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# **Board of Directors Regular Meeting**

November 22, 2017 14815 Olympic Drive Clearlake, CA 16:00 Hours

Vice-Chairperson Diane Watson called the meeting to order at 16:00 hours. Directors present: Richard Moore, Dennis Raleigh, and Director Snyder. Employees present; Chief Sapeta, Clerk of the Board Miasha Rivas, and Clerical Secretary Debra Jorgensen.

# Special Agenda Items:

None.

# Citizen's Input:

None

#### Consent Items:

Director Moore made a motion to approve the minutes from the October 25, 2017 regular meeting. Director Raleigh seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Ayes: 4 Noes: 0 Absent: 3

Director Snyder made a motion to approve the warrant register and pay the bills for October 2017. Director Moore seconded the motion.

Motion passed.

Ayes: 4 Noes: 0 Absent: 3

# **Chief's Report:**

- 1. Chief Sapeta reported that there are a couple perspective new volunteers.
- 2. Chief Sapeta reported the Mendo-Lake-Napa-Sonoma complex fire recovery has been a bit overwhelming. It's a FEMA project due to the presidential declaration. Chief he attends 1-3 meetings a week and 1-3 conference calls a day regarding the recovery efforts.
- 3. Chief Sapeta reported that he facilitated the Winter Weather Workshop on 11/8/2017. The prediction is currently that there is a 50% chance of an el Niño and a 50% chance of a la Niña.
- 4. Chief Sapeta reported he is continuing to move forward on the CalFire dispatch services. BC Murch worked on the geo coding so CalFire will have the appropriate cross streets.

- Chief Sapeta reported that Captain Deakins will be in charge of communicating with Barry Trask on the Station 70 CIP and Station 65 remodel. Barry should be putting in 40 hour weeks after Thanksgiving.
- 6. Chief Sapeta reported that the Lexipol project has not been active due to the recent fires and recovery efforts.
- 7. Chief Sapeta reported that Mike Fulton from the ISO rating company contacted him today to notify him that the district's ISO rating for the City of Clearlake has dropped from a 5 to a 4. This is important because it was one of the arguments in favor of Measure D.
- 8. Chief Sapeta reported that the Lake County Fire Chief's Association and the Lake County Fire Safe Council are trying to continue working with the County on adopting the 4290 and 4291 standards for a County Vegetation Abatement Program. The issue is that the County Chairpersons, Rob Brown and Carol Hutchison, have not attended the meetings the last couple months.
- 9. Chief Sapeta reported that crews have been doing an amazing job on the mix of recent calls and traumatic traffic accidents. He's been trying to reinforce the critical debriefing for the crews.
- 10. Chief Sapeta reported that he attended the Cal Chief's EMS workshop in Stockton on 11/16/2017. He plans to join as a member. The January meeting will be hosted in Lake County.
- 11. Chief Sapeta reported that he was unable to attend the workshop in November due to the fire recovery efforts. He is looking at another one put on by the California League of Cities in San Diego after the first of the year.
- 12. Director Moore asked who to see about the house on 8<sup>th</sup> Street that has been burned and red tagged by the City. Chief Sapeta reported that he can talk with BC Murch, BC Diener, and the City Code Enforcement.

# **Volunteer Association Input and Comments:**

None.

# **Employee Input and Comments:**

None.

#### Communications:

None.

### **Committee Reports:**

- (a) Station 70 CIP Chief Sapeta reported that Captain Deakins will be communicating with the ad hoc committee soon to review the work in the dayroom.
- (b) Station 65 Remodel Chief Sapeta reported that the additional bed will be ordered after the first of the year. Vice-Chairperson Watson wanted to know who was on the committee. Miasha Rivas reported the committee members are John Spriet, Tom Meisenbach, and Director Dean.
- (c) Equipment surplus (L7011, E7121, E6531, and S6541) Vice-Chairperson Watson reported that there was nothing to report.

#### Regular Agenda Items:

 Director Moore made a motion to approve the Volunteer Fire Assistance Program Agreement 7FG17068-A1 for an additional \$4,428.00, which 50% is matched by LCFPD, for the 2017/2018 fiscal year and authorize the Chairperson to sign. Director Snyder seconded the motion.
 Motion passed.

Ayes: 4 Noes: 0 Absent: 3

Vice-Chairperson Watson made a motion to adopt Resolution 17-1101 Approving the Department
of Forestry and Fire Protection Agreement #7FG17068-A1 for an additional \$4,428.00, which
50% is matched by LCFPD, for the 2017/2018 fiscal year with the change to remove Director
Spriet due to his absence and replace with Director Snyder. Director Raleigh seconded the
motion.

Motion passed by roll call vote.

Ayes: Moore, Raleigh, Snyder, Watson

Noes: 0

Absent: Dean, Meisenbach, Spriet

Vice-Chairperson Watson made a motion to adopt Resolution 17-1102 Approving The
Rescheduling Of The Governing Body Member Elections From Odd-Numbered Years To Even
Numbered Years, in Accordance With Elections Code §1303(B) And Senate Bill 415 (2015-2016
Regular Session), and Requesting The Approval Of The Board Of Supervisors Of The County Of
Lake To Consolidate The District's Elections With The Statewide General Election Held In EvenNumbered Years. Director Snyder seconded the motion.

Motion passed by roll call vote.

Ayes: Moore, Raleigh, Snyder, Watson

Noes: 0

Absent: Dean, Meisenbach, Spriet

 Vice-Chairperson Watson made a motion to adopt Resolution 17-1103 Increasing Reserves As A Result of Participation In The State Intergovernmental Transfer Program. Director Snyder seconded the motion.

Motion passed by roll call vote.

Ayes: Moore, Raleigh, Snyder, Watson

Noes: 0

Absent: Dean, Meisenbach, Spriet

 Vice-Chairperson Watson made a motion to approve the Agreement for Dispatch Services-1 between Kelseyville Fire Protection District and the Lake County Fire Protection District, Lakeport Fire Protection District, and Northshore Fire Protection District and Authorize the Fire Chief to sign. Director Raleigh seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Ayes: 4 Noes: 0 Absent: 3

# **Old Business:**

- Chief Sapeta reported that the Plaintiff's attorney has agreed to dismiss LCFPD from the case.
- Chief Sapeta reported that there was a small article in the newspaper that Supervisors Jim Steele
  and Tina Scott are in favor of the fire districts retaining the frequency. Sheriff Martin has agreed to
  allow the fire districts to continue using Red Net for another year. After which, the Sheriff will look
  at charging for the use. The Fire Chiefs are working on getting the Lake North frequency
  relicensed. The Fire Chiefs will meet with the Board of Supervisors on 12/5/17.

Vice-Chairperson Watson wants the record to show that she believes that the Sheriff is clearly retaliating against the fire districts for leaving their dispatch services. She believes his reasons for wanting the Red Net frequency is laughable. She feels it is completely unprofessional and wonders if there is an action the Board can take.

Director Snyder believes the voters should know about all of this. Chief Sapeta reported that a portion of the letter that has been drafted on behalf of the Fire Chief's Assn and address to the Board of Supervisors was in today's paper.

#### **New Business:**

None.

#### Good of the Order:

- Chief Sapeta reported that the Fire Meeting that is scheduled for this Saturday is a group of attorneys attempting to put together a lawsuit against PG&E. Chief Sapeta informed the crews that the District is not getting involved with the politics.
- Chief Sapeta reported that the refrigerator donated by Vice-Chairperson Watson is working good.
- Chief Sapeta would like the Board to pay attention to and make note of the infrastructure damage taking place during the Sulphur Fire recovery. While the District does not have much of a voice in the recovery itself, it does impact the ability to respond to emergencies.
- Chairperson Watson is concerned about Director Meisenbach since he has not attended for the last 3 months. Director Raleigh has seen him and he appears to be fine. There was discussion that there may have been some family heath issues in the recent months.
- Chairperson Watson wished everybody a Happy Thanksgiving.
- Director Snyder apologized that she was not at the meeting last month, nor was she in town when the Sulphur Fire started. However, in talking with community members and agencies, she received incredible feedback regarding the District and its personnel. She is very proud of this District.
- Chief Sapeta received a letter Chris Vallerga Jr. commending our E7021 and the strike team during the Partrick Fire. They single-handedly save over a hundred homes.
- Vice-Chairperson Watson thanked Debbie Jorgensen and Miasha Rivas for handling the public with as much compassion and patience as they did during the Sulphur Fire.

#### Adjournment:

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors adjourned at 16:50 hours.

Attest:

Miasha Rivas, Clerk of the Board