SOUTH PLACER FIRE DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Regular Board Meeting Minutes October 09, 2019

REGULAR BUSINESS

The South Placer Fire District Board of Directors regular meeting was called to order on Wednesday, October 09, 2019 at 6:37 p.m. by President, Chris Gibson.

Present:
Chris Gibson, President
Gary Grenfell, Vice-President
Sean Mullin, Clerk
Dave Harris, Director
Russ Kelley, Director
Tom Millward, Director
Terri Ryland, Director

Absent: None

Staff in Attendance:

Fire Chief, Eric Walder
Deputy Chief, Karl Fowler
Board Secretary, Kathy Medeiros
Battalion Chief, Jason Brooks
Captain, Ed Love
Captain Paramedic, Devin Fuller
Captain, Ed Love
Engineer, Joey Vincent
Firefighter Paramedic, Ryan Leslie
Firefighter Paramedic, Brandon Johnson
Firefighter Paramedic, Robert Sinetos
Engineer Paramedic, Jon Crull

<u>Special Presentation</u>: The Chief held a special presentation for the promotional pinning of full-time Paramedic Firefighter Ryan Leslie. After passing all portions of his probation he is now a full-time member of the District. The promotional badge was presented and pinned by the employee's son, Cole. The oath of office was administered by President Gibson. Chief Walder congratulated him for his accomplishment and dedication to the fire service.

Public Comment: None

<u>Closed Session</u>: Chief Walder asked the Board to cancel the proposed closed session meeting. The Chief noted that he would have additional information prepared for a closed session meeting at next month's regular board meeting.

<u>Consent Agenda</u>: President Gibson noted that a correction to the agenda item for the closed session description should read SAFF 522 and had incorrectly noted South Placer Firefighters Local 3809. Director Millward made a motion to approve the consent agenda with corrections;

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

Absent: None

OLD BUSINESS

Station 18 New Truck Room Presentation: Chief Walder reported that the District is ready to move forward with the truck room project. Don Mariano of the architect firm Lionakis presented the current plan for the remodel and expansion of Station 18. Site plans and drafted project pictures were displayed to the Board and the public. Mr. Mariano noted that the project had some difficulty to work around the cell tower as well as the elevation changes on the property. The station will be adding between 3600-3700 square feet. Fire sprinklers and fire alarms will be added into the existing and the new footprint. The building will have a brick facade, ADA compliant, extra landscape drainage, a working truck room along with full laundry and storage space. Costs are \$2.2 million to complete both phases. The build alone is \$1.3 million before the added costs. Chief Walder added that crews may need to be displaced for up to two nights for the installation of the fire sprinkler system. Captain Devin Fuller and Engineer Joey Vincent expressed concern to the Board for emergency vehicles exiting on Magnolia. Chief Walder noted that a signal light may be possible, but he feels the proposed project is a good compromise moving forward for the truck room and firefighter safety issues of the current station configuration. Mr. Mariano reported that after appointment the project will go out to bid for three months. The earliest the project would start would be in June. Chief Walder inquired of the board whether the issue was ready for action. Director Mullin asked that the issue return next month for additional discussion and possible action.

NEW BUSINESS

None

INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION

<u>Travel Time Response Maps</u>: Chief Walder discussed the GIS work he had presented last month to report the travel time on the response maps. Additional work was plotted with 2018 data that reported Station 18 had a majority of their calls in town. Station 20 had sporadic call volume mostly for wildland incidents. Station 19 runs north on most responses, while Station 15 has a cluster of calls directly near the station. Station 16 is shown as not staffed in the data, although part of 2018 it was staffed due to the Station 15 construction. If all stations were not staffed the District would have to rely on auto aid and the Eastern part of the District would be difficult to cover. Chief Walder noted that this is just data for the Board's consideration at this time. All maps are accessible on the District's server.

<u>Placer County Fire Service Issues</u>: Chief Walder recommends discussion on the latest developments in Placer County Fire Service delivery system and consolidation efforts countywide. The CRA discussion occurred at the Western Placer Chiefs meeting with county wide data from all responses being reviewed to look at what the draw down looks like. Operations Chiefs are working on data to bring to the Chiefs that create a draw down plan. The five dispatch centers in the County leads to confusion and the closest resource sometimes are not utilized. Placer County Chiefs may review how they respond to large scale incidents and the way the Operational Area Coordinator is utilized.

<u>Correspondence:</u> A thank you letter from Country House Residence directed to Chief Ritter and staff for their hard work every day. A monthly statement for the month of August from PARS Trust reflecting the recent earnings to the OPEB account.

Chief's Report:

- EMS Chain of Survival recognition held by SSV at Station 17 for Capt. Stephens, Eng. Bailey, Eng. Garside, and Apprentice FF Blake for a field save cardiac arrest. The patient and his adult son gave bystander CPR and were both present at the presentation.
- The financial audit took place on Sept. 19 & 20 and went well. We should have the final audit in November.
- Attended the PSPS conference calls twice a day for the past week.
- Loomis Eggplant Festival was held on the 5th as well as the Pancake Breakfast. The association received \$471 after costs. This money is accounted for in a fundraising account and will be spent on items that benefit the firefighters and District.
- Truck 17 assisted the Loomis Chamber with aerial pictures of the festival.
- Strategical Planning Goal Steward Teams-Team of Professionals met on Sept. 15th. Fiscal Responsibility team was cancelled for September but will meet on October 25th with SCI in attendance to present information on a tax measure and alternative funding possibilities.
- Sept. 21st was Day with A Deputy. Would like to thank Engineer Jon Crull for organizing with the on-duty crew and Intern Firefighters.
- Sept. 21st and 22nd Engine 15 went to Bayside Adventure to assist with the First Responder Weekend.
- Hosted the Sierra Sacramento Arson Task Force.
- Sexual Harassment training for Board members has been assigned via Target solutions. The District has two months to be in compliance.
- Water Tender 17 has a new turbo and is back in service.
- Fire Marshall Candidate scheduled for Medical and Psych Evaluations, anticipated start date of Nov. 9th.
- Three Firefighter Paramedics will be going to Psych Evaluations hopefully with a start date in November.
- Closed session meeting cancelled but will have info ready for the Board on the 13th of November. Board committee meets on November 14th with SAFF 522. Negotiations for all other employees will be scheduled in November as well.

<u>Board/Staff Comments</u>: Director Kelley thanked the crews for assistance in taking the downtown Loomis pictures from Truck 17.

Future Agenda Items: None

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 7:56 p.m. The next regular meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 13, 2019.

Respectfully submitted,

Recording Secretary, Kathy Medeiros

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