



Foresthill Fire Protection District

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FIRE CHIEF

Minutes of **Regular** Board of Directors Meeting

Thursday, November 9, 2017

Foresthill Fire Protection District Administration Office

24320 Main St.

Foresthill, CA 95631

Video: <https://vimeo.com/242339481>

President Chris Reams called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Directors in Attendance: Chris Reams, Kevin Greene, Richard Arthur and Tyler Harkness.

Directors Absent: Walter Reed

Staff in Attendance: Chief Kushen and Secretary Metz.

Approval of Agenda:

VP Greene made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Director Arthur seconds the motion.

Motion carries.

Approval of previous Meeting Minutes:

- VP Greene made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 12th regular meeting. Director Harkness seconds the motion. Motion carries.

Approval of Financial Report:

- Director Arthur made a motion to approve the October financials as presented. VP Greene seconds the motion. Motion carries.

Fire Chief Operations Report:

Strike team Deployment: 10/9/17 – E90 initial attack Type 1 to McCourtney Fire Nevada County.

10/16/17 – Reassigned to Santa Rosa area.

10/20/17 – Returned.

On 1st out list for deployment until November 13th.

Significant calls: Iowa Hill Fire 10/15/17 – WT89 mutual aid to Cal Fire for veg fire near Big Dipper Rd. 4 hours.

Fire Prevention Week: Activities at Foresthill Divide School, Forest Charter School and Head Start preschool. Crews did excellent job teaching “Two Ways Out” this year’s theme. Used smoke machine and performed fire attack/TIC search demonstrations. Field activities for the kids included PPE drills and mini progressive hose lays.

Special events: 10/28/17 FACTRAC Fall Fondo Gravel Grinder – 60 Mile Loop Bicycle Ride from Sugarpine Reservoir. Not staffed.

Attorney still reviewing if FFPD Special Events resolution is valid and billing is collectable.

Grants: Foresthill crews travelled to Sac Metro Fire academy to test SCBA systems being considered in regional SCBA grant.

Apparatus: In service. No significant issues.

Facilities: Station 90 electrical issue. Random outlets in center of living area not working / working intermittently. Wiring is nightmare from years of additions. Local electrician, Dirk McDougle, working on it should be repaired by 11/9/17.

Station 88 still needs roof repair (**3rd board meeting since estimates provided.**). Recommend repair at this time (estimated \$250) and replacement later.

Action Items:

1. Board to show support for Chief Kushen in the event of the need to down staff, including the possible closure of a station, if it becomes necessary due to a reduction in staff.
 - a. President Reams reported that there is a statewide paramedic shortage. Currently South Placer Fire District is hiring 10 medics. Eight FFPD medics have applied for the jobs. Even is half leave Foresthill, Chief will have a difficult time staffing 2 stations ALS (Advanced Life Support).
 - b. Director Arthur made a motion to support Chief Kushen in the event of the need to down staff and possibly close one station. VP Greene seconds the motion
 - c. Motion carries.
 - d. President Reams stated that we may need a Special Board Meeting when we know how many medics will be leaving.
2. Grant Permission to President Reams to Write a Letter to Placer County Requesting Immediate Funding Aid for Foresthill Fire.
 - a. President Reams has written 2 letters to the Foresthill Messenger about our current predicament and to try and push the County to help us.
 - b. Director Harkness would like to review any letter President Reams writes to the County prior to it being sent on behalf of the Board. If he has any significant objections, a special meeting will be called.
 - c. Director Arthur made a motion to allow President Reams to prepare a letter to Placer County requesting immediate funding aid for FFPD. Director Harkness seconds the motion.
 - d. Motion carries.

3. Grant permission to President Reams to continue working with the County Committee to look for both short and long term solutions to solve Foresthill Fire's funding issues.
 - a. Director Arthur made a motion to allow President Reams to continue working with the County committee. VP Greene seconds the motion.
 - b. Motion carries.

Discussion Items: None

Reports:

1. Finance Committee (Reams/Greene)
 - a. None
2. Bureau of Reclamation Funding:
 - a. None
3. Long Range Plan Committee
 - a. None
4. Consolidation Process
 - a. None
5. Firefighter's Association:
 - a. Holiday dinner is Saturday, December 2nd at the Memorial Hall. Cocktails at 5:00 pm., dinner served at 6:00 p.m.
6. Foresthill & Iowa Hill Fire Safe Council Report:
 - a. None
7. Director's Reports:
 - a. None

Correspondence:

- None

Old Business:

- None

Public Comment:

- None

Meeting adjourned by President Reams at 6:39 p.m.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING: THURSDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2017 6:00 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted:



Patrice Metz, Board Secretary