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Regular Meeting Minutes

Of The Board of Directors

July 12, 2018

1.0 Convene Meeting:

- 1.1 Call to Order: Meeting was called to order by Chairman James Anderson at 1900 hours.
- 1.2 Roll Call: Directors Ladd, Richmond, Gelini, Anderson (Walters Absent) Staff: Chief Rickabaugh, (Laurie Dennis – Absent)

Guests: None

- 1.3 Approve meeting minutes of the Regular Meeting held on June 4, 2018 and Special Meeting held on June 11, 2018. Both approved as written on motion by Director Gelini and second by Director Ladd.
- 1.4 Considerations of Additions to the Agenda: None
- 2.0 Public Comment: None
- 3.0 Public Hearing: None
- 4.0 **Directors Reports**: Director Anderson reported on recent LAFCO committee meetings regarding the consolidation study of Central and Aptos/La Selva Fire Districts.
- 5.0 **Staff Report**: Chief Rickabaugh will be on vacation July 15 31. Division Chief Gray will be the acting chief while the chief is away.

Rickabaugh looked at run report numbers for this year compared to last year. The fire district is about 80 emergency responses less at this point compared to last year. This can be attributed to the winter storm responses in 2016/17.

The Chief included a draft of the final budget for this fiscal year and financial statements for the board to review. The budget looks good the fiscal year.

This year's PERS Unfunded Liability amount is approximately \$1,200.

The Chief reported there have been meetings with the County Director of Information Services regarding the County's radio system and ongoing maintenance. Meetings have gone very well. The Director wants to work with Fire and Law Enforcement to make necessary repairs and replacements to the infrastructure to improve the system for use in the present and for decades to come.

W2350 returned from having repair work completed. The chief has contacted the maker of the water tank for repairs.

6.0 Unfinished Business:

6.1 Staff Compensation: A) Post-Employment benefits, Fire Chief. On a motion by Director Gelini and seconded by Director Richmond, Chief Rickabaugh will be paid a monthly stipend of \$700 for health benefits. The monthly stipend will begin the month following his retirement date and continue until Rickabaugh is 65 years of age. This action does not set a president for future employees and may be terminated by the Board if the Fire District suffers a significant financial crisis and is unable to continue this stipend. Motion passed with a unanimous vote.
B) Paid Firefighter wage and benefits: Director Richmond stated he has not met with Director Walters yet. This item will be carried over to the next meeting.

7.0 New Business

- 7.1 2016 Grand Jury Report. Response required. The Board received a letter from the current Grand Jury as a follow up to the 2014 Grand Jury report regarding the sale of the lot on El Solyo Heights Drive. Findings F15 and F16 and Recommendation R2 applied to Felton Fire District. After discussion, the Board directed the Chief to respond to the Grand Jury on behalf of the Board as follows: AGREE with F15 and F16. For R2, HAS BEEN IMPLEMENTED with a comment stating we are working on converting our policies from paper to digital format to upload to the web site. Once complete, this will be noted at a Board meeting.
- 8.0 Approve paid vendor claims for the month of June 2018: Board members reviewed the vendor claims in the amount of \$48,636.37. Chief pointed out the cost of EMT school is now over \$2,000. It is important to continue encouraging our fire fighters to become EMT's. Cabrillo College does not currently offer the class. DeFib This in Santa Cruz is our only local option. Claims were approved as presented on motion by Director Ladd, seconded by Director Richmond and passed.

9.0 Closed Session: None

- 10.0 **Set date for the next meeting**: The next Regular Meeting will be held on Monday, August 6, 2018 at 7:00 P.M.
- 11.0 Adjourn: Chairman Anderson adjourned the meeting at 1947 hours.

James Anderson, Chairman

Attest: Laurie Dennis, Secretary