

## ECRFPA Meeting Minutes

### February 4, 2019, Moreno Valley Fire Department, Val Verde Station

1. Call to Order at 1802 hrs by Craig Sime.  
Attending: John Murtagh, Mark Ortega, Mickey Richardson, Jim DeCastro, Scott Gibson, Russ Driskell, Bonnie Driskell, Chris Cote, Robert Coss, Joseph Godfrey, Ray Gonzales, Craig Sime, Mike Cordova, Bob Coss.
2. Agenda approved. Motion Chris Cote/Second Joseph Godfrey to approve Agenda passed.
3. Minutes approved. Motion Russ Driskell/Second Bob Coss approve Minutes of January 7, 2019 Meeting passed.
4. Guests:
  - a. Jessica Frastaci with Artesia Fire Equipment.
5. Reports:
  - a. Questa: A few calls for EMS assist.
  - b. San Cristobal: 1 vehicle accident, a few EMS assist calls, assisted El Prado Structure Fire.
  - c. La Lama: A few EMS calls, assisted with El Prado structure fire.
  - d. Angel Fire: 47 calls in January; received 2 SFMO grants; waiting on grant for new ambulance and new command truck; posted job opening for captain position; no fires.
  - e. Sierra Bonita: Assisted burning of 13 slash piles for Sandia Pueblo; assisted Holman FD with structure fire in very cold weather.
  - f. Eagle Nest: A few EMS assists.
  - g. Moreno Valley: Nothing to report.
  - h. Rio Fernando: A couple MVA's in Taos Canyon.
  - i. Latir: Several EMS assist calls.
  - j. Taos: 60 calls total for January; 5 structure fires; 2 mutual aid responses. Total for 2018 was 824 calls -- busiest year ever -- included 31 structure fires.
  - k. Taos County: Waiting on three SFMO grant applications and an ambulance grant.
6. Old Business:
  - a. Update on SFMO
    - Discussed legislature activity on SFMO move out of PRC, probably will not be to Insurance Bureau; some doubt it will happen this year.
    - Bill includes wording change to allow use of SFMO Funds to buy land.
    - Discussed proposal changes to wording on Fire Drills vs. Active Shooter Drills & School Lockdown.
    - Discussed proposed changes on Fire Damper Inspections, whether SFMO or private companies can do. Probably not this year.
7. New Business:
  - a. Election of new chairperson necessary due to Craig Sime stepping down.
    - All agreed to do as "Interim Position" until July 1, 2019 when regular elections will be held.

- Nomination of Robert Coss, Taos Fire Department. Motion/Mike Cordova/Second Russ Driskell passed unanimously. Robert accepted nomination and indicated he is willing and able to hold the position.

8. Training:

- a. Angel Fire: Ice Rescue Course on February 9 and 10, 2019. Ice on Eagle Nest Lake currently 14" thick.
- b. NIMS Classes: To be done at Angel Fire Community Center over 4 days. Participants may take one or both classes.
- c. Wildland Class:
  - Probable start date: April 1 - Course description & nomination forms were handed out.
  - New: 3 squad bosses w/ experience along with more instructors
  - Nominations due March 22, 2019
- d. PIO Training at Taos County OEM. Nominations due February 18.
- e. Haz-Mat A & O Training:
  - Course description on State website
  - March 8, 9, 10 and March 15, 26, 17
- f. IS 100 and IS 200 taught in classroom (alternative to online course)
  - At Taos County OEM
  - Dates end of March thru April - TBA

9. Announcements:

- a. Discussion of last EMS meeting where the reorganized chaplain service was presented. They will be asked to come to March meeting.

10. Action Items:

- a. Chris Cote: Fill all instructor slots as well as 3 squad boss positions.
- b. Side discussion of the Taos Ski Valley avalanche and responses.
  - Communication was poor all around.
  - No move up & cover in place.
  - Unknown if enough ambulances were dispatched.
  - Main point agreed on was that IC needs to call for more resources EARLY as many departments may be 40 to 50 minutes away.
  - Incidents may be mass casualty, airplane crash, bus crash, etc.

11. Meeting Review: All good.

12. Next Meeting: March 4, 2019 at 1800 hours at Taos Fire Dept.

13. Adjournment: 1921 hrs.

Respectfully Submitted,

Scott Gibson, Chief  
Eagle Nest Volunteer Fire Department.