

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

PLACER HILLS FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
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MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING; July 5, 2012

1. Call to order; Flag salute; Roll call:

Director Hills convened the regular meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Directors in attendance: Fulfer, Hills, Johnson, Lofrano and Tresidder

Staff in attendance: Chief Gow, Business Manager Lofrano, Capt. Nelson, Engineer Garside, and FF Thompson.

Guests: Mr. Hoffecker, Mr. & Mrs. Lawson, Mr. McCray, Scoutmaster and 3 scouts.

2. Agenda approval:

Agenda approved as posted. (Lofrano/Tresidder).

3. Approval of the minutes:

The minutes of the regular meeting on June 6, 2012 were approved as written. (Tresidder/Lofrano).

4. Public Comment:

Mr. George Hoffecker wants to establish a bank account to assist the fire district. Over 2,000 people voted in favor of Measure E and he is hoping that they will make donations. It may also have a balloon effect. He is willing to promote the fund and contact everyone in the district. This will be discussed by the Finance Committee and direction will be given to Mr. Hoffecker at the next regular meeting.

Mrs. Stephanie Campbell-Stuart would like to chair an ad-hoc committee to explore grant funding opportunities. This will be an item on next month's agenda.

5. Correspondence (not covered in Agenda items below): None

6. Information items:

a. *Fire Chief Ian Gow's report*

- Normal call volume for time of year. Weather predictions are for an active fire season. Structures are being lost in the Redding fire. Possibility of many strike teams.
- Chief Gow, Supervisor Montgomery and Chief Harris, CalFire are scheduled to meet with the Governor or his representative to discuss the Cal Fire fee and augmentation monies.
- Chief Gow, Office Manager Lofrano, Kirk Sullivan and Niall Gow assisted 10 elderly and disabled homeowners with their defensible space clearing.
- A local scout wants to make station signs for his eagle project. He is putting together drawings and a cost analysis.
- Placer County is raising questions about the cost of dispatch. The district has free dispatch in lieu of Proposition 172 monies.

- Chief Gow is working with Dr. Owens, the district's medical director, the Drug Enforcement Agency and Sutter Auburn Faith Hospital regarding the re-stocking of narcotics.

7. Discussion and Action Items:

- Gary Johnson's oath of office:*
Director Hills administered Gary Johnson's oath of office.
- Resolution No. 2012-02; Collection of charges on the tax roll:*
Motion made and approved unanimously to adopt Resolution No. 2012-002 requesting Placer County to collect the district's assessments on the tax roll. (Lofrano/Fulfer).
- Resolution No. 2012-03 directing the County to put \$45,000 from the sale of the Freightliner engine into the reserve account for future Capital Asset Acquisitions:*
Motion made and approved unanimously to adopt Resolution No. 2012-003 as written. (Johnson/Fulfer).
- Adoption of the Preliminary Budget for Fiscal Year 2012-2013:*
Director Hills reported that for the Preliminary Budget, monies were put back into the appropriate accounts that have been shorted over the past few years. However, it does not include the \$100,000 needed to fully fund the vacant full-time positions. Chief Gow and staff will be looking at potential cost savings through salary reductions, reduction of overtime and browning out of stations for the next Finance Committee meeting. The Committee will come back next month with more changes and options for the final budget. Motion made and approved unanimously to adopt the Preliminary Budget for Fiscal Year 2012-13 as presented. (Lofrano/Tresidder). Some discussion then followed regarding appropriate reserves for the district.
- Winchester Loan payment:*
No report.
- S-SV EMS Agency; Ambulance response times:*
AMR had a couple of extended responses into Meadow Vista.
- Approval of the expenses of \$110,981.24 for June 2012:*
Not all of the expenses for fiscal year 2011-2012 have been posted. Motion made and approved by all to accept the expenses as presented for June 2012. (Fulfer/Tresidder). The County's final figures for fiscal year 2011-2012 will be available in the next couple of months.

8. Directors' comments:

- Report on activities of interest to the District which the Director is engaged in or is considering. No action will be taken on these items at this meeting.*
Director Lofrano was heartened by the public show of support for the fire district.
- Request items for inclusion in subsequent meetings, or request a special meeting:*
Director Lofrano requested a Closed Session to discuss the Memorandum of Understanding with PHFSEA (Local 3800).
Agenda items for next month:

- Mr. Hoffecker's proposal to open a bank account for public donations to assist the district.
- Ms. Stuart's request to form an ad hoc committee to explore funding opportunities through grants.

c. *Reminder of next Board meeting:*

Next regular Board meeting: Wednesday August 1, 2012 at 7 pm. at St. 84.

9. Adjournment:

Motion made and approved by all to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 p.m. (Lofrano/Tresidder)

Respectfully submitted by: 
Gill Lofrano, Office Manager

Approved by:

Kelly Fulfer _____

Peter Hills 

Gary Johnson 

Fred Lofrano 

Bret Tresidder 