

# **Lake Arrowhead Volunteer Fire Department**

## **Annual Meeting February 9<sup>th</sup> 2009**

**Call to order 19:01 by Chairman David Bost.**

**Introduction of the LAVFD Board of Directors and Fire Chief Larry Gruszecki by Chair Bost.**

**Annual Financial report respectfully submitted by Treasurer Paul Reidinger: see attached.**

**An overview of the past year was outlined by Chair Bost. Explanation of expired LAVFD lease, and new lease agreement that has been obtained by Cherokee County, on behalf of The LAVFD, was explained to residents. Questions concerning this issue were taken from the floor, were answered by Chair Bost. Many residents were questioning the developer's intent, and questions concerning "The new fire station that was promised" were answered to the best of the Boards ability. Residents were encouraged to contact Cherokee County BOC representative Harry Johnston and/or Purcell/Johnson Properties concerning this matter. Residents were reassured that The LAVFD has had no interruption to its service to the community because of this change.**

**Chief Larry Gruszecki gave a PowerPoint presentation to residents on LAVFD member roster and past training. (see attached member roster) An overview of future training and fundraising activities were discussed. A resident expressed interest to help with fundraising by having a "gold hosting Party" where residents can bring gold in exchange for cash. The LAVFD would get a certain amount of proceeds to keep, for hosting the event. Decision on accepting her offer was tabled by the Board for future discussion. Future fundraisers were discussed. Fishing Tournament and Golf Tournament with a possible Run/Walk event were discussed. Chief Gruczecki stressed the need for a rescue boat for the lake as a possible future expense.**

**Chief Gruszecki also stated concerning the building of a new fire Station to replace Station 27, "It is my recommendation that any replacement station should be built at the south end of the development, where Fire/EMS services could quickly respond to the south end of the property".**

**The LAVFD Board of Directors Vote was tallied:**

**82 ballots were received. It was noted that only two candidates boxes were to be checked, but many residents checks all three boxes.**

**Christine Saggese received 81 votes**

**David Bost received 77 votes**

**Preston Edwards received 64 votes.**

**David Bost and Christine Saggese were noted to be the 2009 candidates chosen.**

**At closing Chair Bost thanked all residents for their ongoing support and also thanked LAVFD Board members and active volunteers for their dedicated service to the Lake arrowhead community.**

**Call to adjourn meeting 21:00. And Regular scheduled February monthly meeting was started.**