



NORTH IDAHO FIRE CHIEF'S ASSOCIATION

10728 N Hauser Lake Road
Hauser, Idaho 83854

EDUCATION

PREVENTION

INVESTIGATION

Meeting Minutes
July 20, 2006

Prior to the opening of the meeting Jim Linden, Communication Coordinator for Kootenai County Office of Emergency Management gave a presentation on how amateur radio can assist us with communications in the event of an emergency

Opening:

The regular meeting of the North Idaho Fire Chief's Association was called to order at 19:10 on 20 July 2006 at Coeur d'Alene Fire Station #3.

Members Present:

Vice-president – Chief Jim Shubert, Potlatch Corp.
Secretary – Chief Larry Simms, Hauser Lake Fire

Chief Lynn Borders, KCEMSS
Deputy Chief Dan Cochran, Coeur d'Alene Fire
Deputy Chief Dan Ryan, Kootenai County Fire & Rescue
Chief Robert Tyler, Sandpoint Fire
Chief Jim Walton, Eastside Fire
Chief Marion Blackwell, Northern Lakes Fire
Glen Lauper, Fire Marshal, Coeur d'Alene Fire
Deputy Chief Ralph Kramer, Northern Lakes Fire

A. Jim Shubert led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

B. Approval of Minutes

Motion by Chief Blackwell, seconded by Chief Ryan to approve the minutes from the June meeting was passed.

C. Treasurer's Report

Bill Cowin was not present for the Treasurers report.

D. Correspondence

- A letter from Monty Aarstead was read advising of an opening for the State Fire School District 1 representative. After discussion concerning the State Fire School we decided to turn the letter over to the Training Officer's Committee for any further action.
- We received a letter from the Kootenai County Fire Prevention Coop to be used for the Safety Village at the Kootenai County Fair. Bill Cowin sent an email advising that we had the fund available and also asking if the Coop had applied for a grant from the license plate program. The Coop advised that they had a commitment for a van from Dave Smith Motors and has applied for a grant to obtain a shrink-wrap design for the van and a Smoky Bear display balloon. Chief Tyler asked about the precedent for supporting the Coop and Chief Borders advised members that the North Idaho Fire Chiefs had given similar support in the past. Motion by Chief Borders, seconded by Chief Shubert to give

\$1000.00 to the Coop, motion passed. Chief Shubert said he was willing to help at the fair and Chief Ryan suggested that the Coop contact the CERT volunteers to help in staffing the village.

- A flyer that was received announcing the residential sprinkler presentation was passed out.

E. Committee Reports

- North Idaho Emergency Services Academy – The Training Officers Committee is starting to do preliminary work on the 2007 academy.
- FODA – **Nothing new on next year's Academy.**
- Training Officers – No Report.

F. Old Business –

- Arson Van – Coeur d'Alene Fire asked to use the van and there were several problems with the van. They will try to get the van into the city shop and determine what needed to be done. A motion was made and seconded to authorize \$300 to \$500 to make required repairs, motion passed. A way to manage the van is needed. There was discussion regarding increasing the Association dues to cover the cost of the van as its use is one of the benefits of membership. The discussion included proposing a fee for non-member use.

G. Open Forum

- Chief Blackwell advised that Northern Lakes has an acquired structure and he would advise other departments as to training that could be held there.
- Coeur d'Alene Fire will be testing for a Firefighter in September.

Thank you to Coeur d'Alene Fire for hosting the meeting. Next month (August) we will meet at Eastside Fire.

Meeting Adjourned

Minutes respectfully submitted by: Larry Simms