



Sublimity Fire District Safety Committee Minutes September 17, 2007

Call to order: Geoff McFarland called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

Members present: Angela Hargin, Geoff McFarland, Amy Manning, Tim Gardner

Members absent: None

Additions/Deletions to Agenda: None

Reading of Minutes: The minutes from August 16, 2007, were approved.

Old Business: The committee discussed the inspection by OSHA's Industrial Hygienist on August 16.

New Business: Station 52 needs another oxygen bottle.

Inspections: *Station 51—*

-Chief's office: His bookshelf still needs to be secured to the wall.

-Officers office: Someone has attempted to secure both bookshelves, but only one has been secured to the stud. The other needs to be secured in the stud also.

-Amy's office: The Internet cord for the laptop computer is in the middle of the floor and creating a trip hazard.

-Cleaning closet: The light bulb still needs a guard or to be replaced by a safety light bulb.

-First Aid Kit: There were two bottles of expired aspirin in the med kit. The department already decided that it would not provide medication. Angela removed the aspirin from the kit and disposed of it.

-Apparatus bays: There are fence posts on top of the turnout racks. The committee discussed what should be done with them and decided to talk to the chief about it before proceeding further. Also, in the bay bathroom, someone removed the eyewash log. There were paint cans with missing spray caps; Angela disposed of them.

-Apparatus: The committee went through each apparatus and checked the interior, as well as all of the compartments, looking for hazards.

-Air Room: The refrigerator cord from the adjacent room comes through the wall. This is against code. When the electricians come back to do more work, they will take care of this issue.

-Upstairs: The committee checked all of the smoke detectors. Two needed new batteries. Jonathan Cartney went to Chief Frost's office and got batteries for those detectors in need. The committee was informed that the light switch in the hallway near the bay stairs hadn't been working for awhile. Amy said she would

make sure it got fixed when the electricians came to make other changes around the station.

--Weight Room: There were some questions about whether the re-done stairs met the criteria laid out by the OSHA inspector. Amy said she would discuss it with the chief. Also, there is an area with wall exposed. It needs to be sheet rocked and painted so that it will no longer be a fire hazard. There was a broken mirror in the weight room. There was discussion as to whether it actually posed a hazard.

--Fire Extinguishers: Geoff inspected all of the fire extinguishers in the station.

Station 52—There was expired aspirin in the First Aid Kit. Amy and Angela disposed of it. Geoff and Tim installed holders for oxygen bottles. There is an issue with the hanging of ladders in the station. We need to get more hooks for a second ladder. The loft storage area is also still a hazard. Either everything needs to be moved to the edge so no one sets foot on the loft, or a guard rail needs to be built for fall protection and a weight limit sign needs to be posted. Mike Patrick is supposed to take care of that issue. Geoff pointed out that the K12 saw needs to be moved to a new location. It is too long for its current shelf and creates a hazard.

Adjourn: Meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

Next meeting: TBA

Submitted by Amy Manning

Accepted by Geoff McFarland