

FRESNO COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

Board of Directors – Regular Meeting
May 17, 2023 – 6:00 p.m.
Mid Valley Regional Fire Training Center
9594 E. American Ave.
Del Rey, California

MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT: Furrer, Arabian, Richter, Mendes, and Chavez

MEMBERS ABSENT: Bulla

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

LEGAL COUNSEL: Ross and Schwarz Via Teams

GUESTS:

ROLL CALL

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Furrer called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm 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 VICE PRESIDNET ARABIAN, SECOND BY DIRECTOR CHAVEZ AND CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE (5-0), TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS NUMBERS 2-8.

No Public Comment.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Agenda Item 9 – Resolution No. 2023-02 California Uniform Construction Costs Accounting Act

UPON MOTION BY DIRECTOR RICHTER, SECOND BY DIRECTOR CHAVEZ CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE (5-0), TO ELECT TO BECOME SUBJECT TO THE CALIFORNIA UNIFORM CONSTRUCTION COSTS ACCOUNTING ACT

No Public Comment.

Agenda Item 10 – Ordinance No. 2023-03 Adoption of Informal Bidding Procedures

UPON MOTION BY DIRECTOR CHAVEZ, SECOND BY DIRECTOR MENDES CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE (5-0), TO ADOPT THE INFORMAL BIDDING PROCEDURES

No Public Comment.

Agenda Item 11 – Resolution No. 2023-03 Zumwalt Construction Agreement for Station 72

UPON MOTION BY DIRECTOR CHAVEZ, SECOND BY DIRECTOR MENDES CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE (5-0), TO AUTHORIZE AWARDDING A DESIGN-BUILD CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT TO ZUMWALT CONSTRUCTION, INC. FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF FIRE STATION 72

Agenda Item 12 – Board Member Agenda Requests/Reports

None

Agenda Item 13 – Staff Reports

1. Chief Hail stated that the generator installations are on pause for now.
2. Chief Hail gave an update on Station 71. They are ahead of schedule and sheet rock is being installed.
3. Chief Hail advised that grass is drying out and we are going to upstaff Water Tender 86. He also advised that weed abatement has started.
4. Chief Hail discussed the rising water on the Kings River. We had the Department of Water Resources come out to do an evaluation of the land and the stability of it.
5. AC Michaels stated they are getting ready for the next budget year.

6. AC Michaels discussed the new digital business cards that were given out to the District employees with a cell phone. He stated we are trying it out to see how it works for us. It might be away to save money.
7. AC Michaels advised the Board that there is an increase in call volume.
8. BC Brown discussed the increased social media presence to inform the public about Weed Abatement and hazards.
9. BC Brown gave an update on safety inspections done on the District facilities. He stated that these inspections will be conducted annually in April.
10. DC Wittwer gave an update on Generators. He stated there are only 5 generators remaining. He stated next fiscal year we will be finishing up the remaining stations and we are also still waiting on Station 82's generator to be delivered.

Agenda Item 14 – Legal Counsel Reports

None

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 6:39 p.m.

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