# SOUTH PLACER FIRE DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Regular Board Meeting Minutes March 14th, 2018

#### **REGULAR BUSINESS**

The South Placer Fire District Board of Directors regular meeting was called to order on Wednesday, March 14th, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. by President, Gary Grenfell.

Present:

Absent:

Terri Ryland, Director

Gary Grenfell, President

Chris Gibson, Vice President

Sean Mullin, Clerk

Tom Millward, Director

Russ Kelley, Director

Dave Harris, Director

Staff in Attendance:

Fire Chief, Eric Walder

Deputy Fire Chief, Karl Fowler

Board Secretary, Kathy Medeiros

Captain, Kelly Moretti

Battalion Chief, Matt Feeley

Special Presentation: None

Public Comment: None

<u>Report from Closed Session</u>: President Grenfell reported that the Board met in closed session to discuss the contracts with day staff and have come to a tentative agreement. The agreements will be brought to the next board meeting for a vote and approval.

<u>Consent Agenda</u>: Director Millward made a motion to approve the consent agenda; seconded by Director Gibson.

Ayes: Harris, Gibson, Millward, Kelley, Grenfell, Mullin Noes: None Abstain: None Absent: Ryland

## **OLD BUSINESS**

<u>Station Remodel/Expansion Update:</u> Staff recommends discussion on the project to keep the Board informed on progress made toward the start of construction. Chief Walder explained that the architect drawings have been received and staff recently met with an Inspector of Records. He continued that the Facilities Committee will meet on March 20<sup>th</sup> to discuss a contract with the Inspector of Records and prepare to receive bids for the project. He noted that the Day Captain position to oversee the construction was no longer feasible due to the many injuries within the District. Chief Fowler and Chief Ritter will now be overseeing the construction. He continued that the project will move forward soon with expected completion in 8 months.

**NEW BUSINESS** 

SPFAOA Contract Negotiations: Chief recommends the Board take action on the negotiated agreement between the District negotiators and South Placer Fire Administrative Officers Association. (SPFAOA) Chief Walder began that he has met with the bargaining unit and came to a 2 year successor agreement for 2.5% salary increase each year retroactively paid to 1/1/2018. If county projections on property taxes are less than 3% SPFAOA agrees to open agreement to renegotiate the January 2019 increase. Language was added regarding an acting step 6 as Division Chief, eliminating the Administrative Service Contract language. Total impact is \$5500 for this remaining budget year, or \$11000 for one full year.

Director Gibson made a motion to approve the negotiated agreement with the South Placer Fire Administrative Officers Association (SPFAOA). The motion was seconded by Director Harris. Carried.

Ayes: Harris, Gibson, Millward, Kelley, Grenfell, Mullin Noes: None Abstain: None Absent: Ryland

Loomis Fire District Fiscal Year 2017/18 Final Audit Acceptance: Staff recommends discussion and acceptance of the Loomis Fire District Fiscal Year 2017/18 final close out third party audit. Chief Walder explained that this is the final audit of the Loomis Fire Protection District. This audit covers the period of 2017/18 fiscal year from July 1- July 22, 2017 after which time the two Districts officially consolidated. This close out audit will allow the District to reconcile and combine accounts moving forward the remainder of the fiscal year.

Director Mullin made a motion to approve the Loomis Fire Fiscal Year 2017/18 Final Audit. The motion was seconded by Director Gibson. Carried.

Ayes: Harris, Gibson, Millward, Kelley, Grenfell, Mullin Noes: None Abstain: None Absent: Ryland

### INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION

<u>Placer County Fire Service Issues</u>: Chief Walder recommended discussion on the latest developments in Placer County Fire Service delivery system and consolidation efforts countywide. He began that Foresthill Fire is in financial trouble. Recently they lost four of their employees to our District for higher wages. Currently Cal Fire has an engine there to protect the Foresthill residents for now. Newcastle Fire also has a similar predicament. At this time, there is no other revenue neutral agencies to consider for consolidation. Chief Walder continued that he would update the Board as new information is released.

<u>Correspondence:</u> Letters from the Folsom Fire Department thanking Deputy Chief Fowler and Battalion Chief McMillin for their assistance during a recent Captain's testing assessment. The PARS fund account statement from the month of December.

## Chief's Report:

- B Shift did a great job at a structure fire at Morningside Drive that was well involved but damages were minimal.
- Attended the FAIRA Board meeting in San Francisco where they gave a presentation on the performance of the JPA pool.
- FDAC Annual Board meeting Conference April 10 -13<sup>th</sup> and the Executive Fire Officers Training Symposium is April 5-9<sup>th</sup>.
- Lexipol policy system in process with requests to collaborators from SPFAOA and SPFD Chapters of 522.

- Six SAFER firefighters hired, now have 3-0 staffing on all engines
- Three grants submitted: Assistance to Firefighters Grant, Regional AFG, and Cal OES Hazard Mitigation Grant Program.
- Safer grant reimbursement process completed.
- Excessive Use Fee is under consideration for best methods to impose the fee.
- CPR Refresher training
- Chief Fowler attended the CAI Conference in San Luis Obispo to maintain his CFI.
- New ambulance purchase order issued, similar to the Medic 20
- Engine 28 is in the build process.
- Captains testing in planning
- Engineers testing in planning
- Katrina Hoops been doing final inspections with a couple more tasks to complete her task book and be certified Inspection I.
- Chief Fowler and Chief Ritter led the Lakeside Little League parade from Station 15 to Feist Park.
- Facilities Committee will be meeting on Station 28 after the contract bidding process for Station 15.

Functions: None

**Board/Staff Comments:** None

Future Agenda Items: None

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m. The next regular meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 18th, 2018.

Respectfully submitted,

Recording Secretary, Kathy Medeiros

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