

SOUTH PLACER FIRE DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Regular Board Meeting Minutes
January 20, 2010

REGULAR BUSINESS

The South Placer Fire District Board of Directors regular meeting was called to order on Wednesday, January 20, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. by President, Dave Giblin.

Present:

Dave Giblin, President
Gary Grenfell, Vice President
Madelaine Kiliany, Clerk
Mike DeLaurentis, Director
Craig Powell, Director

Absent:

Staff in Attendance:

Chief Tony Corado
Board Secretary Debbie Frick
Deputy Chief Lawrence Bettencourt
Division Chief Bryan Ransdell
Division Chief Eric Walder
Battalion Chief Jason Brooks

Public Comment: Director Giblin requested that anyone who had a comment to make raise their hand and they would be called on.

Special Presentation: Captain Jon LaCurelle presented community member, Eric Sanchez and his family with a plaque to recognize their assistance with the South Placer Fire Food and Toy Drive.

Consent Agenda: Director Kiliany made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Seconded by Director Grenfell.

Carried

OLD BUSINESS

2009/2010 Budget Revision: Chief Corado explained that the final budget showed a shift of 8% of the District's property tax revenue to the State of California. He stated that the District had been successful in obtaining the Proposition 1A Bond Securitization Loan and that the District received the first portion of the funding. The funds have been deposited at the County. Chief Corado reviewed the revised budget and Director Powell suggested that the overtime savings be shown separately. Chief Corado stated that he would show it separately and bring the budget back for action at the next meeting.

Quarterly Budget Report: Chief Corado gave an update on the current status of the budget. He stated that expenditures have been kept low but that there will be some annual expenditures in Service and Operations coming up soon. Salaries are right on target. He noted that Mitigation Revenue is very low and the activity that generates the revenue has decreased dramatically.

NEW BUSINESS

2010/2011 Preliminary Budget: Chief Corado reviewed the 2010/2011 Preliminary Budget and noted that the District would not receive the tax revenue figures from the County until some time in August; therefore, the figures he used were just projections. He explained that the revenues are projected flat and that no OES Reimbursement was included. It also does not include the Apprentice Firefighter positions or the Fleet Manger position. Chief Corado then reviewed the budget principles as they relate to the budget along with the Ten Year Budget Trend Report.

PERS Retirement Plan Modification: Chief Corado stated that the current employment contracts and MOU's contain a modification to the PERS Retirement Plan. It is one of the remaining changes to the contacts and is scheduled to be effective July 1, 2010. He explained that there is a process that must be followed in order to modify the retirement plan. He noted that an actuarial must be done before modifying the retirement plan and then a specific timeline must be followed. A representative from PERS will attend the February board meeting to answer any questions that are posed. Chief Corado explained that there are no other increases proposed in the time remaining on the current employee contracts. He stated that action must be taken on this item to meet the PERS timeline but the District will no know what the budget will look like until approximately August. Chief Corado recommended that the Personnel Committee meet with the union and have a discussion regarding the concerns of taking this action.

Information and Discussion Items

California State Parks Mutual Assistance Agreement: Chief Corado stated that he and Deputy Chief Lawrence Bettencourt met with State Parks and received some additional information. He stated that the plan being developed is an operational plan not a mutual aide agreement.

Gann Limit Election and Special Tax: Chief Corado stated that at the last board meeting an ad-hoc committee was formed consisting of Directors DeLaurentis and Giblin. They met with Dave McMurchie before this board meeting. There was some indication that the Gann Limit calculation was not calculated correctly in the past, meaning it is not correct now since the previous year's figures are used to make the calculation. Mr. McMurchie suggested that the District have an audit done to get the calculation corrected before pursuing whether or not to hold Gann Limit elections.

Committee and Monthly Reports: None

Correspondence: The District received a thank you card from Placer County Dispatch.

Chief's Report: Chief Corado reported on the following items:

Chief Corado stated that he is in the process of revising the Apparatus Replacement Plan, Capital Facilities Plan and the Long Term Plan but needs to know what the revised budget is going to look like before he can proceed. Once the revised budget is approved the plans will be brought back for action.

The Firefighter Recognition Dinner will be held on February 26, 2010 at the Flower Farm located in Loomis.

Functions: Firefighter Recognition Dinner- February 26, 2010

Board/Staff Comments: Director Kiliany stated that her husband was going to Roseville when a tree fell on his car. She thanked Battalion Chief Brooks and the firefighters who responded for their assistance.

Director Grenfell thanked the firefighters for all they do and for going out in the bad weather and providing services.

Future Agenda Items: None

Closed Session: No closed session

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 7:55 pm. The next regular meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 17, 2010

Respectfully submitted,

Recording Secretary
Debbie Frick