



## **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

### **Foresthill Fire Protection District**

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**FIRE CHIEF**

Foresthill Fire Protection District  
Minutes of Regular Board of Directors Meeting  
Thursday, January 9, 2020  
District Administration Office  
24320 Main St.  
Foresthill, CA 95631

#### **1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

- a. President Michelini called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

#### **2. FLAG SALUTE**

- a. Director Miller led the Flag Salute.

#### **3. ROLL CALL**

- a. All Directors were present.
- b. Chief Ridley and Chief Matcham were present.

#### **4. AGENDA APPROVAL**

VP Simonick made a motion to adopt the agenda as presented. Director Miller seconds the motion. Motion carries.

#### **5. PUBLIC COMMENT**

- a. Greg Sykora and Richard Sykora both asked the Board how to be considered from an exemption from Measure B. They both feel they have parcels which should be exempted. President Michelini ask both gentlemen to provide their information to Patrice who will place their requests on the next Finance Committee meeting agenda. The Finance Committee will explore the requests, then make a recommendation to the full Board of Directors for action.
- b. Paula Bertoncin spoke briefly to the current proposed water rate increase by the Foresthill Public Utility District. Ms. Bertoncin reported that there is a local citizens group protesting the proposed rate increase.

#### **6. CONSENT ITEMS**

- a. Director Miller made a motion to approve the consent items as presented. Director Reams seconds the motion. Motion carries.

#### **7. FIRE CHIEF'S OPERATIONS REPORT**

##### **Calls for December 2019**

Total: 66

Breakdown:

Chimney Fires: 1	Structure Fires: 1	Vegetation Fires: 0	Animal Rescue: 1
Medical Aids: 42	Public Assist: 13	Smoke Investigation: 1	False Alarms: 1
Vehicle Accidents: 2	Burn Pile: 1	Other: 3	

Medical Transports: 24 this month. Total transports for the year: 258

EMS is 61.9% of our call volume

##### **District Information**

All three Chiefs have been meeting with their peers. Meetings have also occurred at County Fire Chiefs, Sheriff's Office, Dispatch, Placer Hills FPD, Air Quality, and Cal Fire.

### **New Personnel**

Our search for potential employees has expanded out to 80 miles. We have had no response at the 50 mile distance.

New Administrative Assistant will be on line shortly.

### **Facilities**

Administration Office continues to undergo some office and storage modifications. Minor maintenance and repair issues have taken place or been ordered. A delay has been experienced because of the holidays.

We have upgraded the Wi-Fi Signal in the Administration building.

The new laptop computers have the new Office 365 loaded. The District Manager computer was also upgraded. New printers were ordered for the Stations, to replace the leased ones. They are not yet online.

Waiting to see if we can send documents via a software program vs. faxing them. This issue is being pursued by our EMS Chief. Either way, the Stations will get a new unit.

Station 90 has several minor maintenance issues that are in the process of being addressed.

The Administration building had its roof and gutters cleared by the Station 88 A shift crew.

### **Apparatus**

Engine and Brush 88 have had some issues with air leaks. Repairs are being addressed. We believe the issues are under control.

New Medic Unit, has some equipment mounting to complete. Radios are in and the striping has been completed as of today. We have a few warranty issues to address. The unit was funded at a Special Board meeting on December 30, 2019.

E90, is being scheduled for striping, monitor, warranty issues, and the Train-the-Trainer Program. Vendor out of State in early December at the Factory and the Holiday's.

R90, Cascade Air System is good to go with its current configuration. Confirmed with a Bauer representative.

### **Lexipol**

Meeting between Chief Kushen and myself did not occur. I had some family medical issues to attend to. Rescheduling will be occurring. We have a joint policy part, and I will be ordering a procedures part of their package.

## **8. ACTION ITEMS**

- a. Approve first reading of Ordinance 2020-02 *AN ORDINANCE OF THE FORESTHILL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT REQUIRING THE ABATEMENT OF HAZARDOUS VEGETATION.*
  - i. Chief Matcham read the corresponding staff report aloud. There was open discussion between the board, public and Chief Matcham.
  - ii. Patrice reported that the soonest the ordinance can become effective will be April 1<sup>st</sup>.
  - iii. VP Simonick made a motion to approve the first reading of Ordinance No. 2020-02. Director Miller seconds the motion. Motion carries unanimously via roll call vote.
- b. Approve purchase of Tuff Shed building for PPE storage. Cost: \$5,582.10 to be funded through the Capital Improvement Plan. (4/5 approval required).
  - i. Chief Ridley read the staff report aloud.
  - ii. Questions regarding security and pest control of the proposed shed came up. Chief Ridley stated that we can install cameras relatively inexpensively and we currently already pay for pest control at the Admin. building.
  - iii. Director Miller made a motion to approve the purchase of a Tuff Shed for the storage of PPE. Director Harkness seconds the motion. Motion carries unanimously via roll call vote.

## **9. DISCUSSION ITEMS**

- a. Local Government Agency Public Safety Power Shutoff Resiliency Program.
  - i. Chief Ridley reviewed documentation provided by PG&E.

Investor-owned utilities (IOUs) have significantly increased the use of Public Safety Power Shutoffs (PSPS) on their energized power lines to prevent wildfires during high wind or other severe weather events. As a result, affected areas may be without power for several hours, days, and in some cases, more than a week. To mitigate the impact of utility use of PSPS on public health, safety, and commerce in affected communities, Governor Newsom and the State Legislature included a \$75 million one-time General Fund appropriation in the 2019 Budget Act to support state and local government efforts. This funding is particularly intended to protect public safety, vulnerable populations and individuals, and to improve resiliency in response to utility-led PSPS actions. Funding will be available to support equipment purchases and to improve local preparedness and response to PSPS events.

**10. REPORTS**

- a. Finance Committee
  - i. Mid-year budget review, 1/27/2020. Time: 2:00 p.m.
- b. Labor Relations Committee
  - i. None
- c. Long Range Plan Committee
  - i. Rich Hercules reviewed his report with the board and public.
- d. Director's Reports
  - i. None

**11. NON-AFFILIATED ORGANIZATION REPORTS**

- a. Foresthill Volunteer Firefighters Association
  - i. None
- b. Foresthill/Iowa Hill FSC
  - i. None

**12. CORRESPONDENCE**

- a. Letter dated 12/5/2019 from Placer Hills Fire Board President Hills to President Michelini re: Receipt of Contract Termination.
  - i. President Michelini reported that he will write an acknowledgement letter to President Hills at which time he will request a meeting with PHF committee to discuss the JOA and the continuation of Duty Officer coverage after 2/23/2020.

**13. OLD BUSINESS**

**14. CLOSED SESSION**

- a. None

**15. ADJOURNMENT**

- a. President Michelini adjourned the meeting at 8:12 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:



Patrice Metz, Board Secretary