

FRESNO COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

Board of Directors – Regular Meeting

September 19, 2018 – 6:00 p.m.

Sanger Headquarters

210 S. Academy Avenue

Sanger, California

MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT: Guice, Del Testa, Arabian, Julian, Richter
MEMBERS ABSENT: Del Puppo, Chavez
CAL FIRE: Johnson, Chrisman, Bump, Hauff, Wittwer, Christopherson,
Waters, Hernandez
LEGAL COUNSEL: Ross
GUESTS: Dejan Pavic of D-P Consulting, Mr. Roberts of the Assemi
Group

ROLL CALL

Director Guice requested a roll call from the Clerk of the Board. There were five (5) members present and (2) members Del Puppo and Chavez were absent.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

INTRODUCTIONS/PRESENTATIONS

Engine 77 was sitting in the Parking lot for Board members to view.

CHANGES/CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

Request was made to move Agenda Item 11 up to the first item after the Consent Agenda so that Mr. Pavic could leave the meeting early to teach his class at West Hills College.

Agenda Item 1 - PUBLIC COMMENTARY

None.

CONSENT AGENDA (Items 2-8)

UPON MOTION BY DIRECTOR RICHTER, SECOND BY DIRECTOR
DEL TESTA CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE, TO APPROVE
CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS NUMBERS 2 THROUGH 8.

No Public Comment.

OLD BUSINESS

Agenda Item 9 – Capital Facilities Projects

DC Bump gave a recap of station projects. Station 85 sanded and refinished kitchen cabinets. Next week the kitchen flooring will be replaced with epoxy flooring. Currently getting quotes for countertop replacement. At Station 71, the trees were trimmed and three to four trees were removed due to the damage they caused on sewer lines. Next week flooring in the kitchen, dayroom and office are will be replaced. The work will be done concurrently with Station 85 as the District is using the same vendor. The sign for Station 71 is almost complete and will be ready for pick up next week. Facility maintenance will be pouring a foundation and then installing the sign. Station 94 is the next station to trim trees, it will be a three to four-day project as that station has twenty-three large trees and four to five of them will need to be removed. Station 82 will have the pad for the fuel tank poured within the next few days, along with the pedestal foundation for the station sign. Station 89 will be the next station to have a fuel tank pad poured. Station 95 is currently prepping for paint; the wood was replaced in the eaves along with fascia board. Once painted the rain gutters will be installed and then drought tolerant landscaping will be done. Station 83 is due for the next full landscape project. In the next week or two the station sign will be installed. At Ritchie Brothers two more fuel tanks have come to auction, a 500 gallon in Sacramento and 2,000 gallon in Los Angeles. The District will try it's best to obtain both of those fuel tanks.

No Public Comment.

Agenda Item 10 – Update on Mobile Equipment Projects

DC Bump gave a recap of mobile equipment projects. Water Tender 90 is nearly complete, but found a couple things that need to be fixed. A check engine light keeps coming on, so they took it back to the transmission shop for warranty repair. Chief Wittwer is assigned to fire equipment and once the Water Tender 90 is complete it will be handed over to him for the switch over from the shop to be put into service. Engine 77 that was shown today, is almost ready for assignment. Brush 77 will be moving into the shop, since it was moved out of assignment. Hoping to have Brush 77 at Headquarters by the next Board meeting. The next Brush Engine that was purchased will go to paint & upholstery about the same time Brush Engine 77 goes into the shop. When one moves into the shop, one will go to paint then upholstery, then the shop. The District would like to have these two done by spring and the third one in paint and moved through by summer.

No Public Comment.

NEW BUSINESS

Agenda Item 11 – Annual Millerton New Town Assessment Report

DC Chrisman reported every year an annual report for the Millerton New Town Assessment is done and have continued to use Dejan Pavic of D-P Consulting to create the report. Mr. Pavic was introduced and then presented the following findings. In FY17 the Fire District's Fire Assessment Fund received \$85,430,84 in revenue from the FY17 Fire Assessment levy and \$991.55 of interest earnings on the Fire Assessment Fund cash balance, producing a total of \$86,422.39 in FY17 Fire Assessment Fund revenues. After deducting the County Auditor's \$199.17 fee for billing and collecting the FY17 Fire Assessment, a net of \$86,223.22 was transferred on August 30, 2018, from the Fire Assessment Fund to the General Fund.

UPON MOTION BY DIRECTOR RICHTER, SECOND BY DIRECTOR DEL TESTA AND CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE, TO APPROVE THE ANNUAL MILLERTON NEW TOWN ASSESSMENT REPORT

No Public Comment.

Agenda Item 12 – Millerton Fire Station Update

Chief Johnson reported that he recently met with Mr. Roberts from the Assemi Group and Dan Casas from Table Mountain Casino, to discuss land development and fire protection in the area of the Casino. Mr. Roberts was introduced by Chief Johnson, who then spoke about Granville's development that is along Millerton Road west of Table Mountain Casino. Mr. Roberts introduced himself as working for Granville homes and the Assemi Group for over twenty years. The Assemi Group and Granville homes have several properties totaling about 570 acres in the specific plan area. The first, tract 6189 with 133 lots, has broken ground and is being graded. It is expected to go vertical in the Spring of 2019. Road construction will begin soon and that will create some parcels that could be used for a possible fire station location.

STAFF WAS GIVEN DIRECTION BY THE BOARD TO EXPLORE POSSIBLE LOCATIONS FOR A FUTURE FIRE STATION LOCATION, AND REPORT BACK TO THE BOARD AT A FUTURE MEETING, ANY OPTIONS THAT ARE AVAILABLE.

No Public Comment

Agenda Item 13 – Board Member Agenda Requests/Reports

Director Guice thanked the Chief, Assistant Chiefs and Battalion Chief Wittwer on what a good job they did with the Station 73 media event.

Agenda Item 14 – Staff Reports

1. DC Bump announced that they hired Jessica Madrigal from the ECC to assist the shop in the capacity of Staff Services Analyst. They also hired a State funded mechanic and hope to have him present at the next Board meeting.

UPON MOTION BY DIRECTOR ARABIAN, SECOND BY DIRECTOR DEL TESTA AND CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE, TO MOVE INTO CLOSED SESSION.

Agenda Item 15.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.

Agenda Item 15.B. – Closed Session Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation pursuant to Government code section 54956.9(d)(1): (2 matters)

Written Report to be prepared.

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

Agenda Item 16. – Report Upon Return from Closed Session

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

ADJOURNMENT – The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

The next Regular Board meeting will be held on October 17, 2018.