**LAKE WENATCHEE FIRE AND RESCUE AUXILIARY**

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**Minutes**

**February 10, 2021**

As a result of the coronavirus COVID-19, the monthly membership meeting of the LWFR Auxiliary was held online on Zoom.

Board members present: Jimi Wilson, Rita Baugh, April Adamson, Velda Millard, Katie Walker, Ken Schasse, and Becky Payne

**Welcome:** Jimi Wilson

**LWFR District 9:** Chief Walker

* They answered 26 calls in January which were 80% EMS.
* Pilot project: Please provide comments; the link can be found on the LWFR website.
* Working with Dept. of Ecology for a permanent air quality site at station 93.
* Mike Stanford applied for and the FFA was awarded a grant from the Burlington Northern Santa Fe Foundation. The monies will be used to mount a thermal imager on a drone for monitoring.

**LWFR FF Association President**: Chuck Kocher – Congratulations on re-election

* Thank you for the donations this year.
* Mike Stanford applied for a $16,000 grant--$5,000 wnet to the FFA to pay them back for the covid meals, and $11,000 went to update the medpacks.
* FFA board meets next Tuesday to discuss their budget.
* The Byron Dickinson scholarship of $1,000 goes to a Cascade School District H.S. senior who wants to go into a career in fire, EMS, hospital, etc.

**Get to Know Your Firefighter**:

Dave Walker introduced Kelly McDaniels. Kelly is the most tenured firefighter. He has been working in this field for 20 years. He is the Deputy Chief of Operations. Kelly oversees the fleet and the summer employees. He was with the city of Marysville for 12 years. He has been married for 37 years and has two children. His wife, Nevonne, was raised here; she works for the Wenatchee World. He enjoys collecting and working on show cars. Kelly works out of station 93.

**Community Outreach:** Mike Pirotto

The goal of the program is to enable older or disabled community members to have a healthy and happier life. Mike checks in on the clients personally or by phone depending on the needs of the clients. To assist, he made 122 home visits, delivered hot meals during the coronavirus lockdown, helped clear a neighbor’s property to make it Firewise, helped fill out disability paperwork, installed address signs, and helped deliver Plain Pantry boxes for those in need. Mike created a Covid guide for clients who do not have internet capabilities. Mike also picks up groceries or prescriptions at Safeway, transports people for medical appointments, shovels walkways, etc. for clients unable to do that, and assists with applications for medic-alert bracelets. Last fall, Auxiliary members donated firewood for one client. Alert Sense notifications have been set up so community members get evacuation alerts. Katie Walker helps and looks for out-of-area relatives. This will be paid for by grants for 2021. A student intern is making calls to the clients. The goal for 2021 is to add clients Mike finds from 911 and referrals from social service agencies.

**Call to Order**: Jimi Wilson called the meeting to order at 7:30

**Attendance:** Twenty-five members were present

**Approve January Minutes:**

Bob J. moved to approve the January minutes, Pam N. seconded, and the motion passed.

**Treasurer’s Report:** Velda Millard

Starting Balance: $39,610.89

LWFR Donations: $30,000.00

Ending Balance: $9,610.89

Memorial Fund:

 Starting Balance: $3,630.00

 Ending Balance: $3,630.00

Bills to be presented: $24 to LWFR for email addresses on the Google platform and $13.02 for a domain name.

Pam N. moved to approve the treasurer’s report, Becky P. seconded, and the motion passed.

**Nominating Committee** – The committee (Rita B., Bob A., Bob, J. Ken S., and Deb W.) will present a list of members running for the Board of Directors at our March meeting.

**Update on platform change** – Brian Mills has volunteered to help with the setup and will meet with Jimi.

**Update on Strategic Plan** – Dennis Broughton

Data collection continues. Dennis has heard from the fire department and a poster has been placed in the training room at station 91. You can use the supplied sticky notes to add suggestions. Please remember to follow social-distancing rules. On March 13 there will be a workshop with a small number of Auxiliary members and members of the fire department to discuss the information collected.

**Sunshine Committee Report**: Sharyl Nelson

* A card was sent to Trish Lamar as she deals with cancer treatment.
* Sympathy cards were sent to Ron Simon’s family and to April Adamson.

**Good of the Order:**

* Changes on the roster: Velda’s mailing address was added, and the Jenningses cell phone numbers were corrected.
* CMF golf tournament will be the Monday after Father’s Day, June 21, 2021.
* April Adamson thanked the members who sent sympathy cards.
* Next meeting: March 10, 2021, at 7:00 pm

**Adjournment:**

Jimi Wilson adjourned the meeting at 7:41 pm