1. Membership – Corey Chierighino:
      1. One new applicant: Stanley Obi.
      2. Three up for probationary:
         1. Glen Martin
         2. Emily Dunn
         3. Oscar Martir
      3. Dawson Bucek has stepped down as Training Captain to join the duty crew and we need a new person in the role. Pat Young was nominated by Logan Danna, seconded by George Samartzis. Logan Danna was also nominated but declined. Pat Young was elected.

* 1. Equipment – Asst. Chief Hoft
     1. E66: new turbo hose.
     2. All other apparatus in service.
     3. High Water Truck in for painting.
     4. Second High Water unit getting skid unit.
     5. Broken rear door panel on E62.
  2. Training – Pat Young
     1. Newly elected Training Captain Young will need to coordinate with past Training Captain Bucek to determine plans and get paper work.
     2. Will continue on pumper training outside.
     3. Burns coming up.
  3. C/R Committee – Blake Thompson
     1. 5 Miles registration/t-shirt sales:
        1. This Saturday – back by 1:30.
        2. Still spots open for t-shirt sales
        3. One spot open on fireworks crew.
     2. 5 Miles My Way items:
        1. Food after 5 Miles for workers discussed – to be announced; probably will be in bay of Station 1.
        2. Larry Danna working on food.
        3. Currently at $1,190.00
        4. $25K for fireworks show.
  4. Proposed Bylaws Changes
     1. Discussion deferred from last month.
     2. Discussion about use of bylaws committee.
     3. Discussion of proposed changes.
     4. Noted that Assistant Chief – Operational primarily dealt with Duty Crew issues and Assistant Chief – Administrative dealt with volunteer issues.
     5. Denise Davis said that the Fire Chief had not been consulted and he had several things that he disagreed with. Chief not in attendance to explain his concerns.
     6. Asst. Chief Billy Hoft noted that Chief Vontz thinks that a committee should be formed to make any changes.
     7. Larry Danna also noted that after a proposed change is discussed, the proposal could go back for a revision.
     8. All changes have to be sent on to the Fire Board for final approval.
     9. Discussion followed on whether to go ahead with discussion of changes and voting, or deferring discussion of changes. Logan Danna made a motion that discussions begin, seconded by Blake Thompson. Motion did not pass.
     10. Denise Davis made a motion, seconded by Larry Perry, that the bylaws changes be tabled until Chief Vontz can be in attendance. Motion passed.
     11. Pat Young asked Blake Thompson to re-send the proposed bylaws changes to members for review.

1. New Business: none reported
2. Good of the Order:
   1. Remodeling Station 1 has been put on hold temporarily.
   2. Mobile home moved out to middle of month.
   3. Rideouts from Station 2 for time being.
3. Meeting adjourned at 7:29 following a motion by George Samartzis, seconded by Ken Itzen.