



Lake Country Fire & Rescue – **Fire Board Meeting**
Chenequa – Delafield – Nashotah
Fire Station #1
115 Main Street, Delafield
Thursday, September 13, 2012 – 6 p.m.
MINUTES

1. Meeting call to order

Stotts called the meeting to order at 5:56pm with the pledge of allegiance.

2. Roll call

Present this evening were President Stotts, Vice-President Krickhahn, MacDougall, Bellin, Chief Edwards and Secretary/Treasurer Rosch. Absent was Wilkey and Urbanchek.

3. Public Comments

No public comments.

4. Communication

A thank you from the Pink Heals Lake Country of help and support from the Fire Department and staff, announcement of the Medal of Valor Awards Ceremony on Sunday, September 23, 2012 at 3pm, communication from the Village of Nashotah for donations to the Firefighter's Memorial Fund and lastly, an announcement of the memorial ceremony on Saturday, October 20th to dedicate Station #2 to all the Village firefighters and former Fire Chiefs of the department, including the late Dick Hagemann. Lartz stated that the service "will serve two purposes: It will acknowledge the completion of the memorial dedicated to all the village firefighters and will also provide a public memorial service for Hagemann."

5. President's Report

Nothing reported.

6. Approval of Minutes

Bellin made a motion to approve the minutes as written for LCFR Board meeting on 8/9/2012, LCFR Budget Workshop on 8/9/2012 and Annual Meeting on 9/6/2012 and was seconded by MacDougall. All ayes, motion carried. Bellin made the motion to approve the minutes as written for the Budget Workshop on August 23, 2012. Motion was second by MacDougal. All ayes, Krickhahn abstained. Motion carried.

7. Meet a LCFR Staff member -Captain Peter Walker

Peter Walker, married and a father of three daughters, is currently employed full-time outside the fire service. Walker, also from a family of firefighters, is a Lieutenant for the Hartland Fire Department and a Captain with LCFR, assigned to Station #3 but frequently works between Station #2 and #3. His area of expertise is in extrication where he teaches and trains for departments/organizations in WI and occasionally other areas in the country. He shared with the Board the software app that he uses to familiarize himself with the many vehicle designs when extricating. Walker discussed his training and background as both a FF and as an "EMT Advanced" and gave his thoughts on recruitment of new staff to Fire/EMS service.

8. Treasurer's Report

- a. Ambulance billing continues to be ahead of last year with another month of billing topping \$130,000. Recommendations from 2 post employment benefit specialists included HRA options as well as the creation of trust accounts. We will be working on getting the information gathered so Key Benefits can draft a post-employment benefits assessment for LCFR. The information should be available for review by early next year so we may budget for this liability. MOD factor increase is being investigated by R&R Insurance to assure LCFR historical data is accurately documented. There should be a follow-up by our next meeting. Bill King, R&R Representative, states we can only go to a rating of 83 and we are at 84. He states it is an excellent rating but will follow-up as soon as information is available.

- b. Board review of balance sheet, revenues and expenses, and reconciliations, thru 08/31/2012. Budget remains on track with expenses at 66.4% for 2012.
- c. Motion to approve check journals/disbursements over \$1,500 (Ck#2899 for \$2,210.61, Ck#2904 for \$2,756.42, Ck# 2906 for \$9,025.00, Ck# 2908 for \$7,038.49, Ck# 2910 for \$3,605.04, Ck# 2930 for \$5,961.62, Ck# 2941 for \$1,723, Ck# 2946 for \$2,638.42) from 08/09/2012 thru 09/11/2012 by Krickhahn and second by Bellin. All ayes, motion carried.

9. Chief's Report

- a. FD Staff/Personnel Activities-Reminder: Award ceremony in Oconomowoc on Sunday, September 23, 2012 for staff involved in the July Oconomowoc fire.
- b. LCFR Call Activity report: Reviewed overall call activity
- c. Station 2 Staffing Report: Chief Edwards addressed staffing for Station #2. Captain Walker agreed it is hard to be away from families for night shift staffing. Preference for many is to remain at home and come in for calls. As able, the shifts are being covered by LCFR staff. Stotts brought up suggestion of Election night recruiting.
- d. Training/Conference Updates: hosted "Airway Boot-Camp" training last week.
- e. Equipment Status: No discussion.
- f. New business: Laura Gralton from the Friends of Nashotah has given a check to LCFR for \$2200 for EMS equipment purchase. She also said there is a second donation of \$1700 for a Dive Team request for \$5000, but she suggested the remaining donation be sought from the Chenequa Foundation.

10. Confirmation of upcoming meetings:

October Board meeting is scheduled for Thursday, October 11, 2012 at 6pm, Station #1.

11. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn at 7:03pm was made by Bellin and second by Krickhahn. All ayes, motion carried.