

**MINUTES OF MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
LAKE VALLEY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
OF EL DORADO COUNTY
MARCH 12, 2015**

The Board of Directors of the Lake Valley Fire Protection District of El Dorado County met in regular session on March 12, 2015 at the Meyers Firehouse, South Lake Tahoe, California.

ROLL CALL

Director Huber called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. There were present the following Directors: Huber, Rice, Bettencourt, and Herback via Skype. Absent was Director Rossi. Also present were Fire Chief Harris and Lake Valley personnel. Director Huber welcomed Kileigh Labrado as the trainee Administrative Assistant to the Chief.

AGENDA

The Chief advised the Board to remove 8b – Resolution 15-3. A motion was made by Director Bettencourt and seconded by Director Rice to approve the agenda. The motion passed unanimously.

MINUTES

A motion was made by Director Bettencourt and seconded by Director Rice to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of February 12, 2015, with a clerical change being made to correct the date from 2014 to 2015. The motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

COMMUNICATIONS

The Chief presented a letter from a homeowner on the Roof Grant Reimbursement Program, discussed Paramedic./Firefighter Mike Anderson's upcoming Hero Award at the Tahoe Douglas Rotary Dinner, and also reviewed several customer satisfaction surveys.

OLD BUSINESS

A. Update of FEMA Hazardous Wood Roof Replacement Program

The Roof Grant Program received a check for \$325,419 and is continuing to reimburse homeowners. A letter was received from CalEMA pledging that monies will be available in an account for homeowner reimbursement.

B. Plan Review and Inspections

Chief Poell reported to the Board that the County is willing to take over inspections, although field inspections are not done by them at this time. Director Herback went offline at 7:10 pm. Chief Poell is able to work with the County to train them regarding how the District performs inspections. Director Herback came back online at 7:11 pm. A discussion occurred regarding the 50% rule versus the 3600 square foot rule as well as residential versus commercial inspections.

Director Bettencourt made a motion that was seconded by Director Rice to rescind the motion made on December 14, 2014 by Director Rossi which moved plan reviews and inspections to the County Building Department, thus removing the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

A new motion was made by Director Bettencourt and seconded by Director Rice to send all residential plan review and sprinkler inspections to El Dorado County and for Lake Valley to retain all commercial plan reviews and sprinkler inspections as well as all final residential inspections. The motion passed unanimously.

Discussion on the 50% rule was tabled until a legal opinion could be obtained from Attorney Wright.

A motion was made by Director Rice and seconded by Director Bettencourt stating that if it is the will of the County to go with the 3600 sq. ft. rule rather than the 50% rule, the District will follow suit. The motion passed unanimously.

It is the direction of the Board that the changes be made on April 1st, 2015 or as soon as possible

Amending the fee schedule to the fully burdened rate for commercial plan reviews was also discussed. Director Huber wants this issue on April's agenda. The Board also directed the Chief to make sure that contractors and the general public are aware when the changes are made.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Firefighter's Association

Engineer Jackson had nothing to report.

C. Form 700 – Conflict of Interest

The Board signed and turned in their Form 700 – Conflict of Interest documents.

D. Surplus of 1975 Case 580 B Backhoe/Loader and Eleven (11) King mobile radios

A motion was made by Director Bettencourt and seconded by Director Herback to approve the surplussing of the 1975 Case 580 B Backhoe/Loader and eleven King mobile radios. The motion passed unanimously.

REPORTS

A. Cal Tahoe Emergency Services Operation Authority

Director Bettencourt reported that Wendy David joined the board as a City Council representative. He also discussed the recent communications with El Dorado County and advised that negotiations are still open. He advised that it was good to have the new attorney's guidance at the last meeting. The next meeting will be held on April 13th, 9:00 am, at Lake Valley Station 7.

B. Lake Valley Fire Protection District Reports

The Chief informed the Board that he attended a meeting with Mental Health and public safety agencies regarding a \$950,000 grant that El Dorado County is applying for to assist with mental health and drug treatment services. It is a three year grant based on sustainability.

CLOSED SESSION

A. Closed session pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.

The Board went into closed session at 8:28 pm. The Board resumed open session at 9:07 pm with no reportable action taken.

REVIEW AND APPROVE DISTRICT YEAR TO DATE INCOME AND EXPENSE REPORT

A motion was made by Director Herback and seconded by Director Rice to approve the District year-to-date income and expense report (July 1, 2014 to January 30, 2015). The motion passed unanimously.

APPROVE DISTRICT PAYROLL

A motion was made by Director Bettencourt and seconded by Director Rice to approve the District payroll for pay period 4 for \$127,069.35, and pay period 5 for \$117,016.27. The motion passed unanimously.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

After being reviewed, a motion was made by Director Bettencourt and seconded by Director Rice to approve the bills paid on March 1, 2015 for \$45,986.21 and on March 12, 2015 for 26,026.52. There were no bills for the FEMA Hazardous Wood Roof Replacement Program. The motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

The April meeting will be held on the 16th instead of the 9th.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 pm.

Approved at the meeting of April 16, 2015.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dave Huber
CHAIRPERSON

Robert Bettencourt
SECRETARY

K. Labrado prepared minutes