

FELTON FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

131 Kirby Street, Felton CA 95018 831 335-4422

Regular Meeting Minutes

Of The Board of Directors

November 19, 2019

1.0 Convene Meeting:

- 1.1 Call to Order: Meeting was called to order by Chairman Dave Ladd at 7:04 p.m.
- 1.2 Pledge of Allegiance
- 1.3 Roll Call: Directors R. Gelini, J. Anderson, D. Walters, D. Ladd

Staff: Chief Gray, L. Dennis

Absent: S. Richmond- arrived at 7:09 p.m. (with prior notice)

Guests: Ian Jones

- 1.4 Approve meeting minutes of the Regular Meeting held on October 07, 2019.
 Approved as written on motion by Director Walters and second by Director Gelini and passed.
- 1.5 Considerations of Additions to the Agenda: None
- 2.0 Public Comment: None
- 3.0 Public Hearing: None
- **4.0 Directors Reports**: Director Anderson reported that he attended the Cal-LAFCO convention 2 weeks ago. There was an informative presentation by El Dorado County regarding consolidations and districts becoming insolvent. There will be no LAFCO meeting in December. He expects a proposal for consolidation from Central and Aptos sometime around April 2020.
- 5.0 Staff Report: Chief Gray reported the recruitment efforts resulted in 17 applicants, 13 of which were interviewed and 6 passed successfully and are in backgrounds. There was some discussion regarding requesting 20 hours a month of volunteer time from them. Director Richmond expressed concern regarding FLSA and the time commitments being asked. Chief Gray stated that this is still in the planning stages and will be run past the labor attorney.

Director Richmond asked about the conversation with Verizon related to the problems we experienced during the power outages. Discussion followed. Chief Gray stated that FirstNet through AT&T didn't fail. He is currently looking into switching our cellular service

to them. He is also looking into having one of the landlines be through AT&T to avoid total telephone outages with Comcast during power outage.

The generator ran great both power outage times. Our fuel tank enables to run about 8 days based on our usage.

Chief Gray stated that the holiday dinner is planned for Friday, December 6th. Lengthy discussion followed regarding holding it at an offsite location vs at the station. Board members expressed concerns regarding liability issues and behavior. The Chief will continue researching solutions.

A discussion regarding parking and traffic obstruction concerns at the Felton Music Hall caused by the large buses of the performers.

6.0 Unfinished Business:

6.1 PERS retirement and healthcare benefits contract review (update)

Chief stated that he has emailed the attorneys office and Patty Eyres for a status update or any determination, but has not received a response from either.

6.2 Volunteer Shift Program: Update on sleeping trailer lease.

Chief Gray stated that the County doesn't require much for the trailer as it's mobile. Once the contract is signed, the company will discuss purchase price with us. Any payments we make can be applied toward the purchase price. Director Walters made a motion to move forward with the contract to lease. The motion was seconded by Director Gelini and passed unanimously.

7.0 New Business:

7.1 Suggested Security Upgrades: Discuss Facility Security, Cyber Security, Asset Tracking, Data Management and Security Cameras.

Chief Gray introduced Ian Jones who is handling this project. Ian provided updated pricing information which included pricing for the equipment the Auxiliary has agreed to purchase. He explained the purpose and means of securing the building, and of specific areas of the building, from the general public. Chairperson Ladd asked if we shouldn't obtain 3 bids for comparison. Chief Gray explained that there is not a Company / system that provides all the functions and capabilities inclusively as this does. There was additional lengthy discussion, questions and answers regarding functionality. Director Walters made a motion to fund the proposed

upgraded WiFi and surveillance system. The motion was seconded by Director Anderson. Director Gelini voted no, the motion passed by the remaining Directors voting for the motion and it passed.

7.2 Radio Replacement 3-year Plan: Review replacement plan and discussion.

lan Jones provided additional information regarding the replacement plan for the radios over the next 3 years. He displayed a demo of the radio. A lengthy discussion followed regarding the future of our County, other Counties and the future of radio systems. Chief explained the plan to also assign radios to personnel for accountability purposes. Chairperson Ladd expressed concern over this concept, thinking tracking might be more problematic. Director Walters suggested personnel sign an agreement regarding the gear and equipment that they are responsible for.

8.0 Approve paid vendor claims for the month of October 2019: Board members reviewed the vendor claims in the amount of \$44,691.29. Claims were approved as presented on motion by Director Richmond, seconded by Director Gelini and passed.

9.0 Closed Session:

9.1 Fire Chief 6-month review

Chairman Ladd opened the closed session at 8:22 p.m. and ended the session at 8:50 p.m.

10.0 Reconvene Meeting:

The meeting was reconvened at 8:50. Chairman Ladd reported the board members completed the Fire Chief's 6-month review. All board members were agreeable to the increase provisioned per his contract, which will be effective 11/04/19.

11.0 Set date for the next meeting: The next Regular Meeting will be held on Monday, December 02, 2019 at 7:00 P.M.

12.0 Adjourn. Chairman Ladd adjourned the meeting at 9:10 p.m.

Dave Ladd, Chairman Attest: Laurie Dennis, Secretary