

CROWN KING FIRE DISTRICT

General Session Minutes

February 26, 2024

1. Call to order

Meeting called to order at 11:59 a.m.

2. Roll call of members

Present: Board Chairman Drye, Board Members Beck and Norman

3. Consent Agenda:

- a. **Regular Session Meeting Minutes from January 22, 2024**
- b. **Approve monthly reconciliations**
- c. **Approve monthly budget review**

Upon a motion by Board Member Beck, seconded by Board Member Norman, the Board unanimously approved the Consent Agenda.

4. Reports and Correspondence: (The governing body may not propose, discuss, deliberate, or take legal action on this matter unless the specific matter is properly identified on the agenda. Therefore, action taken as a result of the Chief's report will be limited to directing staff to study the matter or scheduling the matter for further consideration and decision at a later date.)

- a. **Fire Chief's report:**
 1. **Current and expected Fuels Reduction & Equipment Grants**
 2. **Call / Run reports**
 3. **Station upgrades**

There were six calls last month, mainly public assists. One patient was flown and was doing well last he heard.

Minor fixes were done at the crew cabin and an extensive list made of what remains to be repaired. Repair costs have not been discussed with the auxiliary. Before any work is done, the repair costs need to be brought to the Board for a decision on how they will be paid for.

The gas pumps are being worked on today. The company that works on fuel tanks will take care of everything on the EPA list. If they cannot do something they will let us know who can fix it.

HUD paperwork continues. It appears HUD will accept the USFS reports saving the district time and money.

Volunteers will attend a wildland refresher. A wildland refresher is done each year ahead of fire season for all members. The Arizona Wildfire Incident Management Academy is during spring break in mid-March. Crown King members are attending on scholarships.

It might be possible to secure a contract through the federal government to reimburse the district to pay for those staffing the air curtain incinerator. Work on pile burning is slow but steady and will continue until fire season begins.

A set of turnouts was purchased for the new Reserve. WVFD's Training Captain and Ryan are working with the volunteers to ensure they can sign on to all relevant programs.

Chief Smith will provide the Board with an updated picture of the ATV ambulance. The air conditioning unit was ordered.

The reimbursement check from the fuels grant will be deposited.

b. Fire Board Chairman's Report:

1. County grant

It is planned to start utilizing that grant.

5. Report from the Crown King Fire Auxiliary

Board members thanked the auxiliary for everything they do for the district.

6. Call to the public (Public comments are limited to two minutes each. The Fire Board can only respond to items on the agenda)

A woman in the audience at the back of the room spoke but microphone did not capture her comments. Chairman Drye mentioned giving Suzanne the woman's comments.

7. District Strategic Planning and Budgeting items:

a. Moving Station #1 to United States Forest Service (USFS) Work Center

There are two companies in Prescott that will be contacted to look at the site and provide a better estimate. Once engineering specs are submitted to HUD a permit to build can be issued.

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8. Out of District properties

Chief Smith will work up a list and draw a freehand map backing out properties not in the district.

9. Fuel depot

The containment issue is at the top of the list. Adding a containment pad is preferable to moving the tanks.

10. Fire Marshal inspections

No discussion.

11. State surplus truck

Chief Smith will contact the mechanics as to what the anticipated repairs are and their cost. He will forward this information to the Board.

12. Prescott National Forest crew house:

a. Shed

b. Wi-Fi cameras

c. Repairs

The resident is willing to do some of the repairs and be paid hourly.

13. Volunteer list

Ryan is working on it.

14. Future meeting dates & items

Next meeting is March 25.

15. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 12:28 p.m.

APPROVED

 4/5/24
Board Chairman ~~Clerk~~ Date
Scott Beck