

Huntington Lake Volunteer Fire Department
Conference Call Minutes
March 23, 2010

Bob Wilson convened the meeting at 5:04 p.m.

Present: Bob Wilson, Brother Chris, Ned Fox, Steve Soares, John Slater, Lisa Coleman and Karen Kamimoto.

Absent: Phyllis Thomas

Minutes: Brother Chris moved, Ned Fox seconded the motion to approve the February 23, 2010 minutes with a spelling correction. The motion passed.

Chief's Report:

- 1) **FEMA Grants:** The current year grant gave us \$36,210 for PPE and training materials. The first round of PPE has been ordered – helmets with integrated face shields, structure coats and pants, gloves and boots. Additionally we have in place all training materials – firefighter textbooks, teacher materials, skills DVD's and training DVD's.

We should be asking FEMA for reimbursement as soon as possible so excess funds can be released to purchase name patches for the coats and leather shields for the helmets.

Ideas for next year's FEMA and CAL Fire's grants include building and exhaust system for station 62, an additional radio repeater, highway safety warning packs

- 2) **SCE Grants:** No updates
- 3) **Apparatus Report:** Captain Coleman took R62 to the Chevy dealer to address two recall notices. One was a transmission adjustment and the other was a smog system issue.

The Captain will also rotate the other apparatus through Fresno over the next few months to deal with recalls from Ford and Kenworth.

- 4) **Volunteer Uniforms:** Basic uniform is a T shirt with volunteer designation. Brother Chris will see if he can locate a less expensive vendor for these shirts.
- 5) **Donor Recognition:** Sample hats and visors are being prepared for the board's consideration.
- 6) **Products for Sale:** Shirts should be high quality. Lisa Coleman would like to keep using the Champion brand.

Silent Auction: Phyllis Thomas is chairing the committee. Should consideration be given to finding someone in the community to “make it happen and run with it” to free up Phyllis’ time?

Discussion about limiting the number of items in the auction to 10-15 for the first year and take only cash and checks.

Options: Co-host a cocktail party at Leaches for the silent auction. Lisa Coleman will talk to Maggie Leach.

T-shirts: Ned Fox will do the shirts again this year. Ned would like to design a memorial T-shirt for Bob Leach.

Memorial Service: Discussion about having one at the lake this summer either over 4th of July or Labor Day weekends. Can we get Maggie involved? Lisa will talk to Maggie. Possibly name the Rescue Wagon in Memory of Bob Leach. Put an “honorary fireman” plaque on the firehouse – Earl Roberts, Bob Leach, etc.

Treasurer’s Report: Phyllis Thomas submitted a written report. The income for February totaled \$1,340.62 and was comprised of a workers comp premium refund and interest income. Expenses continue to be seasonally low. Net income for the month was (\$9,321.78).

Total current assets at the end of February were \$405,681.93 as compared to \$405,067.14 at the end of January. We have \$302,089.32 invested in CD’s with a blended yield of 2.15%.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, April 27, 2010 at 5 p.m. – Ned Fox, convener.

Adjournment: Ned Fox moved, John Slater seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 5:42 p.m.

Karen Kamimoto, Secretary