

FRESNO COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

Board of Directors – Regular Meeting

April 18, 2018 – 6:00 p.m.

Sanger Headquarters

210 S. Academy Avenue

Sanger, California

MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT: Del Puppo, Guice, Del Testa, Richter, Arabian, Julian, Chavez
MEMBERS ABSENT: None
CAL FIRE: Johnson, Chrisman, Bump, Hauff, Hernandez, Bowman, Wittwer, Hail, Greenwood
LEGAL COUNSEL: Ross
GUESTS:

ROLL CALL

President Del Puppo requested a roll call from the Clerk of the Board. There were seven (7) members present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

INTRODUCTIONS/PRESENTATIONS

Chief Johnson announced the new Water Tender 77 was outside and ready to be viewed. President Del Puppo moved the meeting outside to view the new Water Tender.

CHANGES/CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

Chief Johnson requested to add one matter to Agenda line item as 17.C. for Contract for Fire Services.

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 THROUGH 8.

No Public Comment.

OLD BUSINESS

Agenda Item 9 – Capital Facilities Projects

DC Bump gave a recap of Station projects. Stating that they have been focusing on the diesel fuel tank installations at the fire stations. Costs have been averaging \$3,500 per site which consists of tank, pump, cement with all work being done inhouse. Due to delays caused by weather they have not been able to close out the parking garage construction.

No Public Comment.

Agenda Item 10 – Update on Mobile Equipment Projects

DC Bump gave a recap of mobile equipment projects. Today the District took delivery of 2 command vehicles from Sequoia Chevrolet in turn delivering them to the Shop. The Waterloo type I engine is at H&L to be painted and the first type III has been painted and is currently at the Shop. Priority is getting Water Tender 77 in service. Battalion Chief's Bowman and Wittwer are working towards some training videos for career and PCF staff. The shop is extremely busy as they are getting ready for summer.

No Public Comment.

NEW BUSINESS

Agenda Item 11 – Community Facilities District Annual Report FY 17/18

DC Chrisman presented an overview of the annual report. He pointed out the \$123,268 for the FY 17/18. He stated the District has already received the first teeter payment which included \$62,562 of CFD revenue. The CFD has generated \$387,000 in revenue to date, the report only documents what was billed for that particular fiscal year. Director Richter asked what are the plans to do with the money. DC Chrisman answered that there are no plans at the moment as the money is restricted on what the District can utilize the money for. Recommendation was for the Board to approve the Community Facilities District Annual Report.

UPON MOTION BY DIRECTOR JULIAN, SECOND BY DIRECTOR CHAVEZ AND CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE, TO APPROVE THE COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT ANNUAL REPORT FY 17/18

No Public Comment.

Agenda Item 12 – Community Facilities District Resolution No. 2018-02

Chief Johnson announced that due to timing issues, he is requesting to table this Agenda item till the next Board meeting and discuss further in Closed Session.

UPON MOTION BY DIRECTOR ARABIAN, SECOND BY DIRECTOR CHAVEZ AND CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE, TO TABLE THE COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT RESOLUTION NO. 2018-02

No Public Comment

Agenda Item 13 – Financing Agreement with Community Leasing Partners for Approved Ladder Truck and Fire Engine Purchase

DC Bump is following up to Board action from November 15, 2017 for the approval to purchase the Ladder Truck and Type I Fire Engine and lease purchase financing. Since starting the discussion in November to present time, interest rates have gone up almost a full percent. Should the Board decide to approve the lease agreement it will lock the interest rate at 3.674%. The original estimate when it was presented to the Board was \$2.5 million cost for both apparatus, once everything was done and completed the cost came to \$1,568,890 of which a total of \$18,000 was reserved aside for pre-paint and any final adjustments that will need to be made. In the event the \$18,000 that was reserved aside is not utilized it will be reduced from the total payment. The payments for five years will be \$358,475 per year, which is \$7,500 less than the current financing the District currently has. Recommendation is for the Board to approve the Financing Agreement with Community Leasing Partners to lock in the current interest rate and move forward with the purchase of the Ladder Truck and Fire Engine.

UPON MOTION BY DIRECTOR CHAVEZ, SECOND BY DIRECTOR DEL PUPPO AND CARRIED, TO APPROVE THE FINANCING AGREEMENT WITH COMMUNITY LEASING PARTNERS FOR APPROVED LADDER TRUCK AND FIRE ENGINE PURCHASE.

No Public Comment

Agenda Item 14 – Fire Station Sign Options

BC Wittwer stated most of the stations throughout the District lack of signs or lack in uniformity of signs. BC Wittwer is looking into LED lit signs, that can be mounted on a wall or on a monument. He presented four different options, with the Board to ultimately choose the sign they like the best. It was determined that the District will go with Option A. Staff recommends the Board approve Option A so they can move forward with the project.

UPON MOTION BY DIRECTOR DEL TESTA , SECOND BY DIRECTOR CHAVEZ AND CARRIED, TO APPROVE THE FIRE STATION SIGN OPTIONS

No Public Comment

Agenda Item 15 – Board Member Agenda Requests/Reports

1. Director Del Testa noted that the next Board meeting location would be in Tranquility. He is requesting we hold off and take that location off the calendar for the time being. The next Board meeting will be held at Sanger Headquarters to accommodate Director Del Testa's request.

Agenda Item 16 – Staff Reports

1. BC Bowman said they made some updates to the Training Center report to give the Board a little more information as they move forward. Over the last couple of months, they have been able to accommodate training for Sanger Fire Department, Fresno Fire Department and Reedley Fire Department to name a few. This outreach has led to us being contacted by other agencies to use the facility. President Del Puppo confirmed with BC Bowman that 800 students have been instructed since the beginning of the year as it is listed on the report.
2. BC Bowman said that the new Water Tender 77 will be utilized at the Spring Wildland Training Exercise they conduct annually with all the Departments and PCF Companies. The Wildland Fire Training is hosted by the District and will be at Millerton Lake this year.
3. BC Bowman stated that the first Rescue Systems I class will be conducted on Monday and sold out in less than 10 days. They have received calls for the next class and the first class has not even started.
4. Chief Johnson made the Board aware of the FDAC Conference that was conducted in Monterey last week. Chief Johnson, DC Bump and Director Chavez were in attendance at the conference.
5. Chief Johnson announced Fire Captain Nick Reeder's wife had passed away shortly after giving birth to their twins at Clovis Community Hospital. A Go Fund me account has been established and if the Board was interested to obtain information from BC Wittwer.

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

Agenda Item 17.A. – Closed Session Conference with Legal Counsel - Anticipated Litigation Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to Government code section 54956.9(d)(2): (2 matters); and

No Reportable Action/Written Report to be prepared.

Agenda Item 17.B. – Closed Session Consideration of Personnel Matter pursuant to Government Code Section 54957 (1 matter).

No Reportable action/Written Report to be prepared.

Agenda Item 17.C. – Closed Session Consideration of Personnel Matter pursuant to Government Code Section 54957 (1 matter) District Contract for Fire Services.

No Reportable action/Written Report to be prepared.

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

Agenda Item 18. – Report Upon Return From Closed Session

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

ADJOURNMENT – The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

The next Regular Board meeting will be held on May 16, 2018.