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**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
ON FEBRUARY 10, 2016**

Date: Wednesday, February 10, 2016
Time: 7:00 p.m.
Location: Long Valley Fire Station, 3605 Crowley Lake Drive, Crowley Lake

Members Present: Beveridge, Brown, Day, and Rutkowski
Members Absent: Shaw
Others Present: Chief Maniaci; Secretary/Administrative Assistant Grossblatt

1. Call to order, roll call, and announcements. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. There were no announcements.
2. Opportunity for public to address the Board on non-agendized items. No public.
3. Approval of the minutes of the January 13, 2016 regular meeting. A MOTION WAS MADE BY RUTKOWSKI, SECONDED BY BEVERIDGE, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 13, 2016 REGULAR MEETING. MOTION PASSED 4-0.
4. Chief's Report.
 - A. Volunteer Report. Chief Maniaci mentioned that the volunteers are preparing for the fishing opener activities. The election of officers was recently held by the volunteer association. EMR re-certifications are in progress.
 - B. Report on Current Fire Department Activities, Assignments and Schedule for potential Board direction.

There were a total of 7 calls since the last meeting. Three of the calls were for medical responses. One call was for a dropped power line. One call was for an animal rescue in the Sherwin ponds. Two calls were for vehicle incidents on US 395.

Chief Maniaci mentioned that one of the departmental AED units will be put out of service and a new device needs to be purchased. After a brief discussion, the Board encouraged the Chief to immediately purchase a new AED unit.

- C. Long Range Planning Discussion.
 - (a) Personnel. We will be losing Mimi McDonald this coming spring.
 - (b) Airport. A public airport workshop was held on the proposed new terminal.
 - (c) Geothermal. No update.
 - (d) Maintenance. Routine maintenance continues to be worked on.
- 5. Secretary to the Board/Administrative Assistant Report. Mr. Grossblatt mentioned that Statement of Economic Interest forms need to be filled out at the March meeting. This will occur during his report to the Board.
- 6. Discuss ERAF. Chief Maniaci made contact with Dana Jorgensen who is Senator Berryhill's lead staff person on this issue. Chief Maniaci mentioned that he stressed that the District is only looking for a fix for future ERAF allocations. Carry over to the next agenda.
- 7. Review monthly financial reports and budget. Make changes to budget as necessary. Mr. Grossblatt mentioned that fire mitigation fees in the amount of \$979 came into the capital account. We currently have \$654,812 in our operating account as of today. Approximately 57% of our annual budget remains unspent with roughly 40% of the current fiscal year remaining.
- 8. Discussion and possible awarding of a bid for a water tender. This agenda item was waived and moved to agenda item number 10 on tonight's agenda.
- 9. EMS Update/possible discussion. The Board of Supervisors will meet in March to discuss this issue. There are no additional updates on this issue. Carry over to the next agenda.
- 10. Discussion and adoption of Resolution R16-01 authorizing the Long Valley Fire Protection District to join the National Joint Powers Alliance. Chief Maniaci explained that Burton's Fire recommended this JPA with respect to our desire to purchase a water tender. Specifically, the advantage of joining the NJPA would be to eliminate the RFP and bidding process; thus saving the District time and effort in the procurement. While this would not necessarily be a cheaper way to purchase a water tender, it would be a more efficient process. It is important to note that there is no cost or obligation with respect to

joining the NJPA and utilizing their services; in essence it is a “free service.” Chief Maniaci noted that the Mono County Public Works Department is a member and has utilized their services. Finally, Chief Maniaci indicated that we could utilize their services to procure additional capital items other than a water tender. After additional discussion on this agenda item; THE PROPOSED RESOLUTION WAS READ INTO THE RECORD AND FOLLOWED BY A MOTION MADE BY RUTKOWSKI, SECONDED BY DAY, TO APPROVE RESOLUTION R16-01 AUTHORIZING THE LONG VALLEY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT TO JOIN THE NATIONAL JOINT POWERS ALLIANCE. In further discussion, Commissioner Brown emphasized that the Resolution R16-01 specifically stated that there was no cost or obligation to utilize any services provided by the NJPA. MOTION PASSED 4-0.

11. Discussion regarding the possible repeal of the 1994 MOU between the Long Valley Fire Protection District and the Town of Mammoth Lakes regarding the Mammoth-Yosemite Airport; follow-up discussion regarding the development of a new MOU. Chief Maniaci provided some background on this issue. Basically, the original 1994 MOU is outdated and irrelevant to what is currently going on at the Mammoth-Yosemite airport. In addition, there were two addendums to the original agreement that would be vacated as well. Chief Maniaci indicated that the Town was in agreement in vacating the existing MOU and addendums. Everyone agreed that a new MOU agreement would be worthwhile to develop that was more relevant to today’s issues such as the future airport terminal expansion and fire protection service provided by the District. It was agreed that the District’s attorney should have the opportunity to provide input on this agenda item before the March meeting. Carry over to the next agenda.

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

13. New Business. None.

14. Call for Agenda Items for Next Regular Meeting. ERAF; EMS Paramedic update/possible discussion; discussion of the possible repeal of the 1994 MOU regarding the Mammoth-Yosemite Airport/consideration of a new MOU; discussion of moving forward with the possible purchase of a water tender.

15. Adjournment. A motion was approved to adjourn the meeting and reconvene in regular session on March 9, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. at the Long Valley Fire Station, 3605 Crowley Lake Drive, Crowley Lake, California.

Michael Grossblatt
Secretary to the Board