

**MINUTES OF MEETING  
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE  
LAKE VALLEY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT  
OF EL DORADO COUNTY  
September 21, 2017**

The Board of Directors of the Lake Valley Fire Protection District of El Dorado County met in regular session on September 21, 2017 at the Meyers Firehouse, South Lake Tahoe, California.

**ROLL CALL**

Director Bettencourt called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. There were present the following directors: Bettencourt, Huber, Rossi, Rice and Allen. Also present were Chief Alameda and Lake Valley Personnel.

**AGENDA**

A motion was made by Director Rice and seconded by Director Allen to approve the agenda of September 21, 2017. The motion passed unanimously.

**MINUTES**

A motion was made by Director Rossi and seconded by Director Allen to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of August 17, 2017. The motion passed unanimously.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None

**COMMUNICATIONS**

The Board again thanked personnel for the wonderful job they do. Captain Chad Stephen expanded upon the rope rescue performed by Firefighter/Medic Andrew Carey. He also acknowledged Engineer Luke Anderson and El Dorado County SAR .

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **A. JPA Update**

JPA Executive Director Ryan Wagoner informed the Board that the JPA has been staffing a part-time IFT car. This appears to be helping the transfer numbers and is a benefit to the District. On Oct 4, 2017, Barton will be discussing the Community Medicine Program. The ambulances in the fleet are aging and currently there are three broken down and out of service. The JPA is using a loner ambulance from the West Slope. There are still no RFP projections. The new ePCR project is underway. Finally, the El Dorado County Board of Supervisors will meet to approve Fallen Leaf Lake CSD Fire Department as a member of the JPA. The JPA Board approved this at the last JPA meeting.

### **B. AB 1600 Mitigation Fee Report**

El Dorado County is still working on the 120 day implementation process for AB 1600 Mitigation Fees. The District will send the County the required documentation and will keep the Board apprised of when the new fee collection will begin.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **A. Retirement Recognition –Director Bob Rossi**

The retirement acknowledgement for Bob Rossi's service to the District and plaque presentation was made by the District. The District and the Firefighters Association thanked Director Rossi for his many years of service. He will be greatly missed.

### **B. Replacement of Director-at-Large Position**

After discussion, it was determined that the Board would like to appoint a new member at the November 2017 Board Meeting. The District will follow the steps necessary to complete the appointment in November.

### **C. Nomination of Special District Representative to LAFCO**

A motion was made by Director Huber and seconded by Director Allen to elect the following LAFCO nominees in order: Dale Coco, MD, Holly Morrison, Tim Palmer and Noelle Mattock. The motion passed unanimously.

### **D. Approval and Adoption of the 2017-2018 Final Budget**

A motion was made by Director Huber and seconded by Director Allen to approve and adopt the 2017-2018 final budget. The motion passed unanimously. A motion was also made by Director Huber and seconded by Director Rossi to approve the transfer of \$143,000 from Fund Balance: Unreserved Undesignated to Fund Balance Reserved: Compensated Absences and to approve the Transfer of \$102,000 from Fund Balance Unreserved Undesignated to Fund Balance Reserved: Public Safety. The motion passed unanimously.

## **REPORTS**

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

Chief Alameda stated that Fire Prevention Week is Oct 8-14, 2017. He thanked Chief Zlendick and Chief Hekhuis for their assistance with the Aug 27<sup>th</sup> accident that injured a LVFPD Captain. Additionally, CalOSHA came to the District to begin their investigation. Brush 7 broke down while on a strike assignment and was taken to Oregon for repairs. The incident refused to repair the engine. As a result, there will be a change in strike team deployment protocol. Thank you to Director Allen and her husband for helping to bring the crew home.

### **C. Battalion Chiefs**

Chief Zlendick reminded everyone that FireFest is September 30, 2017 at the Hard Rock Hotel and Casino. The District will be receiving \$87,000 from FEMA for winter storm overtime and equipment use. There is the possibility we will receive \$125,000 for asphalt repairs, as well. CalTrans is having a truck wash installed which Lake Valley Fire will be able to use for undercarriage washing. The PTEIR RFP went out and a pre-proposal meeting is set for Sept 25, 2017.

Chief Hekhuis stated that alarms and IFT's were down for the month of August. However they are still up overall about 10%. Overtime and vacancy numbers are increased due to injuries. Extrication equipment has been ordered. The new Type 6 is here and in service and the dump trailer has been sold.

Safety and Training- Steve Pevenage is being promoted to Battalion Chief for Safety and Training. This will leave vacancies in other positions and a formal announcement will be out soon. Chief Pevenage stated "It is a privilege and honor" and he looks forward to the future.

### **C. Firefighters Association**

The Association stated that they are proud of Director Rossi and it has been a pleasure working with him. He will be missed. Engineer Ted Jackson stated that is a dangerous job and we are all exposed to a lot. He is pleased to say that he feels that the Chief and the Board are behind us all. There will be some upcoming areas of discussion regarding the Lieutenant position and the apprentice testing but Engineer Jackson feels that whatever decision is reached between labor and the Chief will be best for the District and he hopes the Board will support that. Congratulations to Steve Pevenage in his promotion.

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

A motion was made by Director Rice and seconded by Director Allen to approve the District year-to-date income and expense report (June 1, 2017- June 30, 2017). The motion passed unanimously.

## **APPROVE DISTRICT PAYROLL**

A motion was made by Director Rice and seconded by Director Allen to approve the District payroll for pay period 16 for \$171,954.97, pay period 17 for \$154,333.45. The motion passed unanimously.

## **PAYMENT OF BILLS**

After being reviewed, a motion was made by Director Rice and seconded by Director Rossi to approve the bills paid August 24, 2017 for \$22,739.10 and on September 5, 2017 for \$35,199.75. The motion passed unanimously.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 5:58 pm.

Approved at the meeting of October 12, 2017.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Robert Bettencourt, Chair  
CHAIRPERSON  
K. Labrado prepared the minutes

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John Rice  
SECRETARY