

FRESNO COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

Board of Directors – Regular Meeting

June 17, 2019 – 6:00 p.m.

Sanger Headquarters

210 S. Academy Avenue

Sanger, California

MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT: Del Puppo, Guice, Del Testa, Arabian, Richter

MEMBERS ABSENT: Chavez

CAL FIRE: Johnson, Chrisman, Bump, Wittwer, McDougald, Hermosillo

LEGAL COUNSEL: Ross

GUESTS: Bret Rush, Matt Furrer

ROLL CALL

President Del Puppo requested a roll call from the Clerk of the Board. There were five (5) members present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Del Puppo called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm and Director Del Testa opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

INTRODUCTIONS/PRESENTATIONS

Chief Johnson introduced Bret Rush, Supervisor Magsig's Chief of Staff.

CHANGES/CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

Chief Johnson advised item #12 under old business will be information only and no vote.

Agenda Item 1 - PUBLIC COMMENTARY

Bret Rush thanked Chief Johnson for writing an editorial that talked about the partnership that the Fire District and CALFIRE has with the County of Fresno to protect our citizens. In addition, he provided an update on Huntington lake road, and the Beaver slide. The road is now open.

CONSENT AGENDA (Items 2-9)

UPON MOTION BY DIRECTOR DEL TESTA, SECOND BY DIRECTOR ARABIAN CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE, 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 station projects. The landscaping project for Station 95 has been completed. The shop inventory and office space expansion project will be completed soon.

No Public Comment.

Agenda Item 11 – Update on Mobile Equipment Projects

DC Bump gave a recap of mobile equipment projects. The steel used in the aerial ladder of the new ladder truck did not meet required specifications. Smeal is replacing the aerial ladder on the new ladder truck under warranty. The repairs should be completed by June 26th. New Engine 84 is in service. Next month, work on the mobile equipment replacement five-year plan will begin.

No Public Comment.

Agenda Item 12 – Update on Training Center Restrooms

DC Chrisman advised that BC Bowman has a proposal and tentative agreement with Design Space for the Training Center bathroom project. Legal review determined there were issues with the agreement language and staff are still working on the details with Design Space. Staff will bring the agreement to the Board for approval.

No Public Comment.

NEW BUSINESS

Agenda Item 13 – Solar Production Project at Training Center

DC Bump presented a proposal for a solar production project to be built at the Training Center. Matt Furrer was introduced as the technical advisor to assist with the project. Matt is a commercial electrical contractor and has extensive knowledge of building commercial solar projects. Matt assisted District staff with creating an RFP that was presented to four contractors with experience building commercial solar projects. Three

contractors provided proposals. BC Bump requested the Board approve the initial fee of \$15,000 to hire an engineer for designing and planning the project. The plans then will be submitted with an application to PG&E.

Public Comment

Steve Orton asked if there are any grants can use towards the solar production project. BC Bump advised most grants are tax based and they do not apply to the District.

UPON MOTION BY DIRECTOR RICHTER, SECOND BY DIRECTOR DEL PUPPO AND CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE, TO APPROVE THE DEPOSIT OF THE SOLAR PRODUCTION PROJECT AT THE TRAINING CENTER

No Public Comment.

Agenda Item 14 – D-P Consulting Engagement Letter

DC Chrisman presented an engagement letter from D-P Consulting to provide the annual report for Millerton New Town. DC Chrisman asked for approval from the board to authorize Chief Johnson to sign the engagement letter.

UPON MOTION BY DIRECTOR DEL TESTA, SECOND BY DIRECTOR ARABIAN AND CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE, TO APPROVE THE D-P CONSULTING ENGAGEMENT LETTER.

No Public Comment

Agenda Item 15 – Preliminary Budget 19/20

DC Bump presented the Preliminary Budget for FY 2019/2020. Director Guice reminded DC Bump that the Budget subcommittee wanted the PCF Coordinator position removed from the budget. DC Chrisman confirmed that the PCF Coordinator will be removed from the Preliminary budget.

UPON MOTION BY DIRECTOR DEL PUPPO, SECOND BY DIRECTOR ARABIAN AND CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE, TO APPROVE ACCEPTING PRELIMINARY BUDGET AND ELIMINIATE THE PCF COORDINATOR POSITION.

Public Comment

Steve Orton asked about obtaining grant money. BC Bump explained that grant money is less available than it was before.

Agenda Item 16 – Board Member Agenda Requests/Reports

Director Arabian thanked Chief Johnson for writing a letter for Supervisor Magsig. President Del Puppo thanked the staff for all the work done for Champ Camp.

Agenda Item 17 – Staff Reports

1. Chief Johnson wanted to recognize Fire Captain Stacy Hamilton who passed away this week. He was one of the original Helitack captains at Millerton and was a close friend of several employees and the department.
2. Chief Johnson advised he and staff met recently with an ISO field representative. The upcoming ISO review will be headed by BC Michaels.
3. DC Bump advised that FireView is in beta testing at this time. BC Michaels is still engaged with the project.
4. Director Del Puppo wanted to know if staff had hired an additional inspector yet. Chief Johnson advised that an inspector had been hired. DC Chrisman advised that Chris Diaz had been hired and that he had recently retired from Corrections as a fire chief.

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)

Written Report to be prepared pursuant to Government Code section 54957.1.

Agenda Item 18.B. – Consideration of Personnel matter pursuant to Government code section 54957 (b): (2 matters)

Written Report to be prepared pursuant to Government Code section 54957.1.

Agenda Item 20. – Report Upon Return from Closed Session

No reportable actions to report. AT 7:55PM

UPON MOTION BY DIRECTOR DEL TESTA, SECOND BY DIRECTOR ARABIAN AND CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE, TO ADJOURN THE MEETING.

ADJOURNMENT – The meeting was adjourned at 7:56 p.m. in memory of Fire Captain Stacy A. Hamilton.

The next Regular Board meeting will be held on July 17, 2019.