

Tarpley VFD Monthly Meeting
March 14, 2017

Call to order 1907

Board Members present: Mark, Kenny, Curtis, Doug. Absent: Adam

Attendees in addition to the Board: Richard McDonald, Robert Sanders, James Skoglund, Ed Kanning, David Borrer

Secretary's Report:

- Mark read the minutes of the last meeting. There is one correction. The price asked for the Jeep is \$15,000 OBO, not \$1,500. Motion to accept by David, second by James. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report:

- Curtis Kosub read the Treasurer's report closing February 28, 2017. Ending balance of all accounts was \$130,185.80, down from \$135,481.49 the prior month.
- The reason for the significant drop in our balance was the expenditure of \$5,392 paid to Helotes Tactical Firearms for guns we sell at the September Auction.
- We have not yet received \$500 donation for our water delivery in Rio Hondo in January. James will look into it.
- Motion to accept the Treasurer's Report made by James, second by David. Motion carried.

Chief's Report:

- Response to calls:
 - Doug spoke on behalf of Adam. We want to emphasize that all members are encouraged to respond to any call. There is always need for support and manpower at traffic accidents, medical calls, and water or rope rescues in our area. Don't hesitate to respond because you may not have a medical certification or specific training.

At the least, you can provide “first eyes on scene” account of the situation to other responders and reassurance to those in need of our service. That is invaluable.

- How and when to call dispatch: If you need to call Bandera Dispatch use the 830-796-3771 number. Call 911 only if you have an emergency to report.
- It has been busy in the last 30 days – fire on Williams Creek Road, a water rescue at Ross Road, a motor vehicle collision with entrapment on FM 470, and a medical call on FM 462 with an LZ for AirLIFE.
- Mark, Adam, and Doug got their Class B license.
- Adam has ordered a new motor for the reel on 4493.

President’s Report:

- See Old Business

Old Business:

- Mark reported on the solar powered exterior lights for the parking area. We have gutters that block the solar cells. Mark still looking for a solution.
- Status of the ’69 M151-2 Jeep. We have a storage facility – Indian Creek Ranch barn. Jeep wouldn’t start when we went to move it. Don Kaiser found a problem with the ignition. We have a part on order.
- Latest on the sale is that we considered selling with the help of Jared Ashley, Sales Manager at Ancira. Doing a fundraiser would require too many resources so that avenue has been dropped. They would want someone there every Sunday. No cost to us. Veronica at Jeep Republic says March, April, May not good due to so many Jeep events going on. That puts us into heavy pre-auction months where resources are scarce. He recommends we look at State law for having two raffles. After a lot of thought we will not pursue the Ancira route at this time.
- Greg Maxwell can do an inspection of the Jeep and list the unit for us. He would get a “small commission.” Roy at Extreme Outfitters would look at the Jeep.

- We have been offered \$8,500 from a dealer in Fredericksburg.
- We still have the option of listing it on our website and Facebook.
- We will get the Jeep running first then list it and move it to Indian Springs red barn.
- Mark will look at a listed sale with Greg Maxwell.
- Doug updated everyone on the radios. They are on order. TVFD got the full grant request of \$40,749 from the Hal & Charlie Peterson Foundation. The plan is to issue 6 new Motorola APX handheld radios to individuals, place one new handheld in 4490, 91, 92, and 94. We will reissue our five Motorola XTS radios to other firefighters TBD. The Icoms will be slowly phased out and used for communication during public events (e.g. auction/parade) or large-scale emergencies.
- The membership approved purchase of refurbished Impres battery chargers for the XTS radios. Motion by Kenny, second by Robert. Motion carried. The price is \$75 each, total \$375.

New Business:

- Curtis read a letter. An individual requested a TVFD patch. Curtis will send him one.
- Robert suggested we replace the relays/solenoids and other electronics associated with the real on 4493. Doug will pass this on to Adam.

Motion to adjourn made by Kenny with second by David. Adjourn 2005.