

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF  
THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE  
LAKE VALLEY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT  
OF EL DORADO COUNTY  
October 12, 2023**

The Board of Directors of the Lake Valley Fire Protection District of El Dorado County met in regular session on October 12, 2023 at the fire station in Meyers, California.

**ROLL CALL**

Director Rice called the meeting to order at 4:00pm. There were present the following directors: Rice, Allen, Hogan, and Kaelin. Director Sitton arrived at 4:11pm. Fire Chief Stephen and Lake Valley personnel were present.

**AGENDA**

A motion was made by Director Allen and seconded by Director Kaelin to approve the agenda of October 12, 2023. The motion passed unanimously.

**MINUTES FOR JUNE 22, 2023**

A motion was made by Director Allen and seconded by Director Hogan to approve the minutes for June 22, 2023. Director Kaelin recused herself. The motion passed by quorum.

**MINUTES FOR SEPTEMBER 14, 2023**

A motion was made by Director Kaelin and seconded by Director Hogan to approve the minutes for September 14, 2023, with a spelling correction. Director Allen recused herself. The motion passed by quorum.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None.

**COMMUNICATIONS**

None.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**A. JPA Update**

Director Allen reported that the JPA is planning to enter an agreement with Barton Hospital to provide long distance IFTs outside the requirement of the County Contract. The agreement will mostly impact Medic 2 and will have a small financial gain for the JPA. She also reported that the JPA has been able to move forward with getting the

expanded scope approved to perform some Critical Care Transfers, pending internal training.

## **B. Approval of the Final Budget for FY 2023-2024**

Fire Chief Stephen made note of some line items on the final budget that changed from the preliminary budget. Administrative Assistant Kayla explained an increase to the health insurance budget. Director Hogan discussed CalPERS and the UAL payments. A motion was made by Director Hogan and seconded by Director Allen to approve the final budget for FY 23-24. The motion passed unanimously.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **A. Approval of Resolution to Amend Healthcare Premium Contribution**

Administrative Assistant Kayla explained that the District has only been paying the PERS minimum required health plan contribution, which has made the district out of compliance with the Affordable Care Act (ACA) contribution requirements. The change to the premium contribution is the minimum amount to become compliant with the ACA. A motion was made by Director Allen and seconded by Director Sitton to approve the Resolution to Amend Healthcare Premium Contribution. The motion passed unanimously.

## **REPORTS**

### **A. Firefighter Associations**

- **Local 4409**  
No additional report.
- **Firefighters Foundation**  
No additional report.

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

Fire Chief Stephen recognized Defensible Space Inspector Nathan Lester for his hard work, performing over 400 inspections in 2 months. He reported that CalFire had planned to lift the residential burn ban this week, but at the last minute postponed. The Tahoe Basin wood fires and charcoal ban has been lifted. He reported that he sat in on the LAFCO meeting the prior week, but there were no new developments to report. Director Rice asked if the Board needed additional information regarding the Loader. Chief reported that the dealer it was purchased from is willing to buy it back, but that the District will need to find a different Loader within the set price range and will need to meet emissions standards.

### **C. Battalion Chiefs**

- **Fire Marshal**

No Additional Report. Director Allen asked BC Quinn to keep an eye on Wittman Billing, as it was recently discovered that there were billing issues within the County. BC Quinn stated that the County hired auditors and Wittman has reached out as a result, to ensure proper billing for the District.

- **Operations**

No Additional Report.

- **Training**

No Additional Report.

### **REVIEW AND APPROVE District Year End Income and Expense Report for July 1, 2022- June 30, 2023**

A motion was made by Director Allen and seconded by Director Hogan to approve the year end income and expense report for July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023. The motion passed unanimously.

### **REVIEW AND APPROVE District Year to Date Income and Expense Report for July 1, 2023 to September 30, 2023.**

A motion was made by Director Hogan and seconded by Director Allen to approve the year to date income and expense report for July 1, 2023 to September 30, 2023. The motion passed unanimously.

### **APPROVE DISTRICT PAYROLL**

A motion was made by Director Kaelin and seconded by Director Allen to approve district payroll for pay period 19 for \$182,780.65, and pay period 20 for \$185,572.03. The motion passed unanimously.

### **PAYMENT OF THE BILLS**

A motion was made by Director Kaelin and seconded by Director Allen to approve the bills paid for Fiscal Year 23-24 for September 26, 2023 for \$19,019.78, September 28, 2023 for \$71,082.68, and October 10, 2023 for \$43,417.82. The motion passed unanimously.

### **CLOSED SESSION**

The Board entered closed session at 4:35pm and returned to open session at 4:48pm. No reportable action.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 4:49pm.

Respectfully Submitted;

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John Rice  
CHAIRPERSON

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Irene Kaelin  
SECRETARY

K. Galvan prepared the minutes