

**FRESNO COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT**

Board of Directors – Regular Meeting  
May 19, 2021 – 6:00 p.m.  
Mid Valley Regional Fire Training Center  
9594 E. American Ave.  
DelRey, California

**MINUTES**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Del Puppo, Arabian, Richter, Chavez, Furrer and Bulla.

MEMBERS ABSENT:

STAFF: Hail, Johnson, Bump, Chrisman, Brown, Urias, Wittwer and Hermosillo

LEGAL COUNSEL: Ross via teleconference

GUESTS: None

**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 6:04pm 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 2-8)**

UPON MOTION BY DIRECTOR CHAVEZ, SECOND BY DIRECTOR ARABIAN CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE, TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS NUMBERS 2-8.

No Public Comment.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **Agenda Item 9 – Capital Facilities Projects**

DC Bump gave a recap of facilities maintenance. Station 74, crush rock has been spread around building. Next phase is to build a hose rack. District facility inspections have been completed. Station 89, exterior paint has been completed and the next step is to work on the front landscape. Station 96, the bathroom and flooring projects have been completed. Next is the landscape and exterior paint.

No Public Comment.

### **Agenda Item 10 – Update on Mobile Equipment Projects**

DC Bump gave a recap of mobile equipment projects. New engines are on their way from Indiana to California for final inspections. Water Tender 93 has been completed and presented at the Board meeting. Two of the new command vehicles are at shop for stripping. The DHS grant for Breathing Support 82 refurbish is in the works and the pre-construction meeting needs to take place. Looking at type 3 engines to purchase at auction. Ladder 72 has been ordered and will have a pre-construction meeting. New Engine 75 was put in-service after last Board meeting.

No Public Comment.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Agenda Item 11 – Surplus/Excess Mobile Equipment**

DC Bump is recommending that the Board authorize the Chief to dispose of equipment through auction method (6 items) and DMV equipment transfer process to another agency (1 item).

UPON MOTION BY DIRECTOR RICHTER, SECOND BY CHAVEZARABIAN CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE, TO APPROVE THE CHIEF TO DISPOSE OF SURPLUS/EXCESS MOBILE EQUIPMENT.

No Public Comment

**Agenda Item 12 – Great Valley Solar – Donation**

Staffing is recommending that the District approves and accepts the donated funds from Great Valley Solar.

UPON MOTION BY DIRECTOR DEL PUPPO, SECOND BY ARABIAN CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE, TO APPROVE AND ACCEPT THE DONATED FUNDS FROM GREAT VALLEY SOLAR.

No Public Comment.

**Agenda Item 13 – ImageTrend Data Analytics Program**

Executive Officer Johnson presented the ImageTrend contract and recommending that the Board approve the contract with ImageTrend.

UPON MOTION BY DIRECTOR DEL PUPPO, SECOND BY FURRER CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE, TO APPROVE THE IMAGETREND CONTRACT.

No Public Comment.

**Agenda Item 14 – Board Member Agenda Requests/Reports**

Director Chavez requested a review of the by-laws to see if virtual online meetings can be included as standard practice as well as in person meetings.

Director Richter advised there was a mistake in item #16 page 4 of meeting minutes, correction will be made for next board meeting.

**Agenda Item 15 – Staff Reports**

1. Chief Hail advised of a lot of escalated incidents and hopes the text pages by staff are working and keeping the Board updated with incidents.
2. Chief Hail advised extremely busing with hiring. Hiring 10 captains and 18 engineers.
3. Chief Hail advised once a date is identified there will be an open house for Station 74.
4. DC Bump advised based on a follow up with Director Chavez, there has been a meeting scheduled with Coalinga and City of Huron regarding Ambulance services in Huron.
5. EO Johnson advised working on an RFP to find an architect to have available for projects that come up.
6. EO Johnson advised working on generator grant, working on getting on permits and plans.
7. EO Johnson advised he was able to meet with the California Special District Association for lobbying efforts as well as being an advocate for back fill for Bald Mountain Fire Protection property taxes lost due to Creek Fire.

8. Attorney Ross advised there is an Appeal of the Citation for weed Abatement dated April 27, 2021 at address 5525 E. Madison Ave.

UPON MOTION BY DIRECTOR CHAVEZ AND SECOND BY DIRECTOR ARABIAN CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE IN FAVOR TO MOVE INTO CLOSED SESSION.

**Agenda Item 16.A. – Closed Session Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation pursuant to Government code section 54956.9(d)(1): (2 matters).**

1. Fresno County Fire Protection District v. City of Parlier, Fresno County Superior Court Case No. 20CECG02714.
2. Fresno County Fire Protection District v. City of Parlier, Fresno County Superior Court Case No. 20CECG03030

**Agenda Item 16.B. – Consideration of Personnel matter pursuant to Government code section 54957 (b): (1 matters)**

UPON MOTION BY DIRECTOR DEL PUPPO AND SECOND BY DIRECTOR CHAVEZ AND CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE, TO MOVE INTO OPEN SESSION.

**Agenda Item 17 – Report Upon Return from Closed Session**

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

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

**ADJOURNMENT** – The meeting was adjourned at 7:06 p.m.

The next Regular Board meeting will be held on June 16, 2021.