

Boulder County Wildland Fire Cooperator
Business Meeting Minutes – August 5, 2011

MISSION:

The mission for the BCWFC is to support safe and effective wildland fire training and provide a forum for open discussion of wildland fire activities.

Meeting begins at 1010 hours.

Approval of July 2011 Meeting Minutes: Motion to approve the minutes as submitted 1st
J Faber 2nd D Beebe

1. Treasurers Report – E Philips
 - a. \$7,699.11 (amount does not include interest)
 - b. (1) Bill paid to D Zader for reimbursement
2. Training Update
 - a. S290 – Working with CWFIMA; possibly stretched over 2 weeks; Wendy working on getting instructors; more information at the September meeting.
 - b. L280 – USFS possibly offering – more info to come
 - c. Structure academy Sept.7 – Nov. 9th; deadline end of August – Application attached.
 - i. Free HazMat Ops class
 1. Go to the www.BoCoFire.org for application and more information.
 2. This can be taken as a stand alone class if there is room; structure academy students get first priority.
 3. JPR testing/skills sign off – check with F Koch/R O'Donnell if you need JPR sign off or written testing
 - d. S215 Beta course –
 - i. Beta course opportunity offered to Boulder County.
 - ii. J Stalnacker has been working with T Smith OCS2 Team A to get this organized.
 - iii. Mountain View Fire Rescue has offered to host at their Dacono station.

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- iv. This course will be offered over a weekend at low cost.
 - v. Dates and Times to come.
 - e. SunCore – Sept 30-Oct 2nd – 120 slots 12 per agency; liquid fuels training down at SunCore Refinery. This is a FREE training – One day training
3. Other
- a. FTC Engine Rotation (Boonton)
 - i. S Molinari sent information out to agencies; this information is attached to minutes; Discussion held.
 - ii. Weld County is also working on getting agencies ready and able to go out and participate on the engine rotation.
 - b. Reduction in the air fleet used by USFS – Discussion held.
 - i. P3 Orion's not under contract
 - ii. Air fleet from Canada (CV580s) being put under contract. These resources are similar to the P2V's
 - 1. These work out of a hub and have to return every 48 hours.
 - iii. Type I heli-tanker at JeffCo
 - c. Fire Prevention Month – October (Philips/J Webster)
 - i. County working on Fire Prevention Education programs during the month of October.
 - ii. NFPA Backyards and Beyond in Denver in October
 - iii. Commissioners declaring October as Wildfire Prevention Month in the county.
 - 1. Chipping Days is one of the programs being developed.
 - 2. Saws and Slaws (Coal Creek Canyon) another program.
 - 3. Jack Cohen USFS Researcher giving a talk in October.
 - iv. Please contact J Webster if you are interested in partnering with the county on this.

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- d. Fourmile T-Shirt sales at Farmer Market
 - i. Can't sell them onsite
 - ii. Can do a community table and give information regarding shirts.
Discussion held.
 - iii. Suggestion to have these shirts at the October Fire Prevention programs.
 - iv. Will check with McGuckin Hardware to see if they can sell.
- 4. Announcements
 - a. Fourmile Canyon Fire – 'Thank You Firefighters' banners will be put back up in September along Pearl Street.
 - b. Coal Creek Canyon FD is now a part of the FTC Dispatch Zone. They are officially a Boulder County Cooperator.
- 5. Boulder Mountain FPD is part of the new cad system test. They are working out the bugs.
 - a. Suggestion to other agencies that try this be sure that all of your cooperating partners are added to pages.
- 6. Discussion regarding timing of the BCWFC meetings.
 - a. Do people still want to have these meetings on a monthly basis?
 - i. Lack of agenda items.
 - ii. Suggestion to have quarterly or every other month meeting.
 - 1. **Based on information from those present the consensus is to keep the meetings on a monthly basis understanding that if there isn't anything to discuss the meeting will be cancelled in a timely manner.**
 - 2. **Please continue to send in issues, questions and agenda items.**
- 7. The mini – 115 and 160 (shorter/basic versions of S215 and S260) are online at the County site to download.

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- a. Others are in the works. Stay tuned.
- b. Discussion held regarding offering a possible 134 Basic Ignitions workshop. D Zader working on this.
 - i. Evenings work best; this is about a 3 hour workshop
 - ii. S130/190 is a pre-req. for this workshop
 - iii. INTRO TO FIRING OPS (BC134) Monday, August 22 is the tentative date set for this. Location: Fire Training Center from 6p-9p. This is a free class – no registration required interested people need to show up.

8. Next Meeting: Sept. 9th at the FTC beginning at 1000 hours.

Meeting adjourned at 1050 hours.

Minutes respectfully submitted on 08/05/2011 by Laura McConnell

