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

May 12, 2022

The Board of Directors of the Lake Valley Fire Protection District of El Dorado County met in regular session on May 12, 2022, at the fire station in Meyers, California.

#### **ROLL CALL**

Director Moore called the meting to order at 4:00 pm. The following Directors were present: Moore, Allen and Sitton. Director Hogan was present via Zoom. Director Rice was absent. 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 May 12, 2022, with the following changes: the Reading of the Minutes of the Special Meeting for May 5, 2022 was tabled until the next board meeting; Communications was moved to before Public Comments, and Captain Promotion was moved to before Old Business. The motion passed unanimously.

#### **MINUTES**

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

# **COMMUNICATIONS**

Director Moore advised that Chief Zlendick has submitted his letter of retirement which will be effective May 31, 2022.

# **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Jesse Garner from the Montgomery Estates Firewise Neighborhood advised that they are working on their defensible space and waiting for the chipping service to start in June.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

# A, Captain Promotion – Badge Pinning for Martin Goldberg

Chief Zlendick swore in Martin Goldberg to the new Prevention Captain position. Martin was pinned by his wife, Karen. Congratulations to Martin and his family!

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

# A. JPA Update

Director Allen informed the Board that the new building lease has been approved by the County, they're working on the RFP for phase two, and it's EMS Week – Paramedics Melissa Slager and

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Fallon Kirb are receiving awards for their work on a strike team during the Caldor Fire.

# **B.** Apparatus Update

Mechanic Andrew Sessions reported that Rosenbauer provided an update regarding the new fire engine advising that they are approximately three weeks behind schedule, but that it is 90-95% complete. They will run it through some tests, then it will be taken to Modesto where Lake Valley personnel will outfit it with equipment to put in service. Mechanic Sessions estimates that we will receive the apparatus sometime mid to late June. The new squad is still in process, and the ladder truck will be in production starting this September – with an approximately receipt date of March or April 2023.

# C. Impact of Tourism Study Update

The request for \$1.3 million in TOT funding was given to the County, and Lake Valley expects to receive just over \$1 million. The funds cannot be used for personnel costs as they are ongoing. The money will be used to pay off the ladder truck so that the only remaining costs are that of the equipment (\$50,000). Chief Zlendick advised the Board that it is important to keep an eye out for the next round of TOT funding.

# D. Facilities Update

Chief Zlendick advised the Board that a meeting with the South Tahoe Public Utility District regarding the potential for a fire station at Black Bart and Pioneer Trail went well, and included a conversation about El Dorado County Department of Transportation placing a plow and blower at the location. Director Sitton stated that this is definitely an opportunity for a partnership that would benefit all of the agencies, and potentially a use for future TOT funds.

# REPORTS

# A. Firefighter's Association

Engineer Nerdahl thanked the Honor Guard for their ceremony during retired Chief Rich DeLallo's memorial service. He also advised the Board that testing for the Engineer position occurred today, and testing for Captain will happen next week.

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

Chief Zlendick also thanked the Honor Guard for their presentation during the memorial service. He advised the Board that the new Prevention Captain position will be vital to the District, especially with the upcoming ISO rating review. In addition, he stated that the budget process has begun for the upcoming fiscal year.

# C. Battalion Chiefs

Chief Pevenage advised that he is pleased with the results of the Engineer's test and looking forward to the Captain's test.

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Acting Chief Quinn stated that the personnel are currently training in wildland fire, technical rescue and backcountry rescue to prepare for the upcoming summer season.

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

A motion was made by Director Allen and seconded by Director Sitton 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 Sitton to approve the District payroll for pay period 7 for \$176,722.74, pay period 8 for \$188,703.35, and pay period 9 for \$179,369.78. The motion passed unanimously.

# **PAYMENT OF BILLS**

A motion was made by Director Allen and seconded by Director Sitton to approve the bills paid April 27, 2022, for \$54,360.29 and May 10, 2022, for \$23,749.56. The motion passed unanimously.

Director Allen asked that a section for reports from each Director be added to the agenda in the future. The Board gave direction to make the addition.

# **CLOSED SESSION**

The Board went into closed session at 4:34 pm.

The Board went back into open session at 5:30 pm. No direction was given

<b>ADJ</b> The meeting was adjourned at 5:30 pm.	OURNMENT	
Approved at the meeting of June 8, 2022.		
Respectfully submitted;		
Gary Moore CHAIRPERSON	Leona Allen SECRETARY	

S. Pevenage prepared the minutes

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