



Missoula County Fire Protection Association

- **September MCFPA General Membership Meeting Minutes**

6:30 PM, Wednesday, September 21, 2016
Florence RFD (Dinner served @ 6:30 – Meeting to follow)

1. Call to Order (Joe- Chair)
2. Introductions (All)
3. Approve July Minutes / Financial Report / Correspondence Received (CJ- Secretary/Treasurer)
 - Savings Balance: \$16,074.41
 - Checking Balance: \$6,147.23
 - Webpage/Facebook Maintenance Paid
 - Correspondence Received: None

OLD BUSINESS

- 2015-2016 Excess VFA Grant Disbursements Paid
 - Frenchtown Fire, Clinton Fire, East Missoula and Seeley Lake Fire received \$277.34 each
 - Greenough: No invoice received yet
- 2016-2017 VFA Grant Disbursements Paid
 - Clinton: \$1333
 - All others pending
 - Reminder – deadline for submission is March 10, 2017

NEW BUSINESS

1. U of M Homecoming Parade <http://grizalum.org/events/Homecoming/parade2/default.php> planning (Saturday, October 1) (CJ)
 - a. DNRC Parade Jeep (Jordan w/ Sparky)- Lineup is 0900, parade starts 1000
 - b. Ninemile Pack String (Casey Burns)- Unload across from Creamery building
 - c. Crew of 6 to hand out magnets and posters (Volunteers:
 - d. Poo Wagon (CJ) (four-wheeler)
 - e. Volunteers to Shovel Poo

Lots of posters available from Jordan

2. Bobble head Idea for 2017- we can vote in January (CJ)

a. History:

- i. Smokey Bear (x2)
- ii. Woodsy Owl
- iii. Smokejumper
- iv. Firefighter
- v. 1910 Firefighter
- vi. Structure Firefighter
- vii. Sparky the Fire Dog
- viii. Female Firefighter

b. Recommendations for 2017

- i. Pilot
- ii. Sawyer
- iii.

3. Puppet Show Schedules

- First week in October it begins
- CJ will circulate the schedule online

4. Cherry Creek Radio- Hero Month- 60 second clip on who would be a hero in Missoula County. They want to do a hero in the community. Taylor Blakely from Frenchtown is a nominee.

5. RSG Grant- Send Jordan the Tax ID number and the DUNS Number

6. Webpage and F/B page Glenda is looking into making our webpage more mobile friendly

7. Round-Robin

8. MFD (Gordy): Fire in Colorado Gulch which had potential but the airport was very close. A few crews out, nothing long term

9. Missoula Unit (Ashleigh): Few folks still on, laid off next week. Looking to fill a vacant position of Fire Operations Specialist, vice- Percy Metivier.

10. SWLO (Dylan)- Wants to meet the departments to assess the numbers and priorities from the departments.

11. SWLO (Jordan)-

12. Seeley (Nik)- Quiet, couple of prescribed burns and pile burning, some logging unit landing piles. Just need an opportunity

13. Smoke (Sarah)- Daily high today of 30 active permits. 11,000 activations was passed yesterday. Quiet wildfire season- never had unhealthy air. Will be gone for next meeting- will be in Long Beach at a national symposium discussing trends and health effects.

14. Florence (Brad)- HEART Ministries, try to meet 1st responders needs, mental or physical. Worked on Roaring Lion until they were kicked out by the feds. Right now focusing on Ravalli County. One call they come and set up and get into gear. We have folks as members up and down the valley who are also tied in with HEART.
15. Florence (Charlie)- Mutual aid was tapped for Roaring Lion, 16 structures were lost, but hundreds were saved. County Fire Warden wanted to extend his thanks. Board voted to get a new Type 1 engine- approved.
16. SWZ (CJ)
17. Frenchtown (Joe)- Emergency landing in a field, exciting. Recruiting Academy for a FFT1, ends in December. The prevention team did a lot of strong work. PSAs on the radio and TV.

Next Meeting Clinton (November 16)

18. Next meeting
 - a. November 16 (Clinton- Meeting as Needed)
 - b. Set the Meeting Schedule for 2017 (Board)
 - i. Third Wednesdays:
 1. January 18 (Missoula Rural)
 - a. Elections of officers
 2. March 15 (Missoula City-County Health)
 3. May 17 (Frenchtown)
 4. July 19 (Seeley Lake)
 5. September 20 (Florence)
 6. November 15 (Clinton- Meeting as Needed)