

Campton-Thornton Fire Commission Meeting October 08, 2008

Meeting called to order by Chairman Dan Morel at 1510 hrs.

Present at meeting: Dan Morel, Niles Downing, Todd Baldwin, Jim Demeritt
Chief David Tobine, Deputy Chief Ian Halm

Minutes of September meeting were read and approved.

Old Business: Engine 5 had a high maintenance month. There were serious tire removal difficulties that had to be resolved in order to mount 4 new tires. Also, the vehicle needed new springs, which were done at Donovan Spring. E-5 was manufactured in 1991.

New Business: Chief Tobine requested to go in to non-public session to discuss a personnel matter at 1522 hrs.

The public meeting re-opened at 1530 hrs.

The 2009 budget was next on the agenda. The committee discussed the fuel, utilities and general expense items first as they seem to be the ones that are most difficult to predict now. The Commissioners recommended to increase the fuel budget significantly. Most other line items either remained the same or saw a modest increase. Personnel costs are being formulated by the front office.

Ambulance billing Requests for write-offs: Chief Tobine reported that there is over \$7,000.00 worth of RFW-O this month. He recommends granting write-offs to two of them as there was a small balance after Medi-care/Medicaid payments. These are runs # 08260 and 08085.

All others will be sent to collections. Most of which there was no response to billing.

Dan Morel was excused from the meeting at 1600 due to work commitment.

Chief Tobine is looking into replacing the old Forestry vehicle that was removed from service last year. He emphasized that we need something to tow the trailers and haul equipment. He is hoping to purchase a new ¾ ton P-U with cap. There would be less down-time with a new vehicle and it would last for many years.

No other business. Meeting adjourned at 1613 hrs.

Respectfully submitted,
Niles Downing, Secretary.