# MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE LAKE VALLEY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT OF EL DORADO COUNTY NOVEMBER 13, 2014

The Board of Directors of the Lake Valley Fire Protection District of El Dorado County met in regular session on November 13, 2014 at the Meyers Firehouse, South Lake Tahoe, California.

#### **ROLL CALL**

Director Herback called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. There were present the following Directors: Herback, Rice, Bettencourt and Rossi. Director Huber was absent. Also present were Fire Chief Harris and Lake Valley personnel.

#### **AGENDA**

The agenda was amended to move 11 - Review and Approve District Year to Date Income and Expense Report after 9 - Reports.

#### **MINUTES**

A motion was made by Director Rice and seconded by Director Bettencourt to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of October 16, 2014. The motion passed unanimously.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None.

#### COMMUNICATIONS

The Chief presented a letter from the Burn Institute thanking personnel for their involvement in the annual burn camp, a performance rating for Lieutenant Gasporra on the King Fire, and several customer satisfaction surveys.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

# A. Update of FEMA Hazardous Wood Roof Replacement Program

Lieutenant Goldberg reported that roof replacements are slowing due to the weather, but over 200 have been completed. He is working on a Phase II list review for homeowners to determine who will be ready next season. A preliminary audit with Bob Johnson was completed and the auditors were happy with how the grant is being managed.

# **B. PSAP Options**

The Chief advised the Board that the JPA Executive Director is preparing an RFP that will be ready by the end of the year.

#### C. Measure H

The Chief reported that with the failure of Measure H, he has created a committee to determine what the options are for the future of the crew. The committee will bring back a staff report for the Board. A discussion occurred regarding the public's feedback and future options.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

# A. Firefighter's Association

Engineer Quinn acknowledged the hard work done by Lieutenant Goldberg and those involved in Measure H. He also advised the Board that personnel attended a staff meeting on November 12<sup>th</sup> which was very positive and allowed everyone to sign up for strategic plan committees.

# B. Second Reading of Ordinance 2014-1 – Adopting and Amending the 2013 California Residential Code

Chief Harris reviewed the ordinance with the Board. A motion as made by Director Rossi and seconded by Director Rice to approve Ordinance 2014-1 – Adopting and Amending the 2013 California Residential Code. The motion passed unanimously.

#### C. FEMA Air Trailer Grant

Chief Zlendick reviewed the specifics of the grant with the Board and discussed the three bids that were received. A motion was made by Director Rossi and seconded by Director Rice to approve the Chief signing the air trailer contract in the amount of \$109,266.30. The motion passed unanimously.

# D. Plan Review and Inspections

Chief Harris presented a report to the Board regarding the history and status of plan reviews. The Chief also recommended that the Fire Marshal be placed on a 40-hour schedule during the building season to accommodate contractors and that he would cover the Battalion Chief schedule during that time. A discussion occurred regarding options and it was decided to wait for Chief Poell's return in December to further the discussion.

## E. Compensated Absences

The Chief presented some figures to the Board regarding current compensated absence liabilities and reserve accounts. After discussion, a motion was made by Director Bettencourt and seconded by Director Rice to move \$120,000 from line item 321 (Fund Balance Reserve: Other) into line item 317 (Fund Balance Reserve: Compensated Absences). The motion passed unanimously.

#### REPORTS

# A. Cal Tahoe Emergency Services Operation Authority

Director Bettencourt reported that September 30<sup>th</sup> meeting included a discussion regarding the finalization of the letter to the County asking for more funding as well as potential candidates for legal counsel. There will be a meeting on November 20 to talk to a candidate. The letter to the County justifying the need for a \$1.4 million increase was sent, and a committee will present it to the Board of Supervisors.

## **B.** Lake Valley Fire Protection District Reports

The Chief presented his report. He also reported to the Board that the League of Fire Boards who created a "patch" for smaller fire agencies in El Dorado County provided a fire boat to Fallen Leaf Fire Department to help them out until reapportionment dollars could be realized. It was later determined that because of their status as a Community Services District that they may not be eligible for the forthcoming reapportionment dollars. The Chief advised the Board that Fallen Leaf FD may ask for annexation to the District to enable them to receive those monies.

# REVIEW AND APPROVE DISTRICT YEAR TO DATE INCOME AND EXPENSE REPORT

A motion was made by Director Bettencourt and seconded by Director Rossi to approve the District year-to-date income and expense report (July 1, 2014 to September 30, 2014). The motion passed unanimously.

#### **CLOSED SESSION**

#### A. Closed session pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.

The Board went into closed session at 9:27 pm. The Board resumed open session at 11:00 pm with no reportable action taken.

#### APPROVE DISTRICT PAYROLL

A motion was made by Director Bettencourt and seconded by Director Rice to approve the District payroll for pay period 21 for \$236,359.00, and for pay period 22 for \$164,400.08. The motion passed unanimously.

#### PAYMENT OF BILLS

After being reviewed, a motion was made by Director Bettencourt and seconded by Director Rice to approve the bills paid on November 1, 2014 for \$27,605.63; on November 13, 2014 for \$95,896.24 and \$4,834.00; and on November 13, 2014 for the FEMA Hazardous Wood Roof Replacement Program for \$140,538.29 and \$104.823.00. The motion passed unanimously.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 1:03 pm.

Approved at the meeting of December 11, 2014.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dave Huber Robert Bettencourt
CHAIRPERSON SECRETARY

L. Allen prepared minutes