

FRESNO COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

Board of Directors – Regular Meeting

June 17, 2020 – 6:00 p.m.

Sanger Headquarters

210 S. Academy Avenue

Sanger, California

MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT: Del Puppo, Del Testa, Guice, Arabian, Richter, and Chavez.
All members present via teleconference.

MEMBERS ABSENT:

CAL FIRE/STAFF: Johnson, Bump, Chrisman and Hermosillo

LEGAL COUNSEL: Ross via teleconference

GUESTS:

ROLL CALL

President Del Puppo requested a roll call from the Clerk of the Board. There were six (6) members present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Del Puppo called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. Due to remote location the Pledge of Allegiance was not performed.

INTRODUCTIONS/PRESENTATIONS

None

CHANGES/CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

None

Agenda Item 1 - PUBLIC COMMENTARY

None

CONSENT AGENDA (Items 2-9)

UPON MOTION APPROVED (6-0) WITH PRESIDENT DEL PUPPO, AND DIRECTOR DEL TESTA, DIRECTOR GUICE, DIRECTOR ARABIAN, DIRECTOR CHAVEZ AND DIRECTOR RICHTER CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE IN FAVOR, TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS NUMBERS 2 THROUGH 9.

No Public Comment.

OLD BUSINESS

Agenda Item 10 – Capital Facilities Projects

DC Bump gave a recap of facilities maintenance. Plans for the office trailer and bathroom trailer at the Training Center are have been received back from the County plans department with minor changes, and we were able to pay the permit fees. Fire equipment has moved from Station 87 to Station 82 for easy access. Lastly, the screen printing has been moved from Station 74 to Station 87.

No Public Comment.

Agenda Item 11 – Update on Mobile Equipment Projects

DC Bump gave a recap of mobile equipment projects. The refurbishing of Brush 75 has been completed and has been run out of Station 82 for a week. Brush 74 is in process of being refurbished should be in service within 30 days. Lastly, the District has acquired two used crew transport buses from CALFIRE.

No Public Comment.

Agenda Item 12 – Fire Inspector Wage Clarification

Admin Officer Chrisman asked the Board of Directors to review and provide direction on the Fire Inspector wages that were approved at the May 2020 Board Meeting.

UPON MOTION APPROVED (6-0) WITH PRESIDENT DEL PUPPO, AND DIRECTOR DEL TESTA, DIRECTOR GUICE, DIRECTOR ARABIAN, DIRECTOR CHAVEZ AND DIRECTOR RICHTER CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE IN FAVOR, TO APPROVE THE FIRE INSPECTOR AND SENIOR INSPECTOR WAGES PRESENTED IN THE SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION OF THE MAY 2020 BRIEFING PAPER.

No Public Comment.

NEW BUSINESS

Agenda Item 13 – D-P Engagement Letter

Admin Officer Chrisman asked the Board of Directors to review and accept the annual Consultant Services Engagement Letter for preparation of the Fiscal Year 2020 Administrator's Report and Auditor's Assessment Billing Data for the Millerton New Town Fire Suppression Assessment.

UPON MOTION APPROVED (6-0) WITH PRESIDENT DEL PUPPO, AND DIRECTOR DEL TESTA, DIRECTOR GUICE, DIRECTOR ARABIAN, DIRECTOR CHAVEZ AND DIRECTOR RICHTER CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE IN FAVOR, TO APPROVE THE D-P CONSULTANT SERVICES ENGAGEMENT LETTER AS PRESENTED AND AUTHORIZED THE CHIEF TO SIGN THE ENGAGEMENT LETTER ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

No Public Comment.

Agenda Item 14 – Preliminary Budget for 20/21

Admin Officer Chrisman and DC Bump asked the Board of Directors to review and approve the Preliminary Budget of Fiscal Year 2020/2021

UPON MOTION APPROVED (6-0) WITH PRESIDENT DEL PUPPO, AND DIRECTOR DEL TESTA, DIRECTOR GUICE, DIRECTOR ARABIAN, DIRECTOR CHAVEZ AND DIRECTOR RICHTER CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE IN FAVOR, TO APPROVE THE PRELIMINARY BUDGT OF FISCAL YEAR 2020/2021.

No Public Comment

Agenda Item 15 – Resolution No. 2020-04, Adopting Amendment #1, to District Policy No. 100-01, Paid-Call Firefighter Workforce

Chief Johnson asked the Board of Directors to consider reorganizing the District Paid-Call Firefighter program to reduce the number of positions, increase efficiency and reduce expenses, in light of significant budget concerns.

UPON MOTION APPROVED (6-0) WITH PRESIDENT DEL PUPPO, AND DIRECTOR DEL TESTA, DIRECTOR GUICE, DIRECTOR ARABIAN, DIRECTOR CHAVEZ AND DIRECTOR RICHTER CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE IN FAVOR, TO APPROVE AND ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2020-04, AND AMENDMENT #1, TO DISTRICT POLICY NO.100-01, PAID-CALL FIREFIGHTER WORKFORCE.

No Public Comment

Agenda Item 16 – Board Member Agenda Requests/Reports

None.

No Public Comment

Agenda Item 17 – Staff Reports

1. Chief Johnson advised a lot of fire activity with Assistant By Hire and staffing patterns.
2. DC Bump advised he has added Johnny Dominguez as an additional Fire Captain to the training center staff.
3. DC Bump advised he is looking to staff the training center during the weekends, this will allow them to be available for incidents.
4. DC Bump advised has been working with BC Michaels and Fresno City College on reimbursements.
5. DC Bump advised CAL FIRE purchased a laser cutter for cutting plastic and acrylics and this will benefit the District as well.

UPON MOTION APPROVED (6-0) WITH PRESIDENT DEL PUPPO, AND DIRECTOR DEL TESTA, DIRECTOR GUICE, DIRECTOR ARABIAN, DIRECTOR CHAVEZ AND DIRECTOR RICHTER CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE IN FAVOR, TO MOVE INTO CLOSED SESSION.

Agenda Item 18.A. – Closed Session Conference with Legal Counsel - Anticipated Litigation Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to Government code section 54956.9(d)(2): (2 matters)

Reportable Action: Written report to be prepared pursuant to Government Code section 54957.154957.1.

Agenda Item 18.B. – Consideration of Personnel matter pursuant to Government code section 54957 (b): (0 matters)

No Reportable Action

Agenda Item 19 – Report Upon Return from Closed Session

UPON MOTION APPROVED (6-0) WITH PRESIDENT DEL PUPPO, DIRECTOR DEL TESTA, DIRECTOR GUICE, DIRECTOR ARABIAN, DIRECTOR CHAVEZ AND DIRECTOR RICHTER CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE IN FAVOR, TO ADJOURN THE MEETING.

ADJOURNMENT – The meeting was adjourned at 7:19 p.m.

The next Regular Board meeting will be held on July 15, 2020.