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**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
ON JUNE 10, 2015**

Date: Wednesday, June 10, 2015
Time: 7:00 p.m.
Location: Long Valley Fire Station, 3605 Crowley Lake Drive, Crowley Lake

Members Present: Brown, Day, Rutkowski, and Shaw
Members Absent: Beveridge
Others Present: Chief Maniaci (arrived at 7:15 p.m.), Secretary/Administrative Assistant Grossblatt

1. Call to order, roll call, and announcements. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Commissioner Brown indicated that he has several updates/corrections for the District's website.
2. Opportunity for public to address the Board on non-agendized items. None.
3. Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957, the Board convened in closed session to consider personnel evaluations of the Fire Chief and Secretary to the Board / Administrative Assistant. The Board entered into closed session at 7:06 p.m.
4. Announcement of any action taken by the Board in closed session. The Board reconvened in regular session at 7:20 p.m. and announced that personnel evaluations of the Chief and Secretary/Administrative Assistant were discussed and that final evaluations would be given during closed session at the July 8, 2015 meeting.
5. Approval of the minutes of the May 13, 2015 regular meeting. A MOTION WAS MADE BY BROWN, SECONDED BY DAY, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MAY 13, 2015 REGULAR MEETING. MOTION PASSED 4-0.

6. Chief's Report.

A. Volunteer Report. No volunteers were present at the meeting. Chief Maniaci mentioned that the weekly trainings continue to be effective. He also mentioned that a recent training involved a live burn exercise.

B. Report on Current Fire Department Activities, Assignments and Schedule for potential Board direction.

C. Long Range Planning Discussion.

(a) Personnel. Two volunteers are no longer with the District; however, two previous volunteers are coming back for the summer.

(b) Airport. Nothing to report.

(c) Geothermal. Chief Maniaci mentioned that he recently became aware that the geothermal plant's fire suppression system was inoperable. He believes this is the reason why they have been postponing an on-site training exercise. He was going to consult with the District's attorney to consider the next steps, which may include "red tagging" or shutting down the plant until repairs to the fire suppression system are made. An update will be provided at the July meeting.

(d) Maintenance. Several electrical repairs have been made to one of the rescue vehicles.

Chief Maniaci mentioned that there have been seven calls since the last meeting. Three of the calls were for vehicle roll overs (one of them occurred two hours before tonight's meeting) and the remaining four calls were for medical aides.

7. Secretary to the Board/Administrative Assistant Report. No report.

8. Discuss ERAF. No current updates. Carry over to the next agenda.

9. Review monthly financial reports and budget. Make changes to budget as necessary. A check in the amount of \$11,500 was received from the Fire Chief's Association and deposited into the District's account. These monies were allocated to various operational and equipment line items. Secretary Grossblatt mentioned that he was able to lower the District's propane cost with Amerigas from \$3.15 per gallon to \$2.40 per gallon for the upcoming 2015/16 fiscal year. In response to a question from Commissioner Brown, Chief Maniaci and Secretary Grossblatt estimated the remaining expenditures for the current fiscal year were roughly \$20,000.

10. Public Hearing regarding adoption of the 2015/16 fiscal year budget. Commissioner Shaw opened the public hearing regarding adoption of the 2015/16 fiscal year budget. No members of the public were present to provide comments on the proposed budget. The Board subsequently entered into final discussions on the 2015/16 fiscal year budget. Secretary Grossblatt mentioned that he updated the proposed budget to reflect a transfer of \$45,027 from the operating account to the capital account for the payoff of the rescue vehicle. He also mentioned that the final AB 8 property tax revenue numbers from Mono County were estimated to be \$295,300. Commissioner Shaw closed the public hearing regarding adoption of the 2015/16 fiscal year budget. A MOTION WAS MADE BY DAY, SECONDED BY RUTKOWSKI, TO APPROVE THE (JULY 1, 2015 THRU JUNE 30, 2016) 2015/16 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET IN THE AMOUNT OF \$295,300. MOTION PASSED 4-0.

11. Acceptance of the final "Financial Audit" report for FY ending on June 30, 2014. Secretary Grossblatt presented the final "Financial Audit" report for the fiscal year ending on June 30, 2014. The District was in compliance with all provisions of the audit. No action by the Board was necessary regarding this agenda item.

12. Benton Crossing Landfill agreement with Mono County. All involved parties have reviewed and provided comments to be incorporated into the final agreement. Chief Maniaci mentioned that the Mono County Board of Supervisors forwarded the proposed agreement back to County Counsel for a final review (once again). Additional language was added to the agreement regarding all liability being shifted to the District once a response was initiated. Secretary Grossblatt mentioned that this could be a problem under a scenario where the County's negligence could cause property damage and/or personal injury and recommended that the District's attorney look into this issue before we approve the agreement. Carryover to the next agenda.

13. Discussion of filling Commissioner Beveridge's vacated term in office. Secretary Grossblatt indicated that there is no legal requirement to advertise for the filling of Commissioner Beveridge's seat on the Board. Rather, it is at the discretion of the Board to determine the process of filling any vacated seat per the County Clerk's office. He indicated that there are perhaps two individuals from the prior interview process that may still be interested. After further discussion, it was decided to go down the list of candidates in order of preference to gauge interest in filling out Commissioner Beveridge's seat. Carry over to the next agenda.

14. Review correspondence received since the last regular meeting. None.

15. New Business. Chief Maniaci provided a brief update on the upcoming 4th of July events at Crowley Lake.

16. Call for Agenda Items for Next Regular Meeting. ERAF; Benton Crossing Landfill; personnel reviews; filling of Commissioner Beveridge's seat.

17. Adjournment. A motion was approved to adjourn the meeting and reconvene in regular session on July 8, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. at the Long Valley Fire Station, 3605 Crowley Lake Drive, Crowley Lake, California.

Michael Grossblatt
Secretary to the Board