

GRAND COUNTY FIREFIGHTERS ASSOCIATION

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Minutes of the October 4 2006 Grand County Firefighters Association

Called to order at 19:00 by Chief Holzwarth, President.

Present: Tony Tucker, Todd Holzwarth toddh@eastgrandfire.com, Jim Campbell jcampbell@co.grand.co.us, Brad White, Wayne Miller, David Boyes, Ray Jennings rjennings@co.grand.co.us, Patrick Hobby Path@qdsCorp.com, Dennis Soles dsoles@eastgrandfire.com, Mark G. McCutcheon mark_mccutcheon@nps.gov, Brad Holzwarth, Jeremy Bock, Wayne Kerber, Ron Cousineau, Bob Florquist, Rod Johnson, Hans Rinke, Ron Thurston, James Newberry, Paul Mintier, Mike Long, Jeanette McQuade.

July 2006 minutes approved.

Treasurer, Chief Boyes, \$1,065.37 in account.

Discussion items:

- **OEM**, Chief Jennings, NIMS needs to be adopted by all agencies, almost all required training is available online such as IS700, IC100 etc. Compliance with NIMS is or will be a requirement for almost everything including Fed funds, DOLA and ???. Fraser Road & Bridge is designated as an EOC and is being equipped. Tabletop exercise in Kremmling Oct 12 with an AMTRAC incident, registration starting at 8:00; contact Capt. Stern or Chief Jennings.
- **Map Books**, are due to be printed this week, with the CD available by the end of the month, Kim Adams has done a great job on the project. Contract has been signed to do Positron mapping update for Dispatch. Future plans to GPS all buildings and footprints, and develop standard addressing rules for all.
- **Communications**, Sgt. Florquist, new repeaters on Wolford and South Cottonwood as well as other improvements. Have relocated and renamed two repeaters as SO East and West, get Frequencies from Sgt. Florquist. Planning meeting for the creation of a Communication Board to take place October 26, at the SO 13:00. Will be reviewing many items including funding of Dispatch, future radio needs, changes needed. Discussion of system of reporting and handling slash burn notifications and dealing with improper, illegal or dangerous situations. Smoke reports are numerous and generally not emergencies. For the most part the Fire Districts accept the use of Law Enforcement to check smoke reports and have found dangerous situations are quickly recognized and acted upon. Agreed to get back to Commissioner Newberry with information or examples of ways to hammer those few who ignore or create dangerous situations. Possibilities of establishing special phone recordings, additional Web Site information, places for Dispatchers to quickly direct inquiries.
- **Colorado Digital Trunked Radio System**, Pat Hobby gave brief review of issues with VHF and narrow banding and need for planning. Again- one way to get started -all GC entities should apply for membership in the Combined Communication Network of Colorado (CCNC) and in conjunction with that begin laying out talk groups and MAC channels, for more information- www.ccncinc.org -to get application forms.

Agency Reports:

- CSFS, Mike Harvey is leaving to become the head of the Southern region of CO. Cousineau is acting District.
- USFS, Staffing dropping as season ends, let Paul Mintier know of training requests, winter and spring.
- GLFPD, Open House, everyone in Grand Lake attended, new fire boat in.
- HSS/P, Has new VHF freq. 155.085
- GFD, Congratulations on opening new Station, and hosting dinner and this meeting.
- EGFPD, New Training Coordinator Lt. John Cavera on board, we are working on an Upper Fraser Valley CWPP-appears Anchor Point will be a consultant for the effort. Reminder State Chiefs Leadership Conference is Nov 30 to Dec 2 in Breckenridge.
- NPS, New FMO Mike Llewellyn, will be burning piles this fall, returning fire crews cutting timber.
- Will be an APCO – NENA conference in Longmont? Contact Pat Hobbe for more information

Adjournment at 20:35

Next Meeting- Grand Lake Fire January 3 2007
Chief Holzwarth