

## Scott Cranford

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### Minutes for January 17, 2019

1. Meeting Called to Order by President Irwin @ 12:30
2. Sign in sheet sent around, 18 members and guest present.
3. Approval of the minutes for Dec. 20, 2018, Motion by Ch. Jenkins to Approve, 2nd by Ch. Criner. Motion Passed.
4. Financial Report given by Sec./ Treas. Cripps. With a current balance of \$26,954.23. Motion by Ch. Cunningham to Approve 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ch. Jenkins. Motion Passed
5. New Business; A. Mark King initiative- Cliff Thompson gave an update on the proposal. Ch. Jenkins made motion to Authorize the President to voice support if needed. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ch. Criner. Motion Passed.

B; President Irwin gave an update on proposed legislation being considered currently. S.B. 72 ref. LOPFI service credit and H.B. 1174 to reduce the age for Civil Service from 21 to 18 , No action taken at this time.

6. Old Business; A; By-Law amendment- proposal to add the Training Association and Fire Marshall Presidents to the Board as Trustees for the purposes of being able to authorize them to make purchases when needed. Motion by Ch. Stewart to Approve ,2<sup>nd</sup> by Ch. Criner. Motion Passed.

B; Training Association report. C-Pat test conducted 35 entries / 17 Passed.

Ch. Cranford is still working on the Web Site updates, 25 students currently for the Spring standards class ,

C; Fire Marshals report , work under way to have the Sprinkler Demo box mounted to the Trailer.

D; Bunker gear committee report, 3 companies submitted bids after the trials of several types of gear. Globe won the bid with Robin from Casco as our local rep for the company.

E; AWIN Radio report, 3 hospitals have agreed to join the system.

7. Round Table; Greenwood- hired there 1<sup>st</sup> Full time employee, working on Station 3 Drawings.

Rogers- Starting 3 New Employees at the end of Ja. , working has started on the New Burn building at the Training Center. Calls down in 2018 due to the change in EMS coverage. Planning to add another physical resource staff and looking to join the CARES group for better Cardiac arrest resources.

Bella Vista; looking to hire 4 FF's soon. Still working on the Stump dump. Plans underway to purchase several new vehicles and move Station 3 in the future.

Farmington – Have their New staff on shift.

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7. Siloam Springs – Fire station 2 Demo and Ground breaking set for Wed. the 23<sup>rd</sup> @ 9:00 to start the remodel process. Training Tower construction is underway.

Benton County- AWIN radio system project has started with engineering and site plans. Planning to purchase 1 New Engine/Tender.

CEMS – joining in on the Class Action lawsuit with the State ref. Opioid addictions

XNA- March 19 Table top exercise set.

Springdale – planning to start construction of Station 8 around April and will continue with station 9 when 8 is complete.

8. Other business; A; next meeting set for February 21, 2019 @ Farmington .

9. Motion by Chief Jenkins to Adjourn, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ch. Cunningham. Motion Passed @ 13:25

Secretary / Treasury Vester Cripps

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