

FRESNO COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

Board of Directors – Regular Meeting
August 18, 2021 – 6:00 p.m.
Mid Valley Regional Fire Training Center
9594 E. American Ave.
DelRey, California

MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT: Arabian, Richter, Furrer, Bulla and Chavez-via teleconference.

MEMBERS ABSENT:

STAFF: Hail, Bump, Johnson, Chrisman, Michaels, Wittwer and Hermosillo.

LEGAL COUNSEL: Ross via teleconference

GUESTS: None

ROLL CALL

President Arabian requested a roll call from the Clerk of the Board. There were four (4) members present. Director Chavez joined meeting at 6:18pm via teleconference.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Arabian called the meeting to order at 6:00pm and Director Richter opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

INTRODUCTIONS/PRESENTATIONS

None

CHANGES/CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

None

Agenda Item 1 - PUBLIC COMMENTARY

None

CONSENT AGENDA (Items 2-9)

UPON MOTION BY DIRECTOR RICHTER, SECOND BY DIRECTOR BULLA CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE, TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS NUMBERS 2-9.

No Public Comment.

OLD BUSINESS

Agenda Item 10 – Capital Facilities Projects

DC Bump gave a recap of facilities maintenance. Training Center solar farm gravel has been installed. In addition, received a quote on a used classroom for the additional large classroom at the Training Center. Station 72 is installing new evaporative coolers in the apparatus bay. Station 96 working on bids for new windows.

No Public Comment.

Agenda Item 11 – Update on Mobile Equipment Projects

DC Bump gave a recap of mobile equipment projects. A new Smeal engine (Engine 90) has arrived. Engine 90 has the EZ Trac all-wheel drive installed and is being tested to be put into service. Staff attended the FDIC International Fire Show in Indianapolis and meet with EZ Trac and Smeal to discuss becoming an authorized factory repair facility for EZ Trac components on the Smeal engines.

No Public Comment.

NEW BUSINESS

Agenda Item 12 – Architectural and Engineering Proposal for Station 71 Addition and Remodel

Staff recommends that the Board of Directors accept the Jeff Katz Architectural, Corporation (JKA) proposal for the addition and remodel of Station 71 in Parlier.

UPON MOTION BY DIRECTOR RITCHER, SECOND BY FURRER CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE, TO APPROVE AND ACCEPT JEFF KATZ ARCHITECTURAL'S PROPOSAL FOR THE ADDITION AND REMODEL OF STATION 71 IN PARLER.

No Public Comment.

Agenda Item 13 – Station 74 Ramp and Driveway Replacement

Staff recommends that the Board of Directors accept the proposal from Celtic Construction, Inc. for the replacement of the Station 74 ramp and driveway.

UPON MOTION BY DIRECTOR RICHTER, SECOND BY BULLA CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE, TO APPROVE AND ACCEPT THE PROPOSAL FROM CELTIC CONSTRUCTION, INC FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF THE STATION 74 RAMP AND DRIVEWAY.

No Public Comment.

Agenda Item 14 – Final Budget for FY 21/22

Staff recommends that the Board of Directors approve the Budget as presented and any Board Member makes a motion to approve and accept the Final Budget for Fiscal Year 2021/2022.

UPON MOTION BY DIRECTOR FURRER, SECOND BY BULLA CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE, TO APPROVE AND ACCEPT THE FINAL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021/2022.

No Public Comment

Agenda Item 15 – Board Member Agenda Requests/Reports

Director Chavez requested that staff explore having a picture or plaque made in President Michael Del Puppo’s memory. Director Chavez requested to have the Board bylaws reviewed and updated to reflect that a Director can attend the board meetings via teleconference. Legal Counsel will review and report back to the Board. President Arabian wanted to update the Board, that he will be the interim-President of the Board until elections in November. Supervisor Magsig and Supervisor Mendes are considering replacements for the 2 open Board member seats.

Agenda Item 16 – Staff Reports

1. AO Chrisman advised the position for Senior Fire Inspector has been posted. Eric Watkins is leaving the position to move out of state.
2. DC Bump advised Coalinga City Fire has to go through their internal process to move forward with the building lease. Should have additional information by the September Board meeting.
3. Chief Hail advised that staff has had preliminary talks with Table Mountain regarding Station 72.
4. Chief Hail advised the Engine Strike Team assigned to the Dixie Fire is now being sent to El Dorado County to the Caldor Fire.

UPON MOTION BY DIRECTOR FURRER AND SECOND BY DIRECTOR RICHTER AND CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE IN FAVOR, TO ADJOURN THE MEETING.

ADJOURNMENT – The meeting was adjourned in memory of President Michael Del Puppo at 7:36 p.m.

The next Regular Board meeting will be held on August 18, 2021.