September Board meeting notes:

Attendance: Shiela, Ray, Jennifer, Jason, Bob, Sean, Steve,

Call to order 401

Jason prayer

Pledge

Review minutes from last meeting.

Bob asked me to take notes. Apology from Bob that the regular meeting wasn't posted to have on 9/16.

Motion to accept minutes - Jason

Second Sheila

All approved

Jennifer went over notes. Ray pointed out there were a couple duplicate transactions for Ken's Ace Hardware and Boundtree. Jennifer will review and correct those and submit corrected statement to team.

Secretary Report - no report this month; no secretary.

No guest speakers

Auxiliary not here; Ray has nothing to add.

Bob added pro forma to packet as well. Also, a copy of the resolution and the tax estimation sheet. Auditor sent the report with the approval of the tax rates as well.

Chief report:

29 calls in August. The numbers on the sheet show 19 because 10 are still waiting on completion in the reporting system. 12EMS and 7 fire. Ray said he may print a quarterly report for the next meeting for this year so far.

Deputy chief contract was emailed out today. Copy of current contracts and the one Ray edited for the new proposed one. Ray mimicked the changes that were put into place on his contract. Sheila asked about adding those to review for next meeting.

Michael Bell officially stepped down from Deputy Chief spot. Ray is considering changing the structure but he's not sure yet if he wants to do that or test for a new DC to fill that spot.

Bryan is back from surgery and created some work for himself at home (could not run calls) but he did do some Admin stuff. Ray will talk with me about Bryan's hours and well come up with something.

We'll discuss Ray's plan at next meeting.

ESO online with that - Dept training 9/23 for that via Webinar. Sheila asked if all firefighters needed training; yes they do because they all have to do reports.

Website - Streamlight fees are coming higher than what was quoted. Utilizing frequently. Thinking of putting another process out to try to promote someone to IT/Community contact point. This will also help with the SAFER grant.

 Grants - no changes from last month. EMS grant for truck - working on color match to Ray's truck for the wrap; that has been ordered.

AFG Grant - doing the extractor and dryer; still working on the bid process for that. Probably going to do one quote for each item and installation. We get gear with this as well but that doesn't have to be put for bid.

SAFER grant - we've accepted it; 4 year grant. The first year started when it was accepted.

FEMA Safety grant - no response on that; not hopeful.

Dept vehicles - 3523 has AC fixed; need to fix condensation drain. Will have a mechanic come in to look at some of the trucks. Looking for a tanker.

Board training on 9/14 - it was a good training with 13 attendees. We purchased lunch for everyone.

New application - Colby Hurst - was on dept prior to Ray. He is knowledgeable on some of the older trucks. No objections

Closed session - none

SOS Updates - none

Old business

Budget: Jennifer submitted a 2025 Final Budget for approval.

Motion to approve the budget: Jennifer

Second by Sheila

All in favor (4 in favor/0 against - 1 not present)

Budget passed

Resolution 2024-09-18

Bob read the resolution and everyone signed it.

Jennifer will scan and send to the County Clerk

New Business

Fill vacant seat -

Jennifer explained that we can appoint someone for now but they'll have to run in the spring.

Jennifer asked when Ray's contract is up. Ray said that they learned at the board training, that he could sit on the board and be chief, he just couldn't be the president.

Bob asked for everyone to think about who they might know that would be interested.

Sheila asked about the election cost; Ray explained that it depends on how many others are on the ballot.

Next meeting is October 21, 2024 at Station 1.

Sheila made the motion to adjourn the meeting and everyone was in favor.