

**POLSON RURAL FIRE DISTRICT BOARD MEETING
MINUTES JULY 13, 2011**

Board trustee members present: R. Jack Clapp, Dean Sams, Beth Hoel, Fred Nelson, Steve Stanley.

Board trustee members absent: None

Staff: Fire Chief John E. Fairchild, Board Clerk Bonnie M. Manicke

Guests: Volunteer Fire Personnel – Grant Clapp, Will Woodger; Residents – Alan Fillman, Tom Eddy, Jerry Peterson, Lee Manicke, Roger Rogers.

**Meeting called to order 7:00 p.m. at Fairgrounds Rural Fire Station No. 4 by Chair Clapp.
The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.**

Minutes June 8, 2011 Polson Rural Fire District Board Meeting: Motion Chair Clapp to accept the minutes of June 8, 2011 as presented, second Trustee Stanley. Motion carried unanimously.

Communications: Fire Chief Fairchild advised Alison Meslin by email the door to the upstairs meeting room was standing open on Sunday, July 10 and Monday, July 11 the door was unlocked. He requested Mission Valley Security to remove all codes except the code for current firemen. Anybody wanting to use the station will need to fill out a form and get a pass key. Alison responded the BAA cleaned out the fridge and freezer June 18th and picked up the BAA's American Flag on July 4th. They plan to remove the remainder of BBA's belongings from the meeting room and in the fall arrange a workable system for winter meetings. John will review the access with Mission Valley Security and was in no way pointing a finger at anybody at this time. Additional email received June 12th indicated the BBA will not use the upstairs meeting room until late September or early October. The summer events will be at the historic school. The BBA supplies, tables and chairs were moved. The bathrooms and kitchen cleaned and mopped all the floors. Silver Rock Pine Home Owners Association may use the upstairs June 26th.

Claims: Fire Chief Fairchild noted Delaney's Landscape Center donated and planted the trees at the Fairgrounds Station. A thank you note will be sent as a formality and the board expressed a personal thank you to Wes Delaney. **Motion Trustee Stanley to pay June 2011 claims as submitted, second Trustee Hoel. Motion carried unanimously.**

Treasury Report for month ending June 2011:

All funds reflect June revenue posted.

Fund #7245 Operating Fund Balance \$ 35,243.86

Fund #7244 Voted Levy Debt Svc. {Fire Apparatus} \$ 5,092.46

Fund #7246 Capital Improvement Fund Balance \$ 29,877.37

Fund #7243 Voted Levy/Reserve Fund Balance \$ 125,330.05

Total Operating Fund Expenditures \$ 7,863.19

Check numbers 4569 - 4628

(paid July 13, 2011)

Motion Trustee Sams to accept treasury report, second Trustee Hoel. Motion carried unanimously.

Chief's report: The department responded to 14 runs in June with 9 rural responses including 2 fire calls; 2 mutual aid responses a four-wheeler response on private property, and a deer/vehicle crash; and 5 other calls including alarms, ambulance, and propane tank leak. No fees were charged for the mutual aid crash responses. The department received one volunteer application. Thanks for the community

support at the Big Arm Station hamburger feed. Engines 337 is in Irvine Flats and Engine 319 is in the Fairground Station.

Old Business:

FY 2011-2012 BUDGET – The proposed budget was emailed to the trustees for review. The budget will be discussed at the August meeting.

New Business:

None.

Public Input on Non Agenda Items: – Mr. Eddy addressed the board regarding the legal petition filed involving the vehicle crash fees. At the last board meeting, Chairman Clapp stated the board would be spending additional taxpayer money to defend the legal petition filed by Mr. Eddy. Given that this board has repeatedly reject the request by me and others to obtain a legal opinion from the Lake County Attorney at no cost to district taxpayers, Mr. Eddy suggested all legal costs be paid personally by the board members. Mr. Rogers expressed concern that the door to the Big Arm Fire Station meeting room was left open. Fire Chief Fairchild noted a form is available and will issue key cards to fire personnel and others wanting to use the Big Arm Station. Mr. Fillman stated he is president of the Big Arm Association. He completed a form and was issued a key card.

Motion Trustee Nelson to adjourn, second Chair Clapp. Polson Rural Fire District meeting adjourned 7:24 p.m.

R. Jack Clapp, Chair

Beth Hoel, Secretary-Treasurer

