



**Peoples Valley Fire Department
Corporation and Auxiliary**
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Monthly Auxiliary Meeting Minutes
June 1, 2024, 9:00AM

Attendees: Angie Davis, Angie Weishaar, Bethany Strickland, Chris McCawley, Jackie Stephens, Jane Meyers, Karen Stafford, Kelley Paiz, Lani Beale, Lori Bomar, Ray Paiz, Shawn Bomar, Sue Dickerson;
Guests: Macie Hodger, Mindy Downing

1. Call to Order (Time: 9:02am) and Pledge of Allegiance
2. Introduction of guests and officers. Angie D read the corporate objectives to the group.
3. Motion to approved minutes from May was made by Kelley, seconded by Lani. Approved unanimously with Angie D abstaining.
4. Angie W introduced the new format for the Treasurer's Report to the Auxiliary, and we discussed using the general fund when possible will make the Auxiliary more agile in terms of allocating money to projects. Thank you to Judy G for her excellent records, we have transferred to our new accounting system. Account signers are changing. In addition to Karen and Angie W, Kelley P will be added as an account signer.

Motion to approve the Treasurer's Report was made by Bethany, seconded by Jackie. Approved unanimously. A second motion to post the Treasurer's Report online going forward was made and seconded by Ray and Kelley. Motion was unanimously approved.

5. Collection of Dues: \$5; Sue Dickerson joined the Auxiliary as a new member. Welcome, Sue!
6. Officer Reports:
 - President: Maughn Ranches thank you in works. Mrs. Maughn prefers that we thank the organization, and not her personally. Sub-committee will work on this and report to Auxiliary when timing is right.
 - VP: no report
 - Recording Secretary: absent
 - Corresponding Secretary: Kelley reported that vendors are asking about the WMF/BtS Event and discussed the need to get the information ready and available. Kelley also reported that the gift & thank you card were delivered to Sherry and Lindon for their wonderful assistance with the donated land transfer.
 - Treasurer: No Report

7. Committee Reports:

Events Committee (Lani, Jane, Dick, Chris, Sue, Bethany, Marcie, Karen, Pam, Gale, adding Angie D)

- June training lunch: 6/15: Chris will coordinate burgers and fixings. Thank you, Chris & crew!
- The combination Weaver Mountains Fest/Back to School event planning has started. The event which will be held indoors/outdoors at Model Creek School will be 8/24 10:00am – 2:00pm (School board approval received). Jane created a flyer which will be posted to the website. Ray and Kelley will also share the flyer Yavapai Firewise meetings. The Auxiliary will be serving brats or hotdogs with chips and soda as last year. The event will include a car show. Marcie will coordinate vendor registration, and Chris will take the lead on food. Event day assignments will be discussed as we get closer. Angie D will check on banners to post for the event as the ones from last year will not work this year. More details to come at the July meeting!
- Bethany mentioned the idea of a “meat raffle” fundraiser. She will work with the Events Committee to consider this for some time in the fall.

Grants & Funding Committee (Ray, Kelley, Angie D, Angie W, Judy, Chief Bomar, Lori, Neil, Karen, and Britteny (Ops))

- Chief had applied for a grant for tools for \$6400 but we were not selected, however he is working through a deal with Milwaukee tools for a \$10, 000 tool donation for chainsaws, and batteries. May work into additional grant funding.
- See additional updates added at the end of the minutes.

Community Outreach & Membership Committee (Judy, Jane, Lori, Kelley, Ray, Bethany)

- Yarnell Fire Memorial will be held 6/30 at 4:00 pm. Auxiliary will assist with lemonade and cookies. Lani and Chris to coordinate. If Auxiliary members attend, please wear Auxiliary shirts to represent the group. Set up will be at 3:30.
- Jane reported on the PVFD history Book second volume. Jane is collecting money to offset printing costs. The book will contain a sponsor page for those donating. More to come as the project progresses.

Weaver Mountains Regional Facility & Property Committee:

- Cattle guards to be installed on Monday 6/3.
- The pathway needed to prepare for fencing starts 6/2.
- Yavapai County is engaging in a space study to determine potential need of space in the new building.
- Civil engineers will get specs to begin drafting the drainage and water flow for the property.
- Money pledged for the fencing is secured and will be in for the fencing to start when it is time.

13. Next Meeting Date/Time: Saturday, ****July 6, 2024, 9AM**** at Old Historic School

14. Adjournment

Picture Day! Group picture and individual pictures were taken! Watch the web site for updates!

Additional Grant Committee Update:

Ray also wanted to make the Auxiliary aware of the several grant opportunities that are in the works:

- Forever Giving - Regional/integrated fire suppression initiative focused on supporting underserved, rural communities
- Arizona Diamondbacks - Operations/Medical supplies
- HFI - Fuels Mitigation to build on work already completed and needed going forward to keep our Community safe.

These opportunities range from a few thousand dollars to multi-million-dollar grants and will involve a significant amount of budgeting, content writing, and computer input/tracking-related work. Anyone interested in offering their time and talent to this effort going forward please email Ray directly at raypaiz2@verizon.net.