



NORTH IDAHO FIRE CHIEF'S ASSOCIATION

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EDUCATION PREVENTION INVESTIGATION

Meeting Minutes
June 18, 2009

The regular meeting of the North Idaho Fire Chief's Association was called to order at 19:02 on 18 June 2009, at the Coeur d'Alene Interagency Fire Cache. Chief Cleveland led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

- A. Minutes - Motion by Chief Rohrwasser, seconded by Chief Ryan, to accept the minutes. Motion passed.
- B. Treasurer's Report – Motion by Chief DeBernardi, seconded by Chief Maines, to accept the Treasurers Report, motion passed.
- C. Correspondence – None
- D. Committee Reports
 - a. NIESA – Chief Maines and Greg Wetzel will be meeting with Jeff Cappe to discuss the next round of academies, several ideas are being considered. EST may fund travel for the meeting, Motion by Chief Walcker, seconded by Chief Ryan, to cover the cost for Chief Maines to attend if EST does not fund it, motion passed.
Chief Borders advised that the bill for the meals did not include gratuity and the consensus was to not send a gratuity as the Auxiliaries did the serving and most of the work. Motion by Chief Crawford, seconded b Chief Walcker, to send a \$100 donation to KCFR and Hauser Auxiliaries for their assistance at the academy. Motion by Chief Sampert, seconded by Chief Crawford, to send a \$100 gift certificate to Katie and Lori for their work on the academy. Chief Simms advised that the BLM funding is moving forward and should be received soon.
 - b. FODA – Chief Gabriel reported that Ed Hatfield will be presenting the “Captain's College”. The KROC center will not work for us due to a conflict and we will not go back to NIC due to cost. The venue will probably be the High School Auditorium. March 5th and 6th (2010) was agreed on as the date. We have applied for the License Plate Grant and do not know at this time if Bonner County has as well. Other ideas were discussed such as an evening banquet. The

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training committee does not support a dinner due to cost. Friday evening vs. Saturday evening was discussed. Cost for attendees was set at \$75.00.

E. Legislative update – Chief Gabriel reported that the Idaho Chief's Association has not done a great job in working with the legislators this year and we need to get with our legislators to find out what they want from us in the way of support and how we can better address our concerns. Chief Sampert said that some of the legislators voted against us and we need to find out why. Two questions that came up are do we want to endorse candidates in the future and that we need to start working with the legislators earlier. Chief Lauper suggested that we invite them to our August meeting and that the sprinkler issue will be coming back. Chief Borders is now the Idaho Chiefs vice-president and Chief Marcus is our regional representative.

F. New Business

Justin Mulhauser gave a presentation on the capabilities of the Coeur d'Alene Cache and some of the things they are now doing that are new as well as some ideas as to how they can assist the local cooperators.

E. Old Business

Mark Grant gave members an opportunity to ask questions regarding the federal policy on structure protection and restated that policy.

G. Other Business

- a. The possibility of changing the day or times of the association's meeting in an effort to increase attendance was discussed.
- b. The Elk Bend Fire Department is looking for help in obtaining equipment.
- c. Idaho Chief's will meet in Coeur d'Alene next year.
- d. Chief Lauper reminded members of the Fallen Heroes Plaza dedication on July 11.
- e. Chief Sampert reported that Ryan Asher received the award for EMT/Paramedic of the Year.

Meeting adjourned

Thank you to the Coeur d'Alene Cache for hosting the meeting and a wonderful dinner. Next month's meeting is scheduled for Mica-Kidd Island.