

SOUTH PLACER FIRE DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Regular Board Meeting Minutes
March 18, 2009

REGULAR BUSINESS

The South Placer Fire District Board of Directors regular meeting was called to order on Wednesday, March 18, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. by President, Mike DeLaurentis.

Present:

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

Absent:

Staff in Attendance:

Chief Tony Corado
Board Secretary Debbie Frick
Deputy Chief Lawrence Bettencourt
Division Chief Bryan Ransdell
Fire Marshal Bob Richardson

Consent Agenda: Director Giblin made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Seconded by Director Powell.

Carried

OLD BUSINESS

Fire Recovery USA: Mike Rivera from Fire Recovery USA gave a presentation on the program at the last board meeting. Chief Corado stated that an ordinance authorizing the collection of the fees would be needed. A public hearing would also need to be held prior to the ordinance being passed. He explained that a vendor would have to be chosen. He noted that the City of Roseville is currently implementing a similar program and is requesting bids to provide the service. Chief Corado stated that the District could possibly tag onto the Roseville bid process.

Director Powell asked if the District would still have its own contract if the District tagged onto the proposed bid by Roseville.

Chief Corado stated that the District would still have its own contract.

Director DeLaurentis asked if there would be a trial period if the program didn't work as the District expected.

Chief Corado stated that the service can be canceled at any time.

By consensus the board agreed to bring the ordinance back at the April meeting.

International Fire Code Adoption: Fire Marshal Bob Richardson reviewed the International Fire Code at the last board meeting. The Board agreed to review the Ordinance and bring it back to the April

meeting for adoption. One recommended change was to require sprinklers in residential sites over 3,600 square feet. After passing the ordinance, it has to go to the County Board of Supervisors for approval before it can be implemented.

Director Giblin made a motion to approve Ordinance No 2 2008/2009. Seconded by Director Powell.

Roll Call: Ayes: Giblin, Grenfell, Powell, DeLaurentis Noes: None

Gann Limit Election and Special Tax: Chief Corado and Director DeLaurentis met with David McMurchie, a consultant regarding the Gann Limit Election. It was his view that the District would not exceed the Gann Limit and would therefore not be subject to the election every four years. Chief Corado stated that the next step would be to seek a legal option from Mr. McMurchie's firm.

Director Grenfell made a motion to move forward with obtaining a legal opinion.

Ayes: DeLaurentis, Grenfell, Giblin Noes: Powell Abstain: Moss
Carried

NEW BUSINESS -None

Information and Discussion Items

09/10 Budget Planning: Chief Corado reviewed the issues affecting the District's budget. He explained that the District could be affected by the State of California's shortfall to its budget. He noted that revenue is down, with expenditures increasing. He stated that no new programs would be established if the current trend continues and discussed possible solutions to reduce costs.

Committee and Monthly Reports: None

Correspondence: None

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

Staff is continuing to look at being independent from the County. Staff has been researching payroll options.

Chief Corado, Debbie Frick and Director DeLaurenits attended a GASB45 presentation by PERS that reviewed the requirements and process required to implement the program.

Interviews for the vacant board position will be held on April 2, 2009 at the District office.

The Gann Limit is being reviewed by legal counsel and they will have an opinion for the District.

The Catholic Church has requested to use the back of Station 19 for access to their parking lot.

Access for Shadow Oaks was discussed.

Functions:

Kiwanis, VFW, Knights of Columbus and Lions Club are having an auction on May 16, 2009. The Kiwanis Golf Tournament will be held on May 31, 2009.

Board/Staff Comments: None

Future Agenda Items:

Fire Recovery USA Ordinance

Closed Session: There was an update on the sale of the Douglas Station 16 property.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 7:47 pm. The next regular meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 15, 2009.

Respectfully submitted,

Recording Secretary
Debbie Frick