

## Riceville Volunteer Fire Department

August 19<sup>th</sup> 2019

Minutes

**BOD Members present:** Judy Dillingham, Dan Friday, Carla McLendon, Dean Reed, Lisa McCallister, Dereck Lindsey, Mark Dillingham, Mark Curran, and Chief John Coffey.

Dereck Lindsey it late it is excused and work related.

Judy addresses the community in attendance.

We thank everyone for coming tonight.

As some of you may know there ia a vacant seat on the Board. We are in the process of interviewing candidates and when done with that process, the Board will make a decision on a replacement, as provided by the by-laws.

After speaking with our attorney, I have been advised that I can share with you that there is an on-going Federal Grand Jury Investigation into the former chief, Thad Lewis. There is a lot that the community doesn't know that we aren't at liberty to share with you at this time, but I can tell you that a number of people associated with the Fire Department, have been subpoenaed to testify before the Grand Jury, during the last several months, in regards to Mr. Lewis. I believe it will all come to light soon and questions will be answered. But that is all of the information I can give you right now.

Dean R. makes an announcement about Bobby Reed Jr. being in a coma and asks for prayers for Bobby and his mother.

Judy calls meeting to order at 6:36pm.

Judy Asks if everyone got the minutes of the last meeting sent to them. Can we have a motion to accept them?

Lisa M. Makes a motion to approve the minutes.

Mark C. seconds,

Voice vote unanimous

Motion Passes.

Judy: Dover can't be with us tonight, he is out of town. I have asked Mark D. to give us the Treasures report.

Mark gives the treasures report. There are large vehicle expenditures for the month but that will show a reimbursement on our August financials due to the insurance company reimbursement. Our annual audit has begun the audit will be completed by the November meeting for the BOD to approve

Judy Thanks Mark D.

Judy asks for Chiefs report.

John gives the chiefs report. John recognizes Jason Mcentire for being our training officer

Dean R. introduces Jason Mcentire to the community.

John states that engine 11 is back in service. Ongoing employee selection process. Memorial committee is discussed.

Dan F. Introduces Harold Parker to the community and asks him if he wouldn't mind being the point person for that committee.

John mentions that we will be having the November veteran's appreciation meal. In October we will be doing the Halloween trunk or treat in collaboration with the local churches, In December we will be doing a breakfast with Santa.

Dean asks for clarification on veterans meal Nov. 9<sup>th</sup> 11-3

Andrew Clark tells the community that the diner is for any veterans, their families, or relatives. They go over some menu items. This is put on by the auxiliary.

John is adding guest speakers to the coffee social.

Judy D. Thank you John.

Judy D.: is there any Old business.

Mark D. there is we discussed increasing our capitol threshold we voted and passed it but it did not get recorded in the minutes so we need to re vote on that Increases the capitol threshold from \$500-\$2000 per auditing firms request make it retroactive for July 2018 so it catches the 2018-2019 fiscal year.

Mark D. makes a motion to Increases the capitol threshold from \$500-\$2000 per auditing firms request and to make it retroactive for July 2018 so it catches the 2018-2019 fiscal year.

Dean seconds

Voice vote unanimous.

Motion passes

Judy d. any more old business

Mark C. has a question about whatever happened with the insurance company covering the damage to the truck and our deductible.

John the insurance company covered 100 percent of the cost.

Mark D. the insurance company went back on the other insurance company and got our deductible back.

Lisa M. asks about the issue with the tank.

John says yes and the insurance company will warranty the repair.

Judy D.: New business we have already discussed the audit. Is there anything else we need to discuss about that?

Judy D. we now have to move to executive session. 6:50

Dan F. Reba had asked if we could give an idea of the topic for executive session and I think we are just interviewing another person for the empty position on the BOD.

Judy D. there are a couple of items we need to discuss.

Dan F. but that's the main one.

Judy D. we will have public comment after we come back from executive session

We come back from executive session at 7:19

Dan F. reads the rules for Public Comment

Reba Toton would like to know the three people that positions open up on the BOB and they are all for three years.

The deadline for the application for running for the BOD is 30 days prior to the October meeting on October 14<sup>th</sup>. 7:00 pm The application must be presented to the President of the BOD

Public comment ends.

Judy D. because of the bylaws we need to move the September meeting to September 9<sup>th</sup> So that people will have a chance to present applications to run to the BOD.

Mark D. reads the bylaws to the community for clarification. Page 4

Dan F. makes a motion to move the September meeting to September 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:30

Mark D. seconds

Voice vote unanimous

Community member asks if the raises went out to the full time positions.

Mark D. the raises went into effect last month. Some people did not get raises since they were already at the state minimum.

Lisa M. makes a motion to adjourn

Dereck L. Second

Voice vote unanimous.

We adjourn 7:34