MINUTES OF THE MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
LAKE VALLEY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
OF EL DORADO COUNTY
April 14, 2022

The Board of Directors of the Lake Valley Fire Protection District of El Dorado County met in regular session on April 14, 2022 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, Allen, and Rice. Directors Sitton was present via Zoom. Chief Zlendick along with Lake Valley personnel was present.

AGENDA
A motion was made by Director Allen and seconded by Director Sitton to approve the agenda of April 14, 2022. The motion passed unanimously.

MINUTES
A motion was made by Director Allen and seconded by Director Sitton to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of March 10, 2022. The motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS
None

COMMUNICATIONS
The Board commented on the communications listed in the packet. Director Allen mentioned Neil Schnaible being nominated as Firefighter of the Year at the Tahoe Douglas Elks Club dinner.

OLD BUSINESS
A. JPA Update
Director Allen informed the Board that the JPA moved into Phase 1 of their building. They are still waiting for the County to bid on Phase 2. Chief Zlendick asked that the JPA Board add new ambulance purchases to the JPA agenda.
B. Apparatus Update
We are experiencing delays with all of the ordered apparatus. We are receiving updates daily from the manufactures. We should receive the Type 1 in late May. The quint delivery date is in process and we are still waiting for a chassis for the squad. Ford is experiencing major delays and we may possibly have to rebid. Engine 7 is still being repaired and costs are currently at $65,000 for parts alone.

C. Impact of Tourism Study Update
The District turned in an Impact of Tourism study to El Dorado County. The report will go before the Board of Supervisors on April 25th. At this time, there has not been an update from the County CAO’s office regarding funding.

D. FireWise 4291 Enforcement Update
Chief Zlendick met with CalFire to review the process for noncompliant homes in FireWise neighborhoods. There are currently 5 noncompliant homes in the Golden Bear neighborhood and 11 in the Cold Creek neighborhood. In talking with Chief Newman, they are working towards 100% compliance. Additionally, Martin Goldberg accepted the Prevention Captain position and will be able to help with this. Finally, South Tahoe Refuse has reached out to help with green waste removal and placing 40 yard containers in neighborhoods to help.

El Dorado Hills has received funding for prevention to hire help to enforce County Ordinance 5101. The County was unsuccessful in hiring for this position and contracted with El Dorado Hills to help with enforcement. This District will look into this to see if there any options that would fit our needs.

The North Upper Truckee neighborhood will have a cleanup day on May 7th. South Tahoe Refuse will have green waste containers out at that time to help as well. The neighborhood will need all new defensible space inspections as the neighborhood inspections were lost in the CalFire system.

E. Tax Measure Update
The Board had a previous discussion on whether or not to try for a tax measure in November. The Board has decided against this at the time.
NEW BUSINESS

A Resolution 2022-04 A Resolution Declaring an Election be Held in its Jurisdiction Consolidation with Other Districts Requesting Election Services
A motion was made by Director Allen and seconded by Director Rice to approve Resolution 2022-4 A Resolution Declaring an Election be held in its Jurisdiction Consolidation with other Districts Requesting Election Services. The motion passed unanimously. Director Hogan was absent from vote.

B. IRS Audit Outcome
The District was audited by the IRS for payroll and accounts payable processes. The audit findings were received and the District owes the IRS $186 for retired annuitant payroll taxes.

C. Annual UAL Pension Compliance Report
The annual UAL report stated that the District is in a good spot due to the CalPERS returns last year. It was recommended that we fund a 115 Trust to help with future unfunded accrued liabilities.

D. Facilities and Future Station Locations
There are opportunities to look at future fire station locations within the District. The land on the corner of Black Bart and Pioneer has been discussed for a possible new location for Station 6 and STPUD would like to discuss the options with Lake Valley Fire. It was also brought up that the facilities committee should look at a location at Fallen Leaf Lake Road and Hwy 89. The Board was in support of exploring these options. Director Sitton expressed concern over making sure that staffing needs and promotional items were addressed first.

REPORTS

A. Firefighter’s Associations
Local 4409 brought it to the Board’s attention that there invited to attend a one day labor class at the City of South Lake Tahoe Fire Rescue’s training center next month. Also, many of the crew participated the St. Baldrick’s day event to raise money for childhood cancer by shaving their heads. It was a good event.

The Firefighters Foundation sent a report but had nothing new to add.

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B. Lake Valley Fire Protection District Chief’s Report

Chief Zlendick stated that it is budget time and we are starting to work on the 2022-2023 budget. Requests are due by the end of the month. We have replaced apparatus and a lot of equipment and radio systems. We would like to continue to update as needed. Chief Zlendick appreciates everyone’s effort in keeping everything going. It has been a taxing time for all and we are trying to stay ahead of things and anticipate needs.

The County has started a Wildfire Resiliency Office. Director Pimlott the former Director of CalFire has accepted the position. We are looking forward to working with him on prevention and learning more.

C. Battalion Chiefs

Battalion Chief Pevenage thanked the Chief for acknowledging everyone and said that it is good to be back.

REVIEW AND APPROVE DISTRICT YEAR TO DATE INCOME AND EXPENSE REPORT

A motion was made by Director Allen and seconded by Director Rice to approve the District year to date income and expense report from July 1, 2021 to February 28, 2022. 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 5 for $168,700.04 and for pay period 6 for $183,170.82. The motion passed unanimously.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

A motion was made by Director Allen and seconded by Director Rice to approve the bills paid March 24, 2022 for $52,598.04 and April 7, 2022 for $54,90551. The motion passed unanimously.
ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:16 pm.

Approved at the meeting of May 12, 2022.

Respectfully submitted;

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Gary Moore                                      Leona Allen
CHAIRPERSON                                     SECRETARY

K. Labrador prepared the minutes