

Grand Bay Fire District General Meeting

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June 6, 2024

Meeting called to order by Brian Woods at 6:30pm.

Members Present: Brian Woods, Lela Warbington, Tony Baggett, James Jarrell and Angie Goudreault

Minutes from 5/11/24 were accepted and approved as is.

Financial report will be approved at next meeting due to our accountant being sick.

Chief:

- The food truck event is tomorrow. We have close to 20 food trucks and even more vendors that will be here. Looking forward to a great turnout.
- WEX cards have arrived and are working for fuel purchases.
- Richie has requested some crushed asphalt for the north station. This will be used in the back of the station where the forestry trucks are parked and will also be used for some additional parking space. He and Angie will be working on getting some prices.
- The Hazmat A&O class is on August 7, 2024. It is a 40-hour class.
- Richie presented quotes for material that is needed for the 160 class. He will be looking for more quotes and will present them to the board at a later date.
- Cleanup has begun on the back part of the property. We will be setting it up to perform training exercises.
- Richie requested to be recertified as a CPR instructor and to also have Andrew as an instructor as well. The class will be taken through the American Heart Association.
- New T-shirts have been ordered through Printed T-shirts and More. They will arrive soon.
- Both Explorers have been lettered. One has been outfitted with lights and sirens and is in service. Kenny is working on the other one to get it completed as well.
- Command 1 will be renamed to Support 1 and will be used to carry extra air bottles and materials that might need to be used on scenes.
- Several teens within the community have reached out inquiring if we have an 'Explorer' program and/or a community service program. Richie agrees this will be a great idea to start back up and will be looking into the details deeper, including the liability of minors.
- Richie, Kenny and Brian have been in discussions concerning E2 to see what Diamond Rescue Supply will offer us for the truck. Kenny will contact them tomorrow for an answer. Once we get an answer, then we will decide if we will take the offer or go get the truck and bring it back here to be sold.
- Richie has been looking into PS-TRAX software. This is a software that is used for inventory and maintenance on vehicles and can be used from a cell phone. He will also be looking into other software companies that do the same thing and compare prices.
- Per Richie, if the UTV is purchased, they will move the car cover from the south station to the north station for storage.

- Richie has requested a storage shed. Since the Conex containers will be used for training, they will need somewhere to store extra supplies and equipment.
- Richie asked James where we stand on the donation vehicles from James' company. James states that there is still no word on the vehicles, but he will check on the status.
- Andrew has been brought up to a lieutenant and will be in charge of the EMS training and ordering of medical supplies.
- Kenny presented quotes on a new sign at the north station and will continue looking into options for a new sign. The current sign will be refurbished and placed on the outside of the building.
- Kenny request the purchase of one more dashcam for T10.

Old Business:

- The electrical work has begun at the north station and should be completed soon.
- T10 – Repairs have been completed and the truck is in service. The amended cost for the repairs is \$1,785.35.
- Personalized Tent has been ordered and should be received soon.
- E12 Valves – they are still waiting for all the valve kits to come in. Kenny is going to see if he can find them somewhere else so we can get the repairs completed.
- Per Brian, the attorney has completed the name change process and will have the by-laws completed soon.
- Per Brian, we missed the deadline to submit information for the Williams Grant. We will make sure we have everything together to have it submitted for next time.
- RC&D grant has been submitted for four new sets of gear.
- Brian asked if VFIS has been updated with all the additions and deletions to our fleet. Angie and Richie state that everything has been updated and completed.
- Brian asked Tony where we were on the little fire house project. Tony states that he is waiting for an account to be set up at Grand Bay Lumber. Angie states that Grand Bay Lumber supposedly only accepts a credit card to create an account but is going there to see if we can by-pass this and be able to pay a different way.
- The paperwork is completed for the Fire House Sub grant. Brian will get this submitted.

New Business:

- Brian Cook purchased parts to fix the chainsaws. Motion was made by Lela to reimburse Brian Cook in the amount of \$55.31, seconded by Tony, motion carried.
- Angie submitted receipts for reimbursement for the state class in the amount of \$150 and hotel room in the amount of \$100.11. Motion was made by James to reimburse Angie in the amount of \$250.11, seconded by Lela, motion carried. Per Angie, there is one more class to go to and that class will be on ledgers. Also note that Marissa Felts pays for her own class.
- Brian explained everything that was discussed in the special grant meeting that happened on June 3, 2024, and what is needed for us to qualify.
- Brian gave all the specs and information on the UTV. It is a UTV and trailer combo for \$35,500.00. Brian has already spoken with the bank and the bank has approved for us to put 20% down and finance the other 80%. Motion was made by Tony to purchase the UTV/trailer for \$35,500.00, seconded by Angie, motion carried. Lela will get the minutes done in the morning and send them to Brian and Angie for them to present them at the bank.
- Angie requested permission to purchase new titles for E1 and E2. The cost will be around \$40.00. Motion was made by James to purchase the two titles, seconded by Lela, motion carried.
- Motion was made by Lela to get Richie recertified as a CPR instructor and also have Andrew certified as an instructor in the amount of \$450.00 each, seconded by Angie, motion carried.
- Motion was made by James to purchase another dashcam in the amount of \$280.00, seconded by Angie, motion carried.

- James will work on getting prices for another vehicle cover.
- Angie states that she is in need of office supplies. Motion was made by James to allow up to \$200.00 to purchase office supplies, seconded by Lela, motion carried.

Community Speakers – AI Sessions

Next meeting is set for July 11, 2024

Motion made by Angie to adjourn the meeting, seconded by James, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:54pm.

Lela Warbington

Secretary