

FRESNO COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

Board of Directors – Regular Meeting
April 19, 2023 – 6:00 p.m.
Mid Valley Regional Fire Training Center
9594 E. American Ave.
Del Rey, California

MINUTES

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

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

STAFF: Hail, Michaels, Chrisman, Castaneda, and Wittwer via Teams

LEGAL COUNSEL: Ross

GUESTS:

ROLL CALL

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

INTRODUCTIONS/PRESENTATIONS

None

CHANGES/CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

None

Agenda Item 1 - PUBLIC COMMENTARY

None

CONSENT AGENDA (Items 2-8)

UPON MOTION BY DIRECTOR RICHTER, SECOND BY DIRECTOR BULLA AND CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE (6-0), TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS NUMBERS 2-8.

No Public Comment.

OLD BUSINESS

Agenda Item 9 – Second Reading Ordinance No. 2023-02 Board Member Compensation.

UPON MOTION BY DIRECTOR RICHTER, SECOND BY DIRECTOR BULLA CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE (6-0), ON ORDINANCE NO. 2023-02 BOARD MEMBER COMPENSATION.

NEW BUSINESS

Agenda Item 10 – D-P Consulting Engagement Letter

UPON MOTION BY DIRECTOR FRANCISCO, SECOND BY DIRECTOR ARABIAN CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE (6-0), TO APPROVE THE D-P CONSULTING ANNUAL CONSULTANT SERVICES ENGAGEMENT LETTER FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023.

No Public Comment.

Agenda Item 11 – Auditors Report for Fiscal Year 21/22

UPON MOTION BY DIRECTOR RICHTER, SECOND BY DIRECTOR CHAVEZ CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE (6-0), TO APPROVE THE AUDITOR'S REPORT FOR FISCAL YEAR 21/22.

No Public Comment.

Agenda Item 12 – Rural Fire Capacity Grant Application 2023

UPON MOTION BY PRESIDENT FURRER, SECOND BY DIRECTOR BULLA CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE (6-0), TO APPROVE THE RURAL FIRE CAPACITY GRANT APPLICATION 2023.

Agenda Item 13 – Board Member Agenda Requests/Reports

None

Agenda Item 14 – Staff Reports

1. Chief Hail stated they have been having meetings to plan for flooding issues.
2. AC Wittwer advised station 85 received their generator. On April 26 the generator will be installed. They will saw cut the concrete at station 93 for the gas line on Monday. They trenched today.
3. AC Wittwer advised The Training Center will be getting the asphalt resealed on the weekend of 5/13/2023.
4. AC Wittwer stated the shop has been engaged on completing annual services for all 4-wheel drive vehicles for fire season.

5. AC Wittwer stated Battalion 81 was put into service last month.
6. AC Michaels discussed they are conducting annual inspections on the facilities in the unit.
7. AC Michaels explained how Stacey Nolan and BC Seth Brown are creating ISO flyers for the high-risk businesses in the area.
8. AC Michaels discussed the intern working in the District is from ROP design. They will be working on flyers and media. He also stated there will be a few more interns from Mechanics ROP in Sanger Unified. They will be working 100hrs and are paid through the school district.
9. AC Michaels discussed the -water rescue night drills with Fresno County Sheriffs and Fresno Fire Department.

Agenda Item 15 – Legal Counsel Reports

Legal Counsel Report on legal authority pertaining to Board Member compensation and benefits.

UPON MOTION BY DIRECTOR MENDES AND SECOND BY DIRECTOR CHAVEZ AND CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE (6-0) IN FAVOR, TO ADJOURN THE MEETING.

ADJOURNMENT – The meeting was adjourned at 7:18 p.m.

The next Regular Board meeting will be held on June 21, 2023.