

**PINE/STRAWBERRY FUEL REDUCTION COMMITTEE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
MINUTES
NOVEMBER 30, 2011**

CALL TO ORDER:

President Walt Smith called the meeting to order at 6:07 P.M.
The meeting was held at the Pine Senior Center Dining Room
Walt Smith led the Pledge of Allegiance

Telebration Donation: Joy Hafford of the Payson Roundup took pictures of Walt and Mike Brandt with Dave Burkhart presenting Walt a check to FRC in the amount of \$1600 from the SCAF sponsored Telebration. Walt thanked all involved with getting sponsors and putting on the event.

Members Present: Walt Smith, Mel Palmer, Gail Reese, Jack Malloy Janet Brandt, Katie Calderon and Ron Calderon

Member Absent:

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES:

Walt noted he has talked with Joy Hafford about including in her articles when future FRC meetings will be held and she agreed. Walt also asked Mel if he would look into having FRC meeting dates and times placed on the bulletin board outside the community center and he agreed.

Ron moved to approve the minutes of the October 26 meeting as presented. Katie seconded.

Motion Passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Gail presented the Treasurer's Report.

Mel moved to accept Treasurer's Report as presented. Janet seconded.

Motion Passed.

CORRESPONDENCE/BILLS:

Gail reported there were three bills, one from Mel for additional microphones and one from Jack for a digital recorder. The third is from Nationwide for liability that is due in January. She and Janet will get together to determine volunteer hours for the fourth quarter. The Board had no objection to paying these bills.

Walt read a letter from the Arizona Trail Association inviting the FRC to have an information table at their February 4th, 2012 festival "Celebrating the Arizona Trail – A Dream Come True" to be held at the Salt River Project's PERA Club in Tempe.

After discussion Mel moved to submit a letter requesting an information table for FRC. Janet seconded.

Motion Passed.

Jack will submit the letter.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

None.

OLD BUSINESS:

Gould Property Update: Mike Brandt reported that the walk-through took place this past Monday, the property owner was satisfied and the final checks to Jim Armstrong and Bob Lee and Sons for doing the work have been paid out.

The burning still has to be completed by the property owner. However she has agreed along with Chief Staub to let the PSFD to use the burning for training, doing pile and broadcast burning, which will allow an opportunity for those with the FD to get their certificates for burning.

Camp Lo Mia and Grants: Janet reported that the original "old" 90-10 grant has been amended to remove Camp Lo Mia and to add 97 acres of properties of 2 acres and more.

The "new" WFHF 90-10 grant that was traded with the FD was amended and is now totally for the purpose of Camp Lo Mia. At this time, State still needs to sign off on these two amendments.

Mike Brandt added that when bids go out, along with private companies he wants to also include the Crystal Clear group.

Mike also recommended that the original "old" 90-10 grant be changed to an 80-20 or 70-30 ratio (grant to property owner) for future properties because bids are coming in at higher rates and the grant is not able to thin as much property as was committed to. After discussion the Board asked Mike, as the grant administrator, to research what would be the best ratio and bring his findings back to the Board for consideration. Janet noted that the grant allows FRC to charge the ratio to what ever is deemed to be reasonable and fair.

Fire On The Rim: Katie reported that the first public meeting for all volunteers and chair people would be held on January 24, 6:00 PM in the Senior Center. She has contacted Junction 87 to play Friday and/or Saturday nights September 14th and 15th. Events are also being scheduled for Sunday, September 16th to encourage people to stay through the weekend and help local businesses.

Walt recommended contacting Joy Hafford to publicize the meeting in her Payson Roundup column. He also asked Mike Taylor, who was in attendance, to put the meeting information on his and the FRC's websites.

NEW BUSINESS:

None.

ITEMS NOT ON AGENDA FOR DISCUSSION, POSSIBLE ACTION:

Brush Pick-Up Update: Chief Staub reported that the FD's grant, after going through many revisions to satisfy the State, has reached the point where all that is needed is for the State to sign off on releasing funds so the FD can begin using the grants money. The Chief anticipates State would be signing the paperwork tomorrow and the brush truck may be able to start up again by the end of next week if all goes well. He said there is enough money in the grant for brush pick-up to last until February 2013.

From conversations with State, Chief Staub does not think brush pick-up will ever be awarded another grant. He suggested FRC and Fire Board have a joint meeting or FRC come to a Fire Board meeting to explain FRC's intentions and efforts for continuing a brush pick-up after February 2013.

Walt asked Chief Staub to let FRC know when would be the best time for this type of meeting.

Walt also asked the Chief if he would let Mike Taylor know the particulars of the brush pick-up so he could post it on his website, the FD's website and the FRC's website.

ADJOURNMENT:

Ron moved to adjourn. Everyone seconded.

Motion Passed.

Meeting adjourned at 7:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by Jack Malloy, PSFRC Secretary

Note: After the meeting it was decided the next scheduled meeting, Wednesday, December 28 will not be held. So the next meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 25th at 6:00 PM in the Pine Senior Center.