

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
LAKE VALLEY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
OF EL DORADO COUNTY**

June 10, 2021

The Board of Directors of the Lake Valley Fire Protection District of El Dorado County met in regular session on June 10, 2021 at the fire station in, Meyers, California.

ROLL CALL

Director Moore called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm. There were present the following directors: Moore, Hogan, Rice, Sitton and Allen. Chief Zlendick along with Lake Valley personnel was present.

AGENDA

A motion was made by Director Allen and seconded by Director Rice to approve the agenda of June 10, 2021 with the following change: move new business item I before new business item A. The motion passed unanimously.

MINUTES

A motion was made by Director Allen and seconded by Director Hogan to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of May 13, 2021. The motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Jesse Garner was present and informed the Board that the Firewise designation has posted in Montgomery Estates. Mr. Garner indicated that there are 29 homes in his neighborhood that are out of compliance for defensible space. Georgia, a street coordinator, from the Golden Bear neighborhood was present as well.

COMMUNICATIONS

Chief Zlendick gave an update on the trees that are marked along Pioneer Trail. The project is called the Montreal Projects and was awarded to CTL Forest Management. It is a three year project running from 2021-2024.

OLD BUSINESS

A. JPA Update

Ryan Wagoner stated that he was contacted by the CAO of the American Rescue Plan and will apply and hopefully receive funding from the organization for the JPA. Wagoner thanked Lake Valley Fire staff for their help with the RFP process. The JPA was the only bidder and the County will send a notice to award letter soon. The El Dorado County Board of Supervisors will meet on June 22 to approve and once approved, negotiations will begin. Finally, Medic 2 is being staffed for the summer season to help with IFT's.

B. VHR Update

Jesse Garner mentioned that he has three VHRs in his neighborhood that have not passed their defensible space inspections. The proper reporting steps were discussed. The Board gave direction to remove VHR's from old business.

NEW BUSINESS

I Lake Valley Fire's JPA Negotiation Committee Members Update to the Lake Valley Fire Board

Director Rice informed the Board that there was a lot of discussion amongst the committee members, the Chief and Ryan Wagoner. He stated that we will need to have a discussion on how we can fund and maintain the service. Director Allen stated that the budget committee will need to be attentive to how much JPA costs the District because apparently it is so expensive. Director Moore would like to see the budget subcommittee take the reins and finish the JPA portion of the budget and new contract agreement.

A. Approve and Adopt the 2019-2020 Fiscal Year Audit

Zach Pehling was present to present the 2019-2020 fiscal year audit. After a brief discussion, a motion was made by Director Rice and seconded by Director Hogan to approve the 2019-2020 fiscal year audit. The motion passed unanimously.

B. Resolution 2021-04 A Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Lake Valley Fire Protection District Establishing Appropriation Limits for the Fiscal Year 2021-2022

A motion was made by Director Allen and seconded by Director Sitton to approve Resolution 2021-04 A Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Lake Valley Fire Protection District establishing appropriation limits for the fiscal year 2021-2022. The motion passed unanimously.

C. Approve the 2021-22 Preliminary Budget

The 2021-2022 preliminary budget was reviewed and discussed. A motion was made by Director Hogan and seconded by Director Allen to approve the 2021-2022 preliminary budget. The motion passed unanimously.

D. Approve Drew Consulting Contracts for the 2021-2022 Fiscal Year

The contracts for Drew Consulting were reviewed. A motion was made by Director Rice and seconded by Director Sitton to approve the General Controller Contract and the BLM SNPLMA 16 PTEIR Grant Contract for Drew Consulting. The motion passed unanimously.

E. Approve the 2021-2022 CalOES Salary Survey

A motion was made by Director Hogan and seconded by Director Allen to approve the 2021-2022 CalOES Salary Survey. The motion passed unanimously.

F. NCS DIA Renewal of Workers Comp Insurance

A motion was made by Director Rice and seconded by Director Allen to renew NCS DIA as the District's workers compensation insurance carrier. The motion passed unanimously.

G. Review Bids for Fast Attack Apparatus and Authorize Fire Chief to Sign Purchase Agreement once TO Funding is Secured from El Dorado County

Fire Mechanic Andrew Sessions presented three bids for the Fast Attack Apparatus. After reviewing the bids a motion was made by Director Allen and seconded by Director Sitton to authorize the Fire Chief to sign an agreement with Hi-Tech for the purchase of a Fast Attack Apparatus once TOT funding is secured from El Dorado County. The motion passed unanimously.

H. Local Fire Restrictions

With the current fire conditions all of the fire agencies around the Tahoe Basin have been discussing imposing fire restrictions to help mitigate fire danger. There was discussion about the El Dorado County ordinance and the public resource code on campfires. After a lengthy discussion on options regarding campfire restrictions, the Board decided to follow what North Tahoe Fire is proposing and what is mostly agreed upon in the Tahoe Basin; no open fires on red flag days. No charcoal or solid fuel fires during fire restrictions and not restrictions outside of fire season. The Board does not want crews being law enforcement and asked that CalFire be called if needed for enforcement.

REPORTS

A. Firefighter's Association

Union Vice President Luke Anderson reported that the executive board remained the same for the union.

B. Lake Valley Fire Protection District Chief's Report

Chief Zlendick spent the day with Congressman McClintock looking at the fuels projects in the area. He is pleased that the JPA was the only bidder for the ambulance RFP. He also stated that fire season is upon us and we need to be prepared and take it seriously.

C. Battalion Chiefs

Chief Stephen mentioned that all of the VHR permits have been issued. Buffering will start as permits expire and will take some time to be effective. A can your ashes campaign is under way and the red ash dumpster is available hot ashes at Station 7. Ash cans will be available next week to residents. We are also working on a red flag day notification program to help constituents know when red flag days are in affect.

Chief Pevenage reported that the agency agreements that are in place for responses are working. We witnessed this when a wildland fire started in Meeks Bay. The fire was stopped at 2.5 acres.

**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 from July 1, 2020 to April 30, 2021. The motion passed unanimously.

APPROVE DISTRICT PAYROLL

A motion was made by Director Allen and seconded by Director Rice to approve the District payroll for pay period 10 for \$166,472.12, for pay period 11 for \$169,117.75. The motion passed unanimously.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

A motion was made by Director Allen and seconded by Director Sitton to approve the bills paid May 26, 2021 for \$34,457.85 and June 10, 2021 for \$32,503.27. The motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:45 pm.

Approved at the meeting of July 8, 2021.

Respectfully submitted;

Gary Moore
CHAIRPERSON

Leona Allen
SECRETARY

K. Labrado prepared the minutes