

FRESNO COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

Board of Directors – Regular Meeting
September 21, 2022 – 6:00 p.m.
Mid Valley Regional Fire Training Center
9594 E. American Ave.
Del Rey, California

MINUTES

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

MEMBERS ABSENT:

STAFF: Hail, Michaels, Chrisman, Bump, Cosentino, Krum, Urias Triffon, and Hermosillo.

LEGAL COUNSEL: Ross

GUESTS:

ROLL CALL

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

INTRODUCTIONS/PRESENTATIONS

Chief Hail presented DeShaunda Hermosillo with a card from the staff and announced that this would be her last meeting.

CHANGES/CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

Agenda Item 1 - PUBLIC COMMENTARY

None

CONSENT AGENDA (Items 2-9)

UPON MOTION BY DIRECTOR RICHTER, SECOND BY DIRECTOR BULLA AND CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE (6-0), TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS NUMBERS 2-9.

No Public Comment.

OLD BUSINESS

Agenda Item 10 – Station 71 Remodel Project, Notice of Award

Staff is recommending the Board of Directors approve issuing the Notice of Award for the Station #71 Remodel Project.

UPON MOTION BY DIRECTOR RICHTER, SECOND BY BULLA CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE (6-0), TO APPROVE ISSUING THE NOTICE OF AWARD FOR THE STATION 71 REMODEL PROJECT.

No Public Comment.

NEW BUSINESS

Agenda Item 11 – Resolution 2022-17, Volunteer Fire Capacity Program Grant (VFC)

Staff is recommending the Board of Directors adopt Resolution #2022-17 and approves accepting the Volunteer Fire Capacity Grant for Fiscal Year 2022/2023. That any Board of Director makes a motion to adopt Resolution #2022-17 and accept the Volunteer Fire Capacity Grant.

UPON MOTION BY DIRECTOR ARABIAN, SECOND BY MENDES CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE (6-0), TO ADOPT RESOLUTION #2022-17 AND ACCEPT THE VOLUNTEER FIRE CAPACITY GRANT.

No Public Comment.

Agenda Item 12 – Station 71 (Morgan Canyon) Apparatus Garage Metal Siding Project

Staff is recommending that the District Board of Director's approve Alternative #1 and votes for the siding replacement project for Station 74 with MM Construction for \$24,900 to limit additional facility damage.

UPON MOTION BY DIRECTOR RICHTER, SECOND BY DIRECTOR ARABIAN CARRIED BY A VOTE (6-0), TO APPROVE ALTERNATIVE #1 AND VOTES FOR THE SIDING REPLACEMENT PROJECT FR STATION 74 WITH MM CONSTRUCTION.

No Public Comment

Agenda Item 13-Board Member Agenda Requests/Reports

None

Agenda Item 14 – Staff Reports

1. Chief Hail advised Ladder 72 was put into service and had a ceremony at Table Mountain Rancheria. A lot of representation from unit and Table Mountain and positive words from the Table Counsel.
2. Chief Hail advised incidents have slowed down due to weather and all resources are back in the unit.
3. AO Chrisman for Station 72, RFP's have been issued to the 3 (three) short listed. There will be a Meeting next week and includes a site visit.
4. AO Chrisman advised Fresno City has agreed to pay their outstanding balances for their transition agreement.
5. AO Chrisman gave an update on the generator grant. We have received 14 out of the 15 generators and transfer switches.
6. AC Bump advised Station 89 landscape is done. Station 96 windows are on order. Station 95 exterior doors have been ordered.
7. AC Bump, Station 74 pouring the pad for the first generator to be installed. Permits have been pulled for Stations 74, 75 ,77, 90 and 83. Station 89 is at the engineers.
8. AC Bump advised the PG&E component is delayed because need to replace panels, that are outside the security gates for Stations 83 and 89.
9. AC Michaels advised CAL FIRE resources have been moving up and down the state, so we up staffed our ABH resources.
10. AC Michaels advised Jeremiah Wittwer has moved into a division spot and Johnny Dominguez has been identified as the new Battalion 18.
11. BC Dominguez attending events in different communities, National night out, and farmers market in Fowler and football games. In addition, will be attending the Big Fresno Fair with our educational trailer.
12. BC Cosentino advised the well is working out, we have an adequate water supply. The fire pump was tested today and got the final today from our fire protection. Tomorrow, we have orientation for what was known as our basic fire academy that starts October 3. In addition, training is gearing up for all the training that is required for all the new hires coming into the unit.
13. Chief Hail advised did some reorganization with some positions. Jeremiah Wittwer will be D4304 position and will oversee the Shop, Training Center and Aviation with drones.
14. Chief Hail advised had a significant incident with a powerplant in Shaver. It's a mile and half hydroelectric plant and it had a transformer that exploded. There were 12 to 8 victims with smoke inhalation and will take them over a year to rebuild.

UPON MOTION BY DIRECTOR ARABIAN AND SECOND BY DIRECTOR MENDES AND CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE (6-0) IN FAVOR, TO MOVE INTO CLOSED SESSION.

Agenda Item 15. 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 15. B. – Consideration of Personnel matter pursuant to Government code section 54957 (b): (1 matters)

Agenda Item 15. C. – Confirmed with Real Property Negotiator pursuant to Government code section 54955.8; APN No's 300-021-275, 300-340-01S and 300-340-13S; Friant unincorporated area. Negotiator: Assistant Chief Chris Bump.

UPON MOTION BY DIRECTOR BULLA AND SECOND BY DIRECTOR RICHTER AND CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE (6-0) IN FAVOR, TO MOVE INTO OPEN SESSION.

Agenda Item 18 – Report Upon Return from Closed Session

No Reportable Action

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

ADJOURNMENT – The meeting was adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

The next Regular Board meeting will be held on October 19, 2022.