

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

June 9, 2022

The Board of Directors of the Lake Valley Fire Protection District of El Dorado County met in regular session on June 9, 2022 at the fire station in, Meyers, California.

ROLL CALL

Director Moore called the meeting to order at 4:04 pm. There were present the following directors: Moore, Hogan, Allen and Sitton. Directors Rice was absent. Chief Stephen 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 June 9, 2022. The motion passed unanimously.

MINUTES

A motion was made by Director Sitton and seconded by Director Allen to approve the minutes of the special meeting of May 5, 2022. The motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Director Allen and seconded by Director Sitton to approve the minutes of the special meeting of May 19, 2022. The motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Director Allen and seconded by Director Sitton to approve the minutes of the special meeting of May 26, 2022. The motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Director Sitton and seconded by Director Allen to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of May 12, 2022. The motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Jesse Garner was present and congratulated Chief Stephen on being the interim Chief. He also sent out his flyer for his annual Flag Day celebration and community work days. Additionally, he asked for the release forms to allow Tahoe Douglas FPD to work on private property.

Leona Allen thanked the crews for their professionalism in transporting Roberta Mason to the hospital. She reached out to Director Allen and wanted to make sure that the crews were recognized.

COMMUNICATIONS

The Board commented on the communications listed in the packet. Jesse Garner also submitted a letter to the Board asking for a report on the properties in his neighborhood in violation of their defensible space. Chief Stephen stated that he will provide him with a written report.

OLD BUSINESS

A. JPA Update

Nothing to report.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Approve and Adopt the 2020-2021 Fiscal Year Audit

This item was moved to item B on the agenda under new business. Zach Pehling was present to present the 2020-2021 fiscal year audit. A motion was made by Director Hogan and seconded by Director Allen to approve and adopt the 2020-2021 fiscal year audit. The motion passed unanimously.

B. Approval of the 2022-2023 Preliminary Budget

A motion was made by Director Hogan and seconded by Director Allen to approve the 2022-2023 fiscal year preliminary budget. The motion passed unanimously.

C. Resolution 2022-05 A Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Lake Valley Fire Protection District Establishing Appropriation Limits for the Fiscal Year 2022-2023

A motion was made by Director Allen and seconded by Director Sitton to approve Resolution 2022-05, a Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Lake Valley Fire Protection District establishing appropriation limits for the fiscal year 2022-2023. The motion passed unanimously.

D. Adopt the 2022 Wildfire Proclamation

A motion was made by Director Allen and seconded by Director Sitton to adopt the 2022 Wildfire Proclamation. The motion passed unanimously.

E. El Dorado County's Lack of Support to the Defensible Space Ordinance

Martin Goldberg and Teri Tucker have been working with El Dorado County on the vegetation management ordinance. There are 138 properties identified on the website. El Dorado County will send their inspectors to inspect and assist with these complaints. We are hoping to get to these inspections done soon. The County will send out complaint letters. These inspections are time consuming and cumbersome. Streamlining efforts are underway with new software and the new forms notate the 5101 ordinance and are now compliant and enforceable. Additionally, there are talking with the County about adding ordinances 4291 and 5101 to the VHR inspections.

F. Approve Drew Consulting Contracts for the 2022-2023 Fiscal Year

A motion was made by Director Hogan and seconded by Director Allen to approve the Drew Consulting Contracts for Controller and the PTEIR Grant for the 2022-2023 Fiscal Year. The motion passed unanimously.

REPORTS

A. Firefighter's Associations

Local 4409 thanked the Board for their time and support of the District.

The Firefighters Foundation participated in the Return to Paradise event at Tahoe Paradise Park. It was a well-attended event and a lot of fun. The Foundation was able to see t-shirts and ice cream and interact with the community.

B. Lake Valley Fire Protection District Chief's Report

Chief Stephen recognized the crews for their strong work on the structure fires that occurred last month. They did a great job. He also recognized the prevention division. He stated he was pleased with the progress Martin Goldberg and Teri Tucker are making and we are already seeing huge benefits.

The annual Regional Chief's BBQ will be held on June 16th. It has been canceled for the past two years due to Covid and wildfires. This year we will be featuring a Taco Truck.

ISO is working on re-evaluating our rating. They will be here on June 23rd.

Chief Stephen was pleased to announce the following promotions that will be taking place at the end of the month: Perry Quinn will be promoted to Battalion Chief, Matt Nerdahl will be promoted to Captain, Dylan Yuzbick will be promoted to Engineer and Corey Cordray to Firefighter Paramedic. Congratulations to all.

Nathan Hagenbach will be moving in to a long term acting prevention Battalion Chief position.

Andrew Sessions gave the Board an apparatus update. The new Squad will be in production in the next 10-14 days. Once the chassis is complete it will take 180 days to complete. The Type 1 engine will undergo its final inspection in two weeks and then be transported to Modesto, CA for quality control.

C. Battalion Chiefs

Battalion Chief Pevenage stated that operations is going well. He is working on the ISO reports and he hopes to maintain our ISO rating of Class 2. The work that the South Tahoe Public Utility District has done should help us maintain that rating.

Captain Hagenbach informed the Board that high and low angle rescue training is going on this month and that a multi-agency wildland drill was just completed for the upcoming wildland season.

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 April 30, 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 10 for \$172,434.93 and for pay period 11 for \$176,102.26. 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 12, 2022 for \$347,381.00, May 25, 2022 for \$24, 176.10, June 9, 2022 for \$15,221.41 and on June 1, 2022 for \$454,534.92 for a prepayment for the 2022-2023 fiscal year. The motion passed unanimously

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:06 pm.

Approved at the meeting of July 14, 2022.

Respectfully submitted;

Gary Moore
CHAIRPERSON

Leona Allen
SECRETARY

K. Labrado prepared the minutes