



CENTRAL BELL COUNTY FIRE / RESCUE

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"PROVIDING QUALITY SERVICE TO A GROWING COMMUNITY"

REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING for CBCFR

Meeting date: February 12, 2019

Call to order: A business meeting of the Central Bell County Fire Rescue was held at 84 North Main in Nolanville, Texas on February 12, 2019. The meeting convened at 1913. Board members present were Vice President Bridget Carlson.

VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT:

**Chief Worsdale
Assistant Chief Woodard
Battalion Chief Litton
Safety Officer Bart Thomison
Captain Carlson
LT Turner
SR FF Fife
SR FF Johnson
FF Hammerschmidt
FF Boykin
FF Rudl
FF Grannan
FF Bertelson
FF Rosario
PFF Brooks
FF Jessup
PFF Parker
PFF Levette
FF Hubbell
PFF West
PFF Normand
PFF Lopez
PFF Melonas
Willie Bailey
Virgie Wittkop**

NON-VOTING MEMBERS:

GUESTS:

**Patricia Gray
May Roosevelt
James Beck**

Antonia Brame

PUBLIC FORUM

None

Approval of Agenda: Motion was made to approve the agenda by Virgie Wittkop and seconded by FF Hammerschmidt. **Motion carried.**

Approval of Minutes: Motion was made by FF Jessup to approve the minutes from the December 11, 2018 meeting and seconded by FF Boykin. **Motion carried.**

Treasurer's Report: The financial statements for January 2019 were reviewed. PFF Parker made a motion to approve the treasurer's report and seconded by FF Boykin. **Motion carried.**

Vice President Carlson – Roughly 45,000 brought in last year for billing. Really slow start this year as only about \$2000 has been brought in year to date unlike the almost \$30,000 brought in the first 2 months of 2018. This is why I warned everyone not to get use to that. Billing is a hit or miss and not money we can count on.

Public Forum: None

Officer's Reports:

- A. Chief Worsdale** – 98 calls for last month. Lowest since February of 2017. Everyone needs to drive with due regard whether in a POV or apparatus. Other agencies are being scrutinized, not us but other departments are. Those of you that are authorized lights in POV, you are only to run code in your POV if you absolutely have to. In Texas red is restricted. If you are on scene and getting nailed, call for help; mutual aid and backfill if needed. Don't hesitate to do so. 51 Heavy is running good. Most of the new radios are in at the Comm Center, they will not start programming them until they are all in. We are getting 25, they are not coming with external mics or extra chargers. Looking at March for the rest of the radios to be in. Next fill the helmet, Bridget will talk more about it but this year fundraising will go towards walk thru doors, windows, bay insulation, new bay heating system, exterior lighting and bay lighting.
- B. Assistant Chief Woodard** - Working on 5 ton. Lights are mounted. Will be out of area for rest of the week. Overall everyone has been doing a good job. Remember your COC. Need to work better at it.
- C. Battalion Chief** – Doing mechanical fixes on 5 ton. Still working on brakes. Someone put 90wt in transmission. Drained out and put correct in. Contact me or Cpt if you don't know what fluid goes in what vehicle. Wasn't anyone on CBCFR that did this, we got it like this, just want everyone aware. Next step it to check the transfer case and finish brakes. Decals have been ordered.
- D. CAPT Carlson**- Nothing to report.
- E. LT. Oliver** – NOT PRESENT
- F. LT Turner** – Next Saturday is EVOC. Will be an all day event. Classroom with a test before driving portion. MVR is required before starting miles but not for EVOC. Operations meeting in the kitchen after business meeting.
- G. SO Thomison** – Nothing to report.

Meeting was placed in recess at 1941 and resumed at 1954.

Committee Reports:

Fundraising –Fill the helmet is this weekend Saturday and Sunday from 0800-1700 both days. Need everyone to attend. Money raised will go towards replacing all three walk-thru doors and finishing the new reception office. Back door will be solid, bay door will have small rectangular window, and reception door will be full glass. If anything is left over we will start with replacing the reception window and then kitchen window.

Bylaw – Nothing to report

Membership:

Two members were on the agenda to be voted on:

1. FF Bertelson made a motion to accept Roosevelt May as a probationary firefighter. Sr FF Castillo seconded the motion. Motion was approved with a member vote of 20 for, 0 against, and 4 abstentions.
2. FF Hammerschmidt made a motion to accept Antonio Brame as a probationary firefighter. FF Hubble seconded the motion. Motion was approved with a member vote of 20 for, 0 against, and 5 abstentions.

Old Business:

NONE

New Business:

- a) Sharing of information with non-members whether online or offline about CBCFR internal information or happenings will not be tolerated and will result in immediate termination. This does not include information put out at business meetings.
- b) Only Senior Firefighters and above, life members, and board members are authorized to use the bankcard. At no time shall a probationary firefighter, firefighter or candidate have possession of the bankcard.
- c) Only Senior Firefighters and above, life members, and board members are allowed to be in the office. All others will need an escort unless going into the office to speak to an officer or the secretary who is in the office.
- d) Jesse Allen has been banned from the station and all property controlled by CBCFR. On January 17, 2019 it was discovered that the bankcard was missing when VP Carlson went to grab it to make an office supply purchase. It was then discovered that Jesse Allen took the bankcard earlier in the week stating he was told to come get it and fill up an apparatus. While he did put \$11 in Med 51, he kept the card and used it to charge around \$1400 in purchases at local liquor stores, walmart, hotel rooms, gas stations, and food establishments. Once this was discovered the card was immediately cancelled. He came to the station that same evening where he admitted to having the card and making the charges. Charges were filed with Nolanville PD and he was arrested earlier this month. He is currently awaiting trial. It was also found that he has prior charges of the same nature in another state. We run Texas background checks so this did not show up. Due to this we will now implement a country wide background check of all applicants.

- e) The board nominated Jason Worsdale for Lifetime Membership. Motion was brought by FF Bertelson to accept Jason Worsdale as a Lifetime Member. Virgie Wittkop seconded the motion. Motion was approved with a member vote of 25 for, 0 against, and 1 abstention.

Elections:

None

Membership Comments:

Lieutenant Turner – Operations meeting after the business meeting in the kitchen.

Board Comments:

President Morrow – Not Present

Vice President Carlson – We now have a new key code lock on bay door. Each person has an individual code. If you are a Firefighter or above you will be issued a code and you are not to share it with anyone, doing so will cause you to be immediately terminated. Come see me if you still need one. Probationary Firefighters will not be issued a code.

Motion was made by Vice President Carlson to adjourn the meeting and seconded by Vice President Carlson. **Motion carried.**

Meeting adjourned by the president:

Meeting was adjourned at 2031