

Huntington Lake Volunteer Fire Department  
Conference Call Meeting Minutes  
December 8, 2009

Ned Fox convened the meeting at 5:05 p.m.

Present: Ned Fox, Phyllis Thomas, Brother Chris, Bob Wilson John Slater, Steve Soares and Karen Kamimoto

**Minutes:** Brother Chris moved, Bob Wilson seconded the motion to approve the October 27, 2009. The motion passed.

**New Business – Finance Related:**

**1) Treasurer's Report:** Total income for the month of October was \$5,470 of donations. Memorial Funds for Bob Leach totaled \$4,280 in October. Year to date through October total income is \$152,828.88. Expenses were somewhat higher due to payment of insurance premiums, recognition items, vehicle maintenance and website development. Many thanks to Brother Chris for the number of hours he expended in making this upgrade happen. Total current assets are \$375,967.23. We continue to anticipate the check for SCE for the water tender. We have \$300,726.13 invested in CD's with a blended yield of 1.96%. Total assets are \$1,032,599.50.

**2) Budget 2010:** Bob Wilson moved, Phyllis Thomas seconded the motion to approve the proposed budget as modified to include \$60 a month for DSL and \$75 a month for hosting the website. Both are In Kind Contributions from Ponderosa Telephone. Karen was asked to book them quarterly. The motion passed.

**New Business – Other Matters:**

**1) Chief's Report:** Brother Chris requested \$200 more per suite for fire protection clothing to purchase a better quality suit in terms of better protection from heat, water, and radiation. The better clothing will keep the firefighters cooler for a longer period of time; protect them from flashovers and jagged metal. Bob Wilson moved, Ned Fox seconded the motion to approve the increased cost for upgraded clothing. The motion passed.

The SCE money should be here in July or August 2010.

Brother Chris would like to purchase a container from Warehouse Systems for about \$4,500 to create a home for the snow mobile and rescue boggin. It will take an additional \$500-1,000 to get it set up, put siding on it and paint it. Bob Wilson moved, Phyllis Thomas seconded the motion to approve the request. The motion passed.

**Donors:** At this pint in 2009 we have 383 donors. In 2008 there were 430. The 2009 donations are down \$22,000.

**Options for Chief's Club and Captains Club:** Instead of polo shirts Brother Chris is looking into a plaque out of oak or pine with places for ten years of

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badges. The cost would run about \$40 per plaque. He also recommended using seals for wine bottles designating the Club (the cost is about \$.10 each), and different embroidery for the caps to define either Chief's Club or Captains Club. The Board gave Brother Chris to "go ahead" for these ideas.

**Adjournment:** The meeting adjourned at 5:55 p.m.

Karen Kamimoto, Secretary