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**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
ON JUNE 8, 2016**

Date: Wednesday, June 8, 2016
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; Secretary/Administrative Assistant Grossblatt;
Volunteer Brian Jaegers

1. Call to order, roll call, and announcements. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. Opportunity for public to address the Board on non-agendized items. No public.
3. Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957, the Board will hold a conference in closed session to consider personnel evaluations of the Fire Chief and Secretary to the Board/Administrative Assistant. This item was moved to the end of the meeting to accommodate the Volunteer's report.
4. Announcement of any action taken by the Board in closed session. This item was moved to the end of the meeting to accommodate the Volunteer's report. Commissioner Shaw reported at the end of the meeting that final performance reviews will be completed at the July meeting.
5. Approval of the minutes of the May 11, 2016 regular meeting. A MOTION WAS MADE BY RUTKOWSKI, SECONDED BY DAY, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MAY 11, 2016 REGULAR MEETING. MOTION PASSED 4-0.

6. Chief's Report.

A. Volunteer Report. Volunteer Brian Jaegers updated the Board regarding the fishing opener. The volunteer association raised roughly \$4,500 over the course of the weekend opener. He also discussed the recent "swift-water" training exercise.

B. Report on Current Fire Department Activities, Assignments and Schedule for potential Board direction. There were a total of 14 calls since the last meeting. Four of the calls were for medical responses. One of the medical responses was for an individual suffering from third degree burns after falling into a geothermal hot tub in Little Antelope Valley. Nine calls were related to various vehicle incidents. One call was for a minor kitchen fire. Needless to say, it was a busy month.

C. Long Range Planning Discussion.

- (a) Personnel. We will get some green fees as a gift for Bill Wagner's retirement. We will put a small plaque on 3281 to honor John DePerro.
- (b) Airport. The court injunction was lifted on future expansion projects.
- (c) Geothermal. There will be a joint walk-through on June 23rd.
- (d) Maintenance. Nothing to report.

The cost of the water tender increased slightly (roughly \$4,000) to \$289,650 due to some changes in the final specifications. This adjustment has been reflected in the proposed 2016/17 budget. The paint scheme for the water tender has also been adjusted to match our current rigs.

We are working on staffing issues for the 4th of July fireworks at Crowley Lake.

Progress is being made in retrofitting the new 3200 vehicle. The changes have to do with the emergency lighting and radio equipment.

There is no new information related to acquiring one of the Forest Service's brush trucks.

We re-registered with Systems Awards Management "SAM" with respect to new and existing grant submittals.

There have been some "management issues" at the Crowley Lake Fish Camp which have resulted in increased scrutiny by the LADWP of their leases in the area. This includes the lease for the Fire Station. There was some question as to whether the lease for

the Fire Station was under Mono County or the District (we are going to follow up with Fred Stump on this question).

Questions were raised regarding volunteer use of the trash bin. Chief Maniaci will address this issue once again with the group.

7. Secretary to the Board/Administrative Assistant Report. Mr. Grossblatt informed the Board of the County's request for nominations to the alternate board position on LAFCO. After a brief discussion, Commissioner Shaw volunteered to have her name nominated to this position. The Board subsequently voted to nominate Commissioner Shaw – this nomination will be submitted to the County. The Financial Audit was completed and showed the District in good standing with all compliance and system requirements. We received a dividend check from SCIF in the amount of \$305.00. Finally, we recently upgraded to Quickbooks 2016.

8. Discuss ERAF. Chief Maniaci confirmed that everyone received the e-mail that was forwarded from Berryhill's representative. Basically, our representatives continue to believe that ERAF will be going away in the near future. No additional updates. Carry over to the next agenda.

9. Review monthly financial reports and budget. Make changes to budget as necessary. Mr. Grossblatt reviewed the current financials. Our current operating balance was \$713,280 and this amount includes the 2nd installment of the property tax revenue payment (\$113,393). We have not been charged the property tax administrative fee as of yet. Finally, the budget surplus for the current fiscal year was roughly \$113,000.

10. Public Hearing. Public comments invited regarding adoption of the July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017 budget. Adoption of the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 budget. Commissioner Shaw opened the public hearing. There were no public comments regarding the proposed budget. The public comment period was then closed. The Board briefly discussed the proposed budget. Chief Maniaci reported that line item 211 was increased by \$2,000 to balance out the proposed budget with the updated revenue figure. A MOTION TO APPROVE THE JULY 1, 2016 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2017 BUDGET IN THE AMOUNT OF \$304,074 AS PRESENTED WAS MADE BY BROWN AND SECONDED BY DAY. MOTION PASSED 4-0.

11. Discussion of Sunnyslopes station (CIP item "06B"). No update. Much of this agenda item is dependent on whether the District receives the Forest Service right. Commissioner Brown suggested that if and when a structure is ever built, room for a restroom and storage area should be included in the design. Carry over to the next agenda.

12. 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. The Town has made no significant progress on the new MOU. Hopefully discussions will begin sometime in July. Carry over to the next agenda.
13. Fire mitigation fee review. Chief Maniaci mentioned that he would like to move forward with some requests for proposals regarding a new fee review. Carry over to the next agenda.
14. Emergency Broadcast System discussion. Chief Maniaci will be meeting with Lynda Salcido of the County regarding this issue. It remains in our interest to transfer operational control of the system to the District. Carry over to the next agenda.
15. Review correspondence received since the last regular meeting. None.
16. New Business. None.
17. Call for Agenda Items for Next Regular Meeting. ERAF update; Emergency Broadcast System; Discussion of the possible repeal of the 1994 MOU regarding the Mammoth-Yosemite Airport/consideration of a new MOU; Discussion of Sunnyslopes station (CIP "06-B"); Fire mitigation fee review.
18. Adjournment. A motion was approved to adjourn the meeting and reconvene in regular session on July 13, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. at the Long Valley Fire Station, 3605 Crowley Lake Drive, Crowley Lake, California.

Michael Grossblatt
Administrative Assistant/Secretary to the Board