

FRESNO COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

Board of Directors – Regular Meeting

November 18, 2020 – 6:00 p.m.

Sanger Headquarters

210 S. Academy Avenue

Sanger, California

MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT: Del Puppo, Arabian, Richter, Chavez, Garewal and Furrer.
All members present via teleconference.

MEMBERS ABSENT:

STAFF: Johnson, Bump, Chrisman and Hermosillo-via
teleconference

LEGAL COUNSEL: Ross via teleconference

GUESTS: Dejan Pavic, D-P Consulting via teleconference

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 6:04 pm. Due to remote location the Pledge of Allegiance was not performed.

INTRODUCTIONS/PRESENTATIONS

None

CHANGES/CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

None

Agenda Item 1 - PUBLIC COMMENTARY

None

CONSENT AGENDA (Items 2-8)

UPON MOTION APPROVED (6-0) WITH PRESIDENT DEL PUPPO, AND DIRECTOR ARABIAN, DIRECTOR RICHTER, DIRECTOR CHAVEZ, DIRECTOR GAREWAL AND DIRECTOR FURRER CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE IN FAVOR, 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 facilities maintenance. Station 93 rain gutters have been installed and prep work is being done for station sign install. The training center bathrooms and lounge are ready for final inspections. Station 74 permits received and work still being done for the mobile home. In addition, the solar panels have been installed and now just waiting on the electrical work to be completed. The Station 89 roof replacement has been completed.

No Public Comment.

Agenda Item 10 – Update on Mobile Equipment Projects

DC Bump gave a recap of mobile equipment projects. Battalion 18 vehicle has arrived and final touches been made to have it put into service. The C-services on District vehicles are done now on track for State maintenance of vehicles. Received three of the five side by sides that was awarded by the APCD grant. Will try to purchase a used engine at the Richie Brothers auction to replace Engine 75.

No Public Comment.

NEW BUSINESS

Agenda Item 11 – Millerton New-Town Report-DP

Following a presentation by Dejan Pavic of D-P Consulting, AO Chrisman asked the Board of Directors to accept the annual Administrator's Report on Assessment Levy for Millerton New Town Fire Association as completed by Mr. Dejan Pavic of D-P Consulting.

UPON MOTION APPROVED (6-0) WITH PRESIDENT DEL PUPPO, AND DIRECTOR ARABIAN, DIRECTOR RICHTER, DIRECTOR CHAVEZ, DIRECTOR GAREWAL AND DIRECTOR FURRER CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE IN FAVOR TO ACCEPT THE ANNUAL ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT ON ASSESSMENT LEVY FOR MILLERTON NEW TOWN FIRE ASSOCIATION.

No Public Comment.

Agenda Item 12 – Resolution 2020-09 Approving the Adoption of the CalPERS 457 Plan

AO Chrisman asked the Board to approve adopting the CalPERS 457 plan and approve the Fire Chief to sign and execute documents related to the implementation of the CalPERS 457 plan.

UPON MOTION APPROVED (6-0) WITH PRESIDENT DEL PUPPO, AND DIRECTOR ARABIAN, DIRECTOR RICHTER, DIRECTOR CHAVEZ, DIRECTOR GAREWAL AND DIRECTOR FURRER CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE IN FAVOR TO APPROVE THE ADOPTING THE CALPERS 457 PLAN AND APPROVE THE FIRE CHIEF TO SIGN AND EXECUTE DOCUMENTS RELATED TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CALPERS 457 PLAN.

No Public Comment.

Agenda Item 13 – Purchase of an additional Type I Fire Engine this fiscal year

DC Bump asked the Board of Directors to authorize the purchase of an additional new Type I Fire Engine to meet the District's service demands and to gain pace with the fleet replacement plan goals.

UPON MOTION APPROVED (6-0) WITH PRESIDENT DEL PUPPO, AND DIRECTOR ARABIAN, DIRECTOR RICHTER, DIRECTOR CHAVEZ, DIRECTOR GAREWAL AND DIRECTOR FURRER CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE IN FAVOR TO AUTHORIZE THE PURCHASE OF AN ADDITIONAL NEW TYPE I FIRE ENGINE.

No Public Comment

Agenda Item 14 –Board Member Nominations

President Del Puppo and Chief Johnson presented the new nominations for board members. Nominations can be made and we will present at next meeting for a vote. Director Chavez, voted to keep positions at their current positions. Director John Arabian as Vice President and Director Brad Richter as Secretary.

UPON MOTION APPROVED (6-0) WITH PRESIDENT DEL PUPPO, AND DIRECTOR ARABIAN, DIRECTOR RICHTER, DIRECTOR CHAVEZ, DIRECTOR GAREWAL AND DIRECTOR FURRER CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE IN FAVOR TO VOTE ON NEW MEMBERS AT NEXT BOARD MEETING.

No Public Comment

Agenda Item 15 – Board Member Agenda Requests/Reports

None

Agenda Item 16 – Staff Reports

1. Chief Johnson advised the Board that the District's IT coordinator, Joel Carrillo's son as killed in a car accident by a drunk driver and flowers were sent for his services for today November 18, 2020.
2. Chief Johnson advised the Board that a new Region Chief was appointed on Monday.

UPON MOTION APPROVED (6-0) WITH PRESIDENT DEL PUPPO, AND DIRECTOR ARABIAN, DIRECTOR RICHTER, DIRECTOR CHAVEZ, DIRECTOR GAREWAL AND DIRECTOR FURRER CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE IN FAVOR TO MOVE INTO CLOSE SESSION.

Agenda Item 17.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 17.B. – Consideration of Personnel matter pursuant to Government code section 54957 (b): (2 matters)

UPON MOTION BY DIRECTOR FURRER SECOND BY DIRECTOR ARABIANN AND CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE, TO MOVE INTO OPEN SESSION.

Agenda Item 18 – 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 ARABIAN SECOND BY DIRECTOR RICHTER AND CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE IN FAVOR, TO ADJOURN THE MEETING.

ADJOURNMENT – The meeting was adjourned at 6:59 p.m.

The next Regular Board meeting will be held on December 16, 2020.