## MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE LAKE VALLEY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT OF EL DORADO COUNTY December 8, 2021

The Board of Directors of the Lake Valley Fire Protection District of El Dorado County met in regular session on December 8, 2021 via Zoom and at the fire station in, Meyers, California.

### **ROLL CALL**

Director Moore called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm. There were present the following directors: Moore, Rice, Allen, Hogan. Director Sitton was present via Zoom. Chief Zlendick along with Lake Valley personnel was present.

### AGENDA

A motion was made by Director Rice and seconded by Director Allen to approve the agenda of December 8, 2021. The motion passed unanimously.

#### MINUTES

A motion was made by Director Rice and seconded by Director Allen to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of November 10, 2021. The motion passed unanimously.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Mike Volmer with the Tahoe Resource Conservation District was present and reintroduced himself to the Board. He is returning to work in the Basin and wanted to thank Lake Valley Fire for saving the town. Additionally, he wanted to talk about all of the different prevention programs that have been completed since 2017. He says that there will be funding for additional prevention programs until 2028. Director Allen commented that she is thankful Mike Volmer is back in the basin.

### COMMUNICATIONS

A letter was received from Sandra Jones thanking the District for saving her cat.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

# A. JPA Update

Director Allen stated that there was no new JPA update at this time. There will be a special meeting of the Lake Valley Fire Board of Directors to review and approve the agreements between the JPA and Lake Valley Fire on Dec 23, 2021 at 10:00am.

# **B.** Apparatus Update

The Type 1 Engine has been ordered from Rosenbauer and will be delivered by April. This is delayed slightly due to the front suspension having to be engineered. We are waiting on a chassis for the new squad. Once that is received, the squad should be delivered to Lake Valley in 90 days.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

# A. Board of Directors Reorganization

A motion was made by Director Hogan and seconded by Director Allen to keep the Board positions as follows: Chair – Gary Moore, Vice Chair – John Rice and Secretary – Leona Allen. The motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Director Allen and seconded by Director Rice to staff the Board subcommittees as follows: JPA Committee – Directors Allen and Rice with Director Sitton as the alternate, Negotiations Committee – Directors Hogan and Moore, Budget Committee – Directors Hogan and Moore, Facilities Committee – Director Sitton and Commendations Committee – Director Rice. The motion passed unanimously.

# **B.** Potential Tax Measure

The Board had a lengthy discussion on what affects our tax base, what would a tax measure look like, what would it be used for and what amount would be reasonable. The current state of the District's apparatus, facilities and staffing levels were also reviewed. After hearing from members of the public, staff and the Board, Chief Zlendick suggested we first look at alternate revenue streams rather than taxing our constituents. The Board gave direction to pursue trying to capture future transient occupancy tax on an ongoing basis and if that fails to go back to the citizens and re-discuss a tax measure.

# **C.** Quint Funding Through Development Fees and Additional Financing Options

A motion was made by Director Rice and seconded by Director Hogan to use California Bank and Trust with a seven year term at 1.880% to finance the remaining amount owed on the quint. The motion passed unanimously.

## D. Adopt and Approve the 2021-2022 Final Budget Amendment

A motion was made by Director Allen and seconded by Director Hogan to approve the 2021-22 final amended budget as submitted. The motion passed unanimously.

### E. Strategic Plan Update Committee Selection

The strategic plan for the District is out of date and needs updated. Directors Rice and Sitton volunteered to head up the Strategic Plan Committee.

### REPORTS

### A. Firefighter's Associations

Matt Nerdahl thanked the Board for all they have done this year and indicated that the community is still very gracious and happy after the Caldor Fire. He stated that they community would be in favor of a tax if the Board chose to pursue one.

The Lake Valley Firefighters Foundation supported almost every charitable organization with the money donated after the Caldor Fire.

## B. Lake Valley Fire Protection District Chief's Report

The District has submitted all the required paperwork to FEMA and should receive approximately \$230,000 in reimbursement from the Caldor Fire. An after actions review will be held at the Lake Tahoe Community College to discuss what occurred during the Caldor Fire.

## C. Battalion Chiefs

There were no questions on the Battalion Chief's Reports.

## 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 from July 1, 2021 to October 31, 2021. The motion passed 4-0 with Director Sitton abstaining.

### **APPROVE DISTRICT PAYROLL**

A motion was made by Director Allen and seconded by Director Rice to approve the District payroll for pay period 23 for \$175,205.30 and for pay period 24 for \$172,006.95. The motion passed 4-0 with Director Sitton abstaining.

### **PAYMENT OF BILLS**

A motion was made by Director Allen and seconded by Director Rice to approve the bills paid November 30, 2021 for \$60,971.16 and December 8, 2021 for \$10,809.14. The motion passed 4-0 with Director Sitton abstaining

## ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:02 pm.

Approved at the meeting of January 13, 2021.

Respectfully submitted;

Gary Moore CHAIRPERSON Leona Allen SECRETARY

K. Labrado prepared the minutes