

SOUTH PLACER FIRE DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Regular Board Meeting Minutes
May 17, 2017

REGULAR BUSINESS

The South Placer Fire District Board of Directors regular meeting was called to order on Wednesday, May 17, 2017 at 7:01 p.m. by President, Gary Grenfell.

Present:

Gary Grenfell, President
Dave Harris, Vice-President
Sean Mullin, Clerk
Terri Ryland, Director (arrived at 7:04 p.m.)
Mike DeLaurentis, Director

Absent:

None

Staff in Attendance:

Fire Chief, Eric Walder
Deputy Fire Chief, Karl Fowler
Board Secretary, Kathy Medeiros

Special Presentation: None

Public Comment: None

Report from Closed Session: None

Consent Agenda: Director Mullin made a motion to approve the consent agenda; seconded by Director Harris. Carried

Ayes: Grenfell, Harris, Mullin, DeLaurentis Noes: None Abstain: None Absent: Ryland

OLD BUSINESS

Consolidation with Loomis Fire Protection District: Staff recommends discussion of current progress of consolidation. Chief Walder gave a current progress of the status of the consolidation effort. Chief Walder discussed a letter from the Placer County Executive Officer requiring information on the tax rate exchange discussion on page 13 of the service plan. Chief Walder spoke with Placer County Treasurer, Janine Windeshausen, who felt a tax rate discussion, was not applicable for a district consolidation, but more for services provided to a growing area where other agencies have moved out of and no service is being provided. She wrote a letter to the Placer County Executive Officer, Supervisor Holmes and both Board Presidents of South Placer and Loomis Fire disputing the need for additional tax rate discussion. Chief Walder met with supervisor Holmes is in favor of the Districts consolidation effort. Chief Walder received notice from Kris Berry noting the consolidation will be on the June agenda for

LAFCO. Chief Walder is still waiting on the date of the June meeting. Kris Berry has requested a detailed district map and additional information about retirement benefits. Chief Walder has contacted CalPERS to get the assessment going. Loomis Fire will be losing their full paid medical in order to self-fund their other post-employment benefits (OPEB). President Grenfell asked what Kris Berry would like in the next map which Chief Walder stated he would print the current map and rearrange it with more detail. Chief Walder stated that MSR is still discussing Woodbridge Ranch and the Livoti Tract. Chief Walder stated the Livoti Tract will be discussed later due to a fatal fire that occurred there which the District is responsible for fire investigation. The Roseville Fire Chief has asked about the response agreement which dated back to 1994 and Chief Walder is expecting further discussion on this. Director DeLaurentis inquired as to if the Board of Directors would have to give additional approval after the LAFCO approval which he was informed they will not.

Final Ambulance Provider Agreement Renewal Contract: Chief recommends discussion and review on the executed exclusive operating area contract. Chief Walder discussed the ambulance provider agreement that the board gave authorization to execute the month prior. Chief Walder explained the 201 rights and the Districts rights under the Fire Districts Act where addressed in multiple places within the contract. The Contract was discussed after legal review which readdressed those rights with a few changes and no cause for concern. The board reviewed the final agreement that had been recently executed.

NEW BUSINESS

3rd Quarter 2016/17 Quarterly Budget Report (3rd Quarter): Staff recommends a short presentation on the status of the Fiscal Year 2016/17 budget. Chief Walder explained that the District is about 1% short on our general revenue, but it is expected that the ambulance revenue will make up for the 1%. Salaries and benefits are currently at 70.8% of budget. There have been several firefighters off duty with one going out with a broken leg. District spending has been slowed overall to account for the decreased revenues realized. Cell tower revenues were over estimated by \$30,000 for 2016/17 fiscal year. Ambulance revenue is tracking high and is expected to exceed the budgeted amount. Salaries and benefits are currently low but there are multiple open positions. We are currently waiting on the April financials to review service and operations expenditures but it is not expected to go over budget. Automotive Repairs and Supplies is expected to go over budget due to some catastrophic failures that have occurred this year. Fixed Assets spending is well within budget parameters. Mitigation expenses are within budgeted parameters with the facilities project delayed until next budget year. It has been confirmed with the County that the excess revenue will roll over if not spent and there will only need to be a revision if a category spending exceeds budget estimates. The preliminary budget will be moved to next month. The next fiscal year budget estimates around 2% increase in property tax revenue compared to the expected 3% this year which has fallen short. Chief Walder stated that he will budget at 2% for 2017/18.

INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION

None

Correspondence: A letter was received thanking the District for the renewal of membership to The Burn Institute Youth Fire Setter Program. A story about Chief Walder in the FDAC magazine was distributed noting his election to the Board of Directors. A letter thanking Chief Walder for his part on the panel for the Placer Hills Fire Chief. The PARS statement from March and February showing a recent payment of \$140,000. Captain Midtlyng received a thank you letter for taking part in the Engineer testing for the City of Folsom Fire Dept.

Chief's Report:

- MOU's and contracts complete – 3809, SPFAOA, Day staff, Administrative Chiefs, and Fire Chief
- Cost sharing agreement with CalPERS is in motion and there will be a resolution presented in June
- Loomis Contract is renewing on a year to year basis. Chief Walder is working with District Counsel to add additional ALS oversight change to the initial agreement in next month's board packet. Loomis has agreed to the language.
- Operational Area Coordinator – Chief has developed a system to keep track of our local county resources that are designed to status resources easier. He has also worked on the same program to status regional resources for the 13 county region
- Staff are working on reimbursement from the owner of the vehicle that drove through the gate at Station 19.
- New Fire Chief at Placer Hills Fire is Kirk Kushen formerly from Kern County Fire Department
- Rocklin's Fire Chief is retiring in August
- Setting meetings with the Facilities team and Budget committee
- Train vs. Vehicle in Loomis with 1 critical patient
- Fatal Fire in Livoti Tract is still under investigation.
- 2 hours of mandatory training each day
- Strike Team Leader refresher on April 21st
- EMS Training – Allergic Reactions and General Medical Emergencies
- Annual Wildland Refresher Training (RT130 Underway)
- Wildland apparatus serviced and ready to go
- Truck 17 is in for annual service – new brakes
- Ordered new medic and Chief vehicle
- Loomis is purchasing a new type 1 Engine for \$620,00
- 4 employees passed the written engineer test with move on to the practical assessment on June 5th
- Preparing for another Paramedic Firefighter Test
- Amazing Facts Church on Sierra College submitted plans for review
- June 25th is the Hidden Lakes Fire Works Show
- Egg Drop at Ridgeview School occurred with Truck 17
- Administration team to meet with 522/3809 to discuss the transition process and set guidelines for initiation process.
- Facilities meeting at Station 15 next month

Functions: None

Board/Staff Comments: None

Future Agenda Items: Badge Pinning, Preliminary Budget 17/18, CalPERS Contract Amendment 1st Reading, Special Tax Resolution, Ambulance Rate Review

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 8:06 p.m.
The next regular meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 21st, 2017.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kathy Medeiros". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Recording Secretary, Kathy Medeiros