

**MINUTES OF MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
LAKE VALLEY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
OF EL DORADO COUNTY
DECEMBER 12, 2013**

The Board of Directors of the Lake Valley Fire Protection District of El Dorado County met in regular session on December 12, 2013 at the Meyers Firehouse, South Lake Tahoe, California.

ROLL CALL

Director Huber called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. There were present the following Directors: Huber, Bettencourt, Herback and Rice. Director Rossi was absent. Also present were Fire Chief Harris and Lake Valley personnel.

AGENDA

The agenda was approved as presented.

MINUTES

A motion was made by Director Herback and seconded by Director Rice to accept the minutes of the regular meeting of November 14, 2013. The motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

COMMUNICATIONS

Chief Harris presented letters from Prescott Fire Department thanking the Angora Peak Crew for the donation of a crew shirt. He also presented a letter from a victim of a fall above Echo Lake thanking the paramedics and firefighters for their service.

OLD BUSINESS

A. Update of FEMA Hazardous Wood Roof Replacement Program

Chief Poell advised the Board that 25-30 “notices to proceed” have been mailed to homeowners and that the website will be updated with the Phase II information soon.

B. PSAP Options

Chief Harris advised the Board that there is nothing new to report.

C. Fire Adapted Community/Benefit Assessment

Chief Harris reported to the Board that three consultant contracts are in the hands of the attorney. He also advised that a private homeowner wants to help fund the Benefit Assessment and work with other homeowners to get the program going. Martin Goldberg reported that he received a positive response from the Association members regarding the District's moving forward with the process.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Firefighter's Association

Martin Goldberg advised that there will be an Association meeting soon to discuss the Benefit Assessment process and that the holiday party will be December 15th at 4:30 pm and will be held at Valhalla.

Chief Harris reported that the PERS/MOU issue has arisen again and that the language in the MOU is being challenged. The issue revolves around special compensation and "PERSability." The MOU will need to be reopened. The Chief also stated that congratulations should be offered to Scott Swift and Larry Trauner who both retired in the past few months. The Board recommended that a Resolution be passed at the next meeting honoring their service to the District.

B. Final Reading and Adoption of Ordinance 2013-01 – Adopting the 2013 Edition of the California Fire Code with Amendments

Chief Poell led a second reading of the ordinance. A motion was made by Director Herback and seconded by Director Bettencourt to approve the adoption of Ordinance 2013-01 – Adopting the 2013 Edition of the California Fire Code with Amendments. The motion passed unanimously.

C. 2012/2013 Annual Audit Report

The Board discussed the 2012/2013 annual audit report from Bob Johnson. The Board wished the following changes be made to the Financial Statements and Independent Auditor's Report before it is accepted:

- Page 16– the Board did not pass a policy in 2011 to fully fund the ARC.
- Page 12– delete the last line of the first paragraph which states “In addition the District realizes revenue as the result of performing inter-facility transfers.”
- Page 22 – information regarding the funding of GASB 45.

The Chief was directed to contact Bob Johnson regarding the changes.

A motion was made by Director Herback and seconded by Director Rice to instruct Bob Johnson to remain on a pay-as-you-go basis for the OPEB and to not create a reserve account. The motion passed unanimously.

D. Final Budget for FY 2013/2014

The Board reviewed the budget as presented. A motion was made by Director Herback and seconded by Director Rice to pass the Final Budget for FY 2013/2014. The motion passed unanimously.

E. Board Re-organization

A motion as made by Director Herback and seconded by Director Rice to leave the Board's organization as is. The motion passed unanimously.

CLOSED SESSION

A. Closed session pursuant to Section 54957.6 Brown Act.

The Board went into Closed Session at 8:56 pm. The Board went back into open session at 9:42 pm with no reportable action taken.

REPORTS

A. Cal Tahoe Emergency Services Operation Authority

Director Bettencourt advised the Board that the JPA Board met on November 18, 2013 where SLTFD Fire Chief Jeff Meston made a proposal to split the JPA operations and revenue between the two agencies. The JPA Board tabled the issue. A discussion also took place regarding a fifth JPA Board member as well as hiring an outside individual to perform the duties of Executive Director. In addition, the requested increase in dispatch fees by the City was discussed.

B. Lake Valley Fire Protection District Reports

The Chief presented his report to the Board.

REVIEW AND APPROVE DISTRICT YEAR TO DATE INCOME AND EXPENSE REPORT

The Board tabled the approval of the Year to Date Income and Expense Report due to the passage of the final budget.

APPROVE DISTRICT PAYROLL

A motion was made by Director Bettencourt and seconded by Director Herback to approve the District payroll for pay period 23 for \$130,329.68 and for pay period 24 for \$128,182.71. The motion passed unanimously.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

After being reviewed, a motion was made by Director Bettencourt and seconded by Director Herback to approve bills paid on December 1, 2013 for \$47,586.36 and on December 12, 2013 for \$107,321.01. The motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10:45 pm.
Approved at the meeting of January 9, 2014.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dave Huber
CHAIRPERSON

Robert Bettencourt
SECRETARY

