



Foresthill Fire Protection District

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Foresthill Fire Protection District
Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting
Thursday, July 10, 2025
District Administration Office
24320 Main St., Foresthill, CA 95631

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER:

- a. Meeting called to order by President Hercules at 6:00 p.m.

2. FLAG SALUTE- Led by Director Drone

3. ROLL CALL OF DIRECTORS:

- a. All directors were present except Director Perry (illness).
- b. Chief Martin was present.

4. AGENDA APPROVAL:

- a. VP Michelini made a motion to amend the agenda by moving the closed session to occur after agenda approval. All other agenda items remain as published. Director Drone seconds the motion. Motion carries (4/0).

5. CLOSED SESSION:

- a. President Hercules adjourned the open session at 6:04 p.m.
- b. President Hercules re-convened open session at 6:22 p.m.
- c. VP Michelini provided the following report re: Labor Negotiations:
 - i. The board voted to approve the following enhancements to the current memorandum of understanding with Local 3800:
 - 1. 6% total wage increase. 3% July 1, 2025, 3% January 1, 2026.
 - 2. Tiered healthcare allowance based on marital status and dependents being covered.
 - ii. Acceptance of the new terms is subject to approval by L3800.
- d. VP Michelini provided the following report re: Personnel hiring action for Assistant Fire Chief and Acting Fire Chief
 - i. The board approved offering the position of Assistant Fire Chief to Dean Martin. This is a part time, at-will position which has been budgeted for.
 - ii. The board approved the Position Requirements, Scheduling and Compensation for "Acting Fire Chief".

6. PUBLIC COMMENT:

- a. None

7. CONSENT ITEMS:

- a. VP Michelini moved to approve all consent items as presented. Director Reams seconds the motion. Motion carries (4/0).

8. FIRE CHIEF REPORT:

District Information

Staffing

- We currently have one Firefighter Paramedic vacancy.
- Firefighter/Paramedic application process is continually open, and we are actively recruiting.

Incident Responses

- Total calls for service for the month of June – 77
- Last year at this time – 85
- 54 of the 77 calls were EMS
- Ambulance Transports for June of 2025 – 51

Training

- 24 hours for the month of June.
- Monthly Training with the JOA is on-going.

Community Risk Reduction

- June Inspections - 11 (1 LPG Rough, 4 Defensible Space, 1 Plan Check and 5 State Mandated Inspections). Approximately 90% completed with our State Mandated Inspections.

Community Interactions

- Western States Training Run went well.
- Western States Run – No need for EMS or transports.

Fleet

- Type 3 Remount – Is still back in quarters and in service.
- Brush 88 is back in service.
- OES Type 6 will be returned to OES.

9. ACTION ITEMS:

- a. Approve Resolution 2025-07 To Renew and Adjust Fees for Ambulance Transportation Program.

- i. VP Michelin Reporting:

1. The Foresthill Fire Protection District, as a component of its emergency service delivery model, operates advanced life support ambulances. The ambulance transportation program was merged into the Fire District from the Foresthill Safety Club in 2004. As a fee for service cost recovery program, the ambulance transportation program is expected to fully recover the marginal costs associated with and directly attributed to ambulance transportation. To achieve cost recovery, the Fire District charges for ambulance transportation. The fee structure established for the ambulance program is based on actual cost recovery of supplies, equipment, personnel, insurance, training, and fuel. The proposed fee adjustment will increase annual ambulance revenue by an estimated \$12,000.00 per year, according to an internal audit. Annual revenue from ambulances is roughly \$587,570.00. Annual costs associated with the ambulance program exceed \$836,575.00. The proposed ambulance fee adjustment will not result in excess revenue attributed to the program and

the program will continue to rely on General Fund contributions for a significant majority of the program costs.

- ii. VP Michelini made a motion to adopt Resolution #2025-07 as presented. Director Drone seconds the motion. Motion carries unanimously via roll call vote (4/0).
- b. Review and approve facility plans for Station 90, back retaining wall and apron
 - i. Director Reams presented the following report:

Summary: We have 3 bids. They are very different in price from \$5000 to \$44,882. The pressure on wall pushes outward substantially. The \$44,882 appears to be the strongest because the base is wider. The bid from Korpela Masonry is 25,050. It also pours a concrete base with rebar but not as substantial. We have to decide if we want to plan for the long run or not. The Korpela bid would be sufficient, but not the best.
 - ii. VP Michelini made a motion to approve authorizing the Fire Chief to award the contract to the lowest bid from a qualified contractor, not to exceed \$25,050 for the repair/replacement of the back retaining wall at station 90. Director Reams seconds the motion. Motion carries unanimously via roll call vote (4/0).
- c. Review and approve facility plans for Porter Garage.
 - i. President Hercules requested that the district reach out to a competent civil engineer to provide a report covering the structural condition of the Porter Garage. The district previously paid \$1200 to an engineer for which no report was ever provided. President Hercules will turn over trying to recover the district's money to our attorney.
 - ii. President Hercules reported the following:
 1. The district has now shifted from making necessary "emergency repairs" to structurally changing/enhancing the building.
 - iii. VP Michelini reported that he is not in favor of spending a lot of money on the building if it will only buy a year or two of time before something more major has to be dealt with.
 - iv. President Hercules asked Director Reams to contact Elwell and relay tonight's discussion to him.
 - v. No action was taken by the board on this item.

10. DISCUSSION ITEMS:

- a. None

11. REPORTS

- a. Finance Committee-
 - i. VP Michelini reporting:
 1. The district's worker's compensation premium increased for this FY by \$30k.
- b. Strategic and Long-Range Planning-
 - i. VP Michelini reporting:
 1. President Hercules and VP Michelini have been attending the 2x2 directors' meetings. There has been good discussion between the districts.

- c. Assets and Facilities-
 - i. This was covered in action item 9. c.
- d. Directors Report-
 - i. None

12. NON-AFFILIATED ORGANIZATION REPORTS:

- a. Foresthill Volunteer Firefighters Association-
 - i. None
- b. Foresthill & Iowa Hill Fire Safe Council Report-
 - i. None

13. CORRESPONDENCE:

- a. None

14. OLD BUSINESS:

- a. None

15. CLOSED SESSION

- a. None

16. ADJOURNMENT

- a. Meeting adjourned by President Hercules at 7:07p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Patrice Metz

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