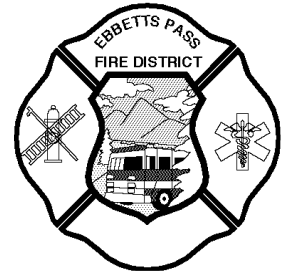


Ebbetts Pass Fire District



MINUTES

Board of Directors

April 19, 2022

APPROVED 05/17/2022

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 Pete Neal called the meeting to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

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

District personnel present: Fire Chief Mike Johnson, Erin Felby, Rodney Hendrix,
Pete Ryan, James Crabtree, Charles Hatcher, Rodney Rodr
Nick Landuyt, Daniel Bredbenner, Scott Vasquez,
Josilyn Layton

Others present via Zoom Meeting: District Secretary Cheryl Howard

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. Dashner seconded; motion passed 5-0 (AYES: Barr, Clemens, Dashner, Neal, McKinney).

4. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- 4.1. Finance Committee (Directors Dashner & Barr)

Chief Johnson briefly reviewed the revenues and expenditures to date. He also noted staff was hoping to bring the preliminary budget for the next fiscal year during next month's Finance Committee and then Board meeting.

- 4.2. Personnel/Safety Committee (Directors Dashner & McKinney)
Chief Johnson reported there had been no new injuries and the two previously injured were recovering.
- 4.3. Fire Prevention Committee (Directors Clemens & Neal)
Chief Johnson reported the committee had received a report from Fire Prevention Officer Joan Lark on her lot inspection progress this year and her lot cleaners meeting that had been held earlier this month. Chief Johnson also noted there was an application for a grant later in the agenda.
- 4.4. Apparatus/Equipment Committee (Directors McKinney & Neal)
Chief Johnson reported that the new engine build was still underway although behind schedule and that the in-frame engine rebuild on the Quantum had been re-assembled and was in use.

5. Scheduled Items

- 5.1. Calaveras Co. Registrar of Voters: 11/08/22 General Election to be Consolidated
Chief Johnson noted the resolution that had been sent for adoption by the Board. Mr. Dashner made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2022-01 Calling General District Election. Mr. McKinney seconded; motion passed 5-0 (AYES: Barr, Clemens, Dashner, Neal, McKinney).
- 5.3. EPFD Personal Safety Equipment Discussion
Mr. Neal referenced the list that had been prepared by Engineer Glenn Verkerk and noted that he would like more discussion as to safety items being purchased by the District. The consensus of the Board was to turn the matter over to the Personnel & Safety Committee.
- 5.2. Labor Negotiations
 - 5.2.1. Closed Session pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6
Conference with District-designated labor negotiators – IAFF Local #3581
The Board went into closed session at 9:45 P.M. and returned at 9:58.
 - 5.2.2. Return to Open Session; Report on Actions Taken
Upon return to open session, Mr. Neal reported that the Board had determined to stay at the 5% COLA. Rodney Hendrix noted he would take the information to the union members and call for a meeting.
- 5.4. Grant Opportunity: Ready, Set, Go! Program Community Chipping Grant 2022
Chief Johnson reported on the \$20,000 chipping program using vouchers to help get the debris and overgrowth removed within the area. He noted the grant exposed a liability to the District of \$1,000 for in-kind matches and he described his vision on

how the voucher system would potentially work. Mr. Barr made a motion to approve the application for the Ready, Set, Go! Community Chipping Grant 2022. Mr. McKinney seconded; motion passed 5-0 (AYES: Barr, Clemens, Dashner, Neal, McKinney).

- 5.5. CalOES/FEMA: Butte Fire Final Inspection Report, Subrecipient Closeout
Chief Johnson noted the information had been included for the Board's information.
- 5.6. SDRMA: 2022-23 Worker's Compensation Renewal Estimate
Chief Johnson noted that the premium of \$113,098 for the upcoming fiscal year was probably more typical than had been during the current year.
- 5.7. Report on Transient Occupancy Tax and Prop 172 Outline for Fiscal Year 2022-23
Chief Johnson reported on a recent meeting held between the Calaveras County CAO Christa Von Latta and local fire agencies.
- 5.8. Thank-you Letter from Stephan Voges
Chief Johnson added some information on the actual call response and the good work done by Firefighter-EMT Sean Bitner and Firefighter-Paramedic RJ Schulze.

6. **REPORTS**

- 6.1. Administrative Report
Chief Johnson reported on wildland training being performed throughout the District and the firefighter training for Firefighter-EMT Josilyn Layton. He added there was spring cleaning being done at all the stations and that the new grant-funded extractor and dryer were in place.
- 6.2. Legislative Report
Chief Johnson reported on recent legislation action including AB 1721 and AB2819.
- 6.3. Administrative - EMS - None

7. **COMMENTS, QUESTIONS, CONSIDERATIONS**

- 7.1. Board Members
The Board members all expressed their appreciation for the work done by District staff.
- 7.2. Firefighters Association
Chief Johnson reported that the July BBQ & Raffle were to be held July 2nd this year.

7.3. Employees' Group

Battalion Chief Hendrix thanked the Board members for their work for the District.

7.4. Public Comments

None

8. **ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. McKinney made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Barr seconded; motion passed 5-0
10:43 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl Howard
District Secretary