

ECRFPA Meeting Minutes

July 1, 2019 at Rio Fernando Fire Department

1. Called to Order at 1802 hrs by Russ Driskell.
Attending: Russ Driskell, Ron Burnham, Roberto Molina, Jr., Jim DeCastro, John Murtagh, Mikey Cordova, James Hampton, T. Scott Gibson, Bob Coss, Bonnie Driskell, Mickey Richardson
2. Agenda Approved. Motion Mickey Richardson/Second Ron Burnham to approve Agenda.
3. Minutes Approved. Motion Mikey Cordova/Bob Coss to approve Minutes of June 3, 2019 Meeting passed.
4. Guests: None
5. Reports:
 - a. Eagle Nest: One lightning strike fire on Touch-Me-Not Mountain, assisted by Mutz Ranch owner to access. Several EMS assists.
 - b. Moreno Valley: Very quiet.
 - c. Angel Fire: 38 calls in June; started burning at slash pit at approximately 5,000 yds per day; has extra crew on duty due to slash burning.
 - d. Sierra Bonita: Real quiet; one midnight false alarm; one lightning strike fire that Ocate handled.
 - e. Taos Ski Valley: One mutual aid call, one false alarm, one building debris burning; assisted with Search & Rescue on Manzanita Trail involving 24 personnel w/ successful resolution.
 - f. Red River: 86 calls in June that include the "James Incident" @ Goose Lake Road where a full size pickup went off road and then rolled down to creek; driver ejected and pinned under truck in creek for 2-1/2 hours, minor injuries; needed rope rescue and extrication equipment to move down slope to creek; finished at night.
 - g. Taos County: Start of new fiscal year; planning addition to Hondo Sub-Station; Extrication Class full; one illegal burn where owner located and advised regarding permits.
 - h. Rio Fernando: 9 calls included assorted car wrecks, EMS assists, and mutual aid; Fire by Stakeout Restaurant south of Taos burned 1.1 acres mostly sage, some piñon trees scorched, needed more resources dispatched sooner; modular/structure fire w/ poor access on narrow road, Dispatch needs more training on what to dispatch, i.e. structure vs. wildland tenders? No size-up report.
6. Old Business:
 - a. Elections - discussion on Russel Payton who is very new to ECRFPA but willing to serve. Nominations Closed - Motion Bob Coss/Second Mikey Cordova.
Chairperson: James Hampton elected unanimously
Secretary: Mikey Cordova elected unanimously
7. New Business: None
8. Training:
 - a. Had discussed Tender Shuttle Class for August; appears to be not possible. Suggest looking for site/date in September or October. Open to all ideas.
 - b. Mini-Academy Survey. Rough count around table came up with 23.

9. Announcements:

- a. James Hampton and Mikey Cordova will be out of county a lot for training this summer, and will advise.
- b. July 14 Rio Fernando Open House @ Noon.
- c. July 6 Sierra Bonita Open House @ Noon

10. Action Items:

- a. Find date/location for Water Tender Shuttle Class

11. Meeting Review:

- a. All good.

12. Next Meeting: August 5, 2019 @ 6 PM at Taos County LEA Office (by Holy Cross Hospital)

13. Adjournment: 7:30 PM - Motion Mikey Cordova/Second Mickey Richardson

Respectfully Submitted,

Scott Gibson, Chief

Eagle Nest Volunteer Fire Department.