

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
LAKE VALLEY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
OF EL DORADO COUNTY
October 11, 2018**

The Board of Directors of the Lake Valley Fire Protection District of El Dorado County met in regular session on October 11, 2018 at the Meyers Firehouse, Meyers, California.

ROLL CALL

Director Bettencourt called the meeting to order at 5:32 pm. There were present the following directors: Bettencourt, Huber, Allen and Hogan. Director Rice was absent. Chief Alameda was present along with Lake Valley personnel.

AGENDA

A motion was made by Director Huber and seconded by Director Hogan to approve the agenda of October 11, 2018. The motion passed unanimously.

SPECIAL MINUTES

A motion was made by Director Huber and seconded by Director Hogan to approve the minutes of the special meeting of September 6, 2018. The motion passed unanimously.

MINUTES

A motion was made by Director Huber and seconded by Director Hogan to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of September 13, 2018 with the following corrections; Page 3279 under Minutes should read Director Allen abstained. Page 3282 under New Business the date should read September 26, 2018. The motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Director Bettencourt introduced Gary Moore as a new board member effective December 2018. He will be replacing Director Huber.

COMMUNICATIONS

Director Bettencourt once again thanked everyone for doing a fantastic job.

OLD BUSINESS

A. JPA Update

Executive Director Ryan Wagoner informed the Board that the regularly scheduled JPA meeting was held on October 8, 2018. Director Bettencourt asked El Dorado County representative, Rich Todd, when the RFP would be released. Mr. Todd stated that he could not comment on that at this time. Executive Director Wagoner stated that two meetings were called for. The first will be to discuss the upcoming increase in dispatch costs and the housing for medics 1 and 3. The second will be for the ad hoc committee to meet and go over the RFP bid process. The City of South Lake Tahoe stated that dispatch fees will increase in 2019 to \$358,000 and that the lease of Station 2 by the JPA will not be renewed in 2019. Wagoner also stated that Barton Hospital's membership into the JPA is still on hold until legal representatives can come to an agreement on the contract language.

B. VHR Update

El Dorado County Board of Supervisors approved the Vacation Home Rental (VHR) Ordinance and the Lake Valley Fire Fee Schedule on October 9, 2018. VHR inspections will be completed bi-annually. The Captains and Chiefs will work out an inspection program. The fees collected from inspections will be put back into fire prevention for the community. Chief Alameda would like to see the International Code Council look into VHR's and determine an occupancy rating. Additionally, the District will be looking at hydrant flows as more and more VHR's are moving into the District to ensure safety. Finally, Michelle Sweeney, a community member thanked the District for taking a progressive approach on the VHR issue and for collaborating with the County for community safety and risk reduction.

C. FAC Update

Chief Zlendick gave a chipping update. Chipping will stop on Oct 26, 2018. Tahoe Douglas FPD is still providing chipping for the District. The defensible space component of the grant has been challenging. The District will need to reevaluate

this for next season. There is a meeting Oct 15, 2018 with CalFire to discuss a plan for working together to get defensible space inspections done and to discuss the possibility for getting a chipper.

D. Airport East Mastication Update

Chief Zlendick informed the USFS that both bids received were rejected. The USFS will reduce the acreage required for the mastication project and the District will bring a revised RFP to the Board to approve in the next few months.

E. Board of Directors Appointment Nomination Announcement

Gary Moore was selected by the Board after an interview process to fill the upcoming Board vacancy. Mr. Moore introduced himself and stated it is an honor to be replacing Director Huber.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Approval and Adoption of Resolution 2018-08 Industrial Disability Retirement –Captain Michael Mosca

A motion was made by Director Hogan and seconded by Director Huber to approve Resolution 2018-08 Industrial Disability Retirement of Captain Michael Mosca. The motion passed unanimously.

B. Homeowner Insurance Inspections/4291 Inspections

Director Allen was concerned with insurance agents cancelling homeowners insurance for a large number of residents in the District. Discussion ensued about what could be done to help keep residents insured. After a lengthy discussion, not much can be done by the District, but we will keep providing defensible space inspections for residents as needed.

REPORTS

A. Lake Valley Fire Protection District Chief's Report

Chief Alameda reported on California Firefighters Memorial that took place in Sacramento on September 29th. Two fallen Lake Valley Firefighter's names were memorialized, Mitch Underhill and Larry Stewart. It was a very sobering experience.

B. Firefighters Association

Association President Ted Jackson discussed the changes that are facing our organization. He asked the Board to carefully handle the upcoming JPA contract negotiations and to listen to the direction that the Chief wants to move in. We need to capture more money and increase staffing. Director Allen asked Ted Jackson and crew to talk to the public and educate them on the issues facing the District and to encourage them to attend our meetings.

Jackson also thanked Chief Alameda for making us apart of the Firefighter Memorial. He informed the Board of the upcoming engineers test and let them know that the Foundation was once again donating to the Community Drugstore Project.

C. Battalion Chiefs

Chief Pevenage included a new training summary in his report for the Board to review. Chief Hekhuis mentioned that union contract is coming up for negotiations and that overtime dropped to only two shifts. Chief Zlendick stated that Firefest was a success and that the cell tower was put up. Also, the portables were removed with the exception of the classroom.

REVIEW AND APPROVE DISTRICT YEAR TO DATE INCOME AND EXPENSE REPORT

A motion was made by Director Hogan and seconded by Director Allen to approve the District year-to-date income and expense report (July 1, 2017 – September 30, 2018). The motion passed unanimously.

APPROVE DISTRICT PAYROLL

A motion was made by Director Bettencourt and seconded by Director Hogan to approve the District payroll for pay period 18 for \$167,624.34 and pay period 19 for \$127,623.74. The motion passed unanimously.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

A motion was made by Director Bettencourt and seconded by Director Huber to approve the bills paid September 26, 2018 for \$12,902.75 and October 11, 2018 for \$35,729.69.

The Board went into recess at 7:40 pm to review the bills. The Board returned to session at 7:48 pm.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:48 pm.

Approved at the meeting of November 8, 2018.

Respectfully submitted;

Robert Bettencourt
CHAIRPERSON

John Rice
SECRETARY

K. Labrado prepared the minutes