

PEND OREILLE TRAINING COUNCIL
January 8, 2009*
Meeting Minutes

(*Held on the 2nd Thursday, as the 1st Thursday of January was New Year's Day)

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Chairman Christopher Lee Smith, Treasurer Janice L. Smith (FD8); Mark Havener (FD3/4), Duane Mauro (FD6), Evan Mauro, Tom Watson (Newport)

MINUTES FROM DECEMBER 3, 2008 MEETING

Tom Watson requested clarification of Financial Report W-9 comment: Treasurer Janice Smith stated a POTC W-9 was mailed to Kalispel Tribe of Indians in reference to 2008 Recruit School Invoice per their request, to retain on file - as per Kalispel routine procedures - even though the Federally required \$600 in labor threshold (as per Pend Oreille County Auditor's Office) was not met.

Motion made by Tom Watson to accept minutes, seconded by Mark Havener. Motion carried.

FINANCIAL REPORT – Janice Smith

Checking Account	\$50.00
Savings Account	\$11,030.60 [2/4/09 Correction: Should be \$11,030.96 J Smith]

Fund Breakdown:

POTC - General	\$3,491.22
POCFIU	\$3,766.68
Fire Education	\$3,773.06

Activity:

Dividend Received: \$16.20

Received 2008 Recruit School payments from FD1, FD4, Newport, Kalispel; awaiting FD5-\$62.50 and FD6-\$30

The 2009 POTC Treasurer will need to file Nonprofit Corporation Annual Report with State of Washington Secretary of State by 1/31/09; will need list of current Officers plus \$10 filing fee

Treasurer will also need to invoice Pend Oreille County for 1st Quarter Fire Investigation payment.

No payments are due other than the \$10 Nonprofit filing fee.

Motion made by Duane Mauro, seconded by Tom Watson to accept the financial report. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

REGION 9 REPORTS:

Training Council – (no report; no attendees present)

Chiefs Meeting – Chris Smith, Mark Havener

Smith: DNR applications are available on line

Smith: WCC hiring work crews for State land clean-up, especially college students

Smith: Washington moving to National Registry for EMT-Bs; Kim Burke (of Dept of Health) looking for input;

Havener: elaborated that looking for a Testing Center located in Pend Oreille County, currently the National Test is given in Spokane.

Smith: Two CL-215 fixed wings will be available this year.

Smith: Contact Jack Cates at Spokane County FD9 re: Officer-level class info.

Smith: Basic 40-hour Fire Investigator course is scheduled for March in Spokane (contact: Clifton Mehaffey at Spokane Valley); also trying to get the class in Pend Oreille County.

DNR – (No representative present - no report)

FOREST SERVICE (No representative present - no report)

LEPC – Chris Smith

Next meeting: February 4th; will now be meeting bi-monthly.

Pend Oreille County IAP for Winter Emergencies from Joann Boggs will be distributed via Email for now through Sunday; Plan will include phone numbers and a resources list

WILDFIRE GROUP UPDATE – Mark Havener

Next meeting: January 29 at 0900 hrs

Newport Fuel Reduction and Tiger Fuel Reduction project approved and funded.

Blueslide will be applied for in 2009 – for work in 2010.

COMMITTEES:

Structural Academy – Janice Smith

Steve Scott advised that while he cannot attend evening POTC meetings, he would be available to coordinate the 2009 Recruit School.

Structural FFII Academy – Mark Havener

Steve Scott to send out inquiries in February regarding Instructors and Students.

POCFire.org Website – (Representative no present - no report)

Fire Investigation Unit – Tom Watson

There was no December meeting

Next Meeting: Thursday, January 16 at 1800 hrs; training will be on Scene Management, Leonard Pielli is the instructor

HazMat Team – Mark Havener

2009 Goals plus “wish list” defined at December meeting; submitted to Joann Boggs

Team had intended to work with Teck Cominco – however the mine is suspending operations.

Next meeting will be 3rd Monday in January, generally at Station 32
Chairman Don Thomson recently participated in a tabletop exercise.

Life/Safety Co-op; Life/Safety Trailer – Mark Havener

Next meeting: Tuesday AM

Address # sign and Smoke Detector programs are on going – free to the public, accepting donations.

US Buoy & Safety Life Jacket grant received: It is a loaner program which will operate out of Diamond Lake South Shore Store, Store N More and a 3rd location in northern Pend Oreille County; Life jackets can be signed out with ID

Fire & Safety materials for 4th graders being done with Ponderay Valley Newsprint Foundation.

Tom Watson asked how long Alex Arnold’s position is funded: Havener confirmed 2-1/2 years by VISTA.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mark Havener: **South Pend Oreille Fire & Rescue**

New Station 11 as 20 volunteers, which includes about 6 FFs from SCFD4.

Station 11 will have apparatus housed next week; a Type 6 engine is being purchased from SCFD4-Elk Station.

POCFD7 Operating with SPOFR under an informal agreement

Tom Watson inquiry: Is **POCFD1** covered by mutual aid agreement for Fire Investigation? POCFIU Investigators are covered by BVFF insurance under mutual aid.

BVFF proposed definition of Firefighter

Janice Smith commented the BVFF website shows proposal and invites comments.

Mark Havener provided brief details.

Gary Yann, FD4

Mark Havener reported Yann recently retired from service.

Engine Grant for Station 44

Mark Havener reported New Engine arriving this month; Existing Engine will be retained for use as a Tender.

2009 POTC Officer Elections. After brief general discussion on various individuals' ability to attend regularly meetings, the following were nominated/elected:

Chairman: Mark Havener (motioned by Tom Watson; 2nd by Evan Mauro)

Vice Chairman: Duane Mauro (motioned by Tom Watson; 2nd by Evan Mauro)

Recording Secretary: Jim Robinson, consulted via telephone as not present at meeting (motioned by Tom Watson; 2nd by Evan Mauro)

Treasurer: Janice Smith (motioned by Tom Watson; 2nd by Evan Mauro)

Incoming Chairman Havener advised he does not expect to follow a formal meeting agenda.

Motion to adjourn by Tom Watson; 2nd by Duane Mauro; meeting adjourned.

Minutes respectfully submitted by:

Janice L. Smith

(Substitute for Secretary Steve Scott, who was unable to attend)

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