



Foresthill Fire Protection District

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Minutes of **Special** Board of Directors Meeting
Saturday, December 12, 2015
Foresthill Fire Protection District Administration Office
24320 Main St.
Foresthill, CA 95631

President Chris Reams called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

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

Directors Absent: NONE

Staff in Attendance: Chief Gow and Secretary Metz.

Approval of Agenda: President Reams requested to add a Discussion Item regarding the amount of money to be requested by a tax measure. Director Arthur made a motion to approve the agenda as revised. Director Reed seconds the motion. Motion carries.

Action Items:

1. Commit the FFPD Board of Directors to move forward with the necessary steps to successfully pass a general tax increase within the Foresthill Fire Protection District. This will include participation by ALL Board members and staff.
 - a. General discussion between the board members and the public took place.
 - b. At 10:25 a.m. Director Harkness announced that he could not support a tax measure and left the meeting.
 - c. VP Greene made a motion to commit the FFPD Board to move forward with the necessary steps to successfully pass a general tax increase. Director Arthur seconds the motion.

▪ Reams	AYE
▪ Greene	AYE
▪ Reed	AYE
▪ Harkness	ABSENT
▪ Arthur	AYE

Motion carries.

2. Approve and provide direction to staff on the preparation of an RFP (Request for Proposal) to be sent to potential consultants experienced in handling tax measures for special districts.
 - a. Secretary Metz will compose an RFQ and send to at least 3 consulting firms.
 - b. VP Greene made a motion to allow staff to send out RFQ letters to at least 3 consulting firms with experience managing special district tax initiatives. Director Reed seconds the motion.
 - Reams AYE
 - Greene AYE
 - Reed AYE
 - Harkness ABSENT
 - Arthur AYE

Motion carries.

3. Agree to begin some public education about FFPD challenges prior to the selection of a consultant.
 - a. VP Greene made a motion to allow the board to begin some public education activities prior to the hiring of a consultant. Director Reed seconds the motion.
 - Reams AYE
 - Greene AYE
 - Reed AYE
 - Harkness ABSENT
 - Arthur AYE

Motion carries.

4. Assign a Board member to obtain information available from the Placer County Elections Department pertaining to all registered voters within the Foresthill Fire Protection District.
 - a. Director Arthur nominates VP Greene to obtain the information. Director Reed seconds the motion.
 - Reams AYE
 - Greene AYE
 - Reed AYE
 - Harkness ABSENT
 - Arthur AYE

Motion carries.

5. Assign a Board member to work with the Firefighter's Association to establish the level of assistance (financial and otherwise) the association can/will provide to FFPD for the passing of a tax measure.
 - a. VP Greene made a motion to have Director Arthur work with the Firefighter's Association. Director Reed seconds the motion.
 - Reams AYE
 - Greene AYE
 - Reed AYE
 - Harkness ABSENT
 - Arthur AYE

Motion carries.

6. Assign a Board member to write articles for submission to the local paper(s) at approximately 2 week intervals.
 - a. VP Greene made a motion to scratch this item from the agenda. Director Arthur seconds the motion.

▪ Reams	AYE
▪ Greene	AYE
▪ Reed	AYE
▪ Harkness	ABSENT
▪ Arthur	AYE

Motion carries.

Discussion Items:

1. Begin establishing what a fully funded “thriving” FFPD Budget looks like.
2. How much money shall the taxpayers be asked for?
 - a. Both items were generally discussed by the Board and the audience members.

Meeting adjourned at 11:07 a.m.

NEXT MEETING: THURSDAY, JANUARY 7, 2016
6:00 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted:



Patrice Metz, Board Secretary