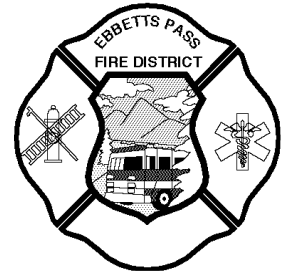


Ebbetts Pass Fire District



MINUTES

Board of Directors
September 21, 2021

APPROVED 10/19/2021

1. The meeting was called to order with proper social distancing among everyone and with accommodation for the public through the use of Zoom Meetings at 9:00 A.M. Board President Denny Clemens called the meeting to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Directors present: Michael Barr
Denny Clemens
Scott McKinney
Pete Neal
Absent: Jon Dashner

District personnel present: Fire Chief Mike Johnson
District Secretary Cheryl Howard
Battalion Chief Rodney Hendrix
Engineers Jim Eaves and Glenn Verkerk

Others present via Zoom Meeting: None
Media present: None

2. **PUBLIC APPEARANCES/COMMENT** - None

3. **CONSENT ITEMS**

Mr. McKinney made a motion to approve Consent Items 3.1 and 3.2. Mr. Neal seconded; motion passed 4-0 (AYES: Barr, Clemens, McKinney, Neal; ABSENT: Dashner).

4. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- 4.1. Finance Committee (Directors Dashner & Barr)

Chief Johnson reported the ambulance transport revenue was doing good and that the mutual aid fire overtime outlay had been high over the past month. He noted that the District was doing well financially even after having moved a lot around financially during the recent UAL financing effort.

4.1.1. Proposed Final Budget for Fiscal Year 2021-22

Chief Johnson reported that the Finance Committee had met and reviewed the proposed final budget. He added that no comments had been received from the public.

a. Board Discussion and Public Hearing

Mr. Clemens opened the public hearing for any public comment and there was none.

b. Budget Adoption

Mr. McKinney made a motion to adopt Resolution 2021-8: Adopting the Final Budget and an Appropriations Limit for Fiscal Year 2021-22. Mr. Barr seconded; motion passed 4-0 (AYES: Barr, Clemens, McKinney, Neal; ABSENT: Dashner).

4.2. Personnel Committee (Directors Dashner & McKinney)

Chief Johnson reported there had been discussion of the length of time that personnel were deployed to wildland fires. He also noted that he would be vacationing the second week in October.

4.3. Fire Prevention Committee (Directors Clemens & Neal)

Chief Johnson reported that there had been a walk through of the new Cruiser's gas station. He also noted there had been more hydrant maintenance.

4.4. Apparatus/Equipment Committee (Directors McKinney & Neal)

Chief Johnson reported that BC Downing was wanting to schedule a committee meeting in the next week.

5. Scheduled Items

5.1. CalPERS: Proposed Regulatory Action – Risk Adjustment for Health Premiums

Chief Johnson reported this notice had been included for information only.

5.2. CalFire Cooperative Fire Protection Grant Agreement

Chief Johnson reported with the awarding of the grant for 12 new sets of turnouts this paperwork was required. He asked Engineer Glenn Verkerk to give some information regarding turnouts within the District.

5.2.1. Resolution Approving the Dept. of Forestry and Fire Protection Agreement

Mr. McKinney made a motion to approve Resolution 2021-9: Approving the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection Agreement #7GF21035. Mr. Neal seconded; motion passed 4-0 (AYES: Barr, Clemens, McKinney, Neal; ABSENT: Dashner).

5.3. Dept. of Health Care Services: 2021 Intergovernmental Agreement and Timeline

Chief Johnson reported the IGT would soon be sent which would be approximately \$131,000 for the District.

5.4. EPFD Authorization to Purchase 2011 Honda HS928 Snowblower

Chief Johnson asked Engineer Jim Eaves to report on the possible purchase of a used Honda 928 snowblower for \$1,000 and credit given for an \$800 donation for the remaining portion that the owner wanted to receive. After a brief discussion, Mr. Neal made a motion to authorize the purchase of the snowblower. Mr. Barr seconded; motion passed 4-0 (AYES: Barr, Clemens, McKinney, Neal; ABSENT: Dashner).

5.5. EPFD: Policy 4050 Auxiliary Organization Revision – Begin 30-day Review

Chief Johnson reported that he was looking to re-activate the Auxiliary in a different capacity and function than it had been previously utilized and had drafted the proposed revision. Mr. Clemens noted that the Board members needed to review the policy and be ready for discussion and possible adoption at the next regular meeting.

6. **REPORTS**

6.1. Administrative Report

Chief Johnson reported on the two recent structure fires within the District.

6.2. Legislative Report

Chief Johnson reported there had been a recent communication from the Citizen's Initiative Group looking for additional funding in its endeavors to garner support for a sales tax for emergency responders.

6.3. Administrative - EMS

Chief Johnson reported the transition of Stanislaus County out of the Mountain-Valley EMS Agency was under way with discussion the possibility of El Dorado and Tuolumne Counties joining the JPA.

7. **COMMENTS, QUESTIONS, CONSIDERATIONS**

7.1. Board Members

All the Board members voiced their thanks for the firefighters doing such a great job responding to the various District emergencies.

7.2. Firefighters Association

None

7.3. Employees' Group

None

7.4. Public Comments

None

8. **ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Clemens declared the meeting adjourned.

10:12 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl Howard
District Secretary