

North Bench Volunteer Fire District, Inc.

Annual Meeting

Date: January 28, 2017

Minutes

Board Members Present: Burrow, Kirby, Mead, Pine, Cossette, Kralik, Fioravanti

(A copy of the sign in sheet for all board members and constituents will be included with the minutes.)

Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

President Burrow called the meeting to order at 10:06 A.M. Chief Jackson led in the pledge of allegiance.

Approval of Previous Minutes

Secretary Pine read the minutes from the 2016 Annual Meeting minutes. Corrections were solicited and made. Walt Kirby moved to accept the minutes as corrected, 2/passed.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Greg Mead presented the treasurer's report, a copy of which is included in the minutes. Received and filed.

Chief's Report

Chief Jackson presented his annual report, a copy of which is included in the minutes. Q&A followed. A major concern expressed was how to fund the increase in equipment, personnel, and servicing needs for the future in light of the only 52% level of dues received from eligible residents in the district. Report received and filed.

Recognitions: Firefighter of the Year—Colin C. Mangus. Citation included in Chief's Report.

Public Forum [recommend 5 minute limit per speaker]

Comments were offered on various subjects, especially financial matters.

One suggestion was that a definite plan be prepared to increase funding, whether taxation or increased dues, or whatever, and then presented to the community.

The taxation district question was a significant issue.

Old Business

None

New Business

1. Presentation of 2017 Budget

Treasurer Mead presented the proposed budget, and solicited feedback. Walt Kirby moved to approve the 2017 budget, 2/passed.

2. Elections for Available Commissioner's Seats :

Walt Burrow - 3 years

Mike Kralik - 3 years

Greg Mead - 2 years

Len Pine - 1 year

Rob Wenzel nominated Tim Jackson to serve as a commissioner. President Burrow ruled the nomination out of order due to a potential conflict of interest.

With no other nominations from general constituency prior to the meeting as solicited and none forthcoming from the floor, Walt Kirby moved that the four candidates listed be elected, 2/passed.

Adjournment

David Yousling moved to adjourn, 2/passed. Meeting was adjourned at 11:39 A.M.