



Foresthill Fire Protection District

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Foresthill Fire Protection District
Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting
Thursday, September 12, 2024
District Administration Office
24320 Main St., Foresthill, CA 95631

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER:

- a. Meeting called to order at 6:05pm

2. FLAG SALUTE

3. ROLL CALL OF DIRECTORS:

- a. President Hercules, Vice President Michelini, Directors Reams, Simonick and Perry were present.
- b. Chief Martin was present

4. PUBLIC HEARING for the Budget FY 2024/2025:

- a. Vice President Michelini went over the budget, page by page. We do have a reserve contribution this year because we received Strike Team money earlier this year. Asking the Board to allow the Finance committee to contact the Placer County assessor's office to find out why the taxable parcels have been going down. Some highlights- want to have more realistic numbers on Ambulance billings from Wittman, higher amount for payroll, payments falling off for some past financing payoffs make sure line item and justification match, developer mitigation fund, explained inter-departmental transfers. Vice President Michelini made motion to approve the final budget for FY 2024/2025, second by Director Perry, roll call vote, passes 5/0.

5. AGENDA APPROVAL:

- a. Director Michelini made motion to approve agenda pulling item 5 (listed in error), second by Director Simonick, passes 5/0.

6. PUBLIC COMMENT:

- a. Linda Salvador from Lions Club asked about policy on the use of the district training room for other groups to use. Moved on to Discussion item 11b about drafting a policy for non-district use of our meeting room. Vice President Michelini went over the proposed policy asking for input from the board members. Asked that we check into our insurance information for coverage, technologies that may be needed like extra alarms, temperature control that can be done remotely. Will try to present this at the October board meeting as an action item with modifications.

7. Chief Martin presented a service award to Business Manager Patrice Metz for her 10 years of service to the district

8. CONSENT ITEMS:

- a. Motion made by Vice President Michelini to approve consent items; minutes of August 08, 2024 regular Board of Directors meeting, September 04, 2024 special closed session Board meeting, noting we have no financial reports from Placer County. second by Director Simonick, passes 5/0.

9. FIRE CHIEF REPORT:

District Information

- We were fully staffed for the Month of August.

Staffing

- 1 Captain vacancy – Captains test is completed.
- 1 Firefighter/Paramedic vacancy. Conditional finished his mini background and medical should start October 2.
- Firefighter/Paramedic application process is continually open
- Posting Engineer testing flyer tomorrow for 45 days out.

Incident Responses

- Total calls for service for the month of August – 86
- Last year at this time – 65
- 63 of them were EMS
- Ambulance Transport – 47

Training

- 124 hours for the month of August
- Numbers are down due to vacations and sick calls and mandatory overtime

Community Risk Reduction

- August Inspections 13 – (2 LPG Rough, 2 LPG Final, 1 Sprinkler Final, 6 Hazardous Vegetation/Defensible Space Inspections and 2 State Mandated inspections)
- Tour/Inspection of the Monarch Mine Vineyard

Community Interactions

- Heritage Festival attended by crews on duty

Fleet

- Radio issues with the Command Vehicle
- Type 3 Remount and the Type 6 are moving forward (all extras have been approved and still within budget)
- M-88 is at Woodland Ford for transmission repairs

10. ACTION ITEMS:

- a. Budget adopted during Public Hearing
- b. Ratification of the Fire Chief Contract, motion made by Director Simonick to approve and ratify the contract, second by Director Perry, roll call, passes 5/0.

11. DISCUSSION ITEM:

- a. Update on measure D. President Hercules passed out a flyer with the ballot resolution, arguments both for and against with rebuttals on each, suggesting putting it in the

Messenger. Working with the Union rep to get on schedule with the mailer, flyer, yard signs. This is a board driven initiative. Board members can only do community outreach. Possibly meet with our local community groups.

- b. District meeting room policy discussed in Public Comment.
- c. Regarding the prerequisite for part time employee firefighter endorsement instead of an ambulance driver certificate. After looking at Lexipol policies and discussion with the Fire chief, it's decided for liability reasons any part time employee must have an ambulance driver certificate to drive one of our ambulances

12. REPORTS

- a. Finance Committee- meeting on Sept 18, 2024 about a parcel exemption from Measure B request and look at Monthly reports. Send letter to the Placer County assessor's office regarding to reconcile the tax roll lists.
- b. Long Range Planning-Not met
- c. Assets and Facilities- President Hercules still working on Porter garage issues. Volunteers working on getting the yard cleaned.
- d. Directors Report- President Hercules working on evaluating our technology and configuration, how we keep records, billing to Wittman, how we work our district business, station computers. Vice President Michelini responded to a Facebook post with a community member maligning the district about a recent emergency call and how we are working on the issue. Question asked about the PCWA cameras.

13. NON-AFFILIATED ORGANIZATION REPORTS:

- a. Foresthill Volunteer Firefighter's Association-Garage sale net revenue approx. \$22,000.00. Asked about the gate at Porter and Fence at S90 to be fixed.
- b. Foresthill & Iowa Hill Fire Safe Council Report- None

14. CORRESPONDENCE:

- a. None

15. OLD BUSINESS:

- a. None

16. CLOSED SESSION

- a. None

17. ADJOURNMENT

- a. Motion to adjourn meeting by Director Simonick, second by Director Perry, meeting adjourned 7:40pm

Respectfully Submitted:



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Administrative Assistant