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MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING FEBRUARY 8, 2017

Date: Wednesday, February 8, 2017
Time: 7:00 p.m.
Location: Long Valley Fire Station, 3605 Crowley Lake Drive, Crowley Lake

Members Present: Beveridge, Brown, Day, Rutkowski and Shaw
Members Absent: None
Others Present: Chief, Vince Maniaci
Others Absent: Secretary, Michael Grossblatt

1. Call to order, roll call, and announcements. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Commissioner Brown asked the Chief to acknowledge on behalf of the Board all the Volunteers for all their efforts over the last six weeks considering the terrible weather conditions in our area. All the Commissioners ask the Chief to acknowledge County workers, SCE workers, etc. for their efforts also.

2. Opportunity for public to address the Board on non-agendized items. No public was in attendance.

3. Approval of the minutes of the January 11, 2017 regular meeting. A MOTION WAS MADE BY BROWN, SECONDED BY RUTKOWSKI TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 11, 2017 REGULAR MEETING. MOTION PASSED 3-0, WITH 1 ABSTENTION.

4. Chief's Report.

A. Volunteer Report. No volunteer was present.

B. Report on Current Fire Department Activities, Assignments and Schedule for potential Board direction. Chief Maniaci indicated there were 14 calls since meeting in January. They include 2 fires, 7 medical assists regarding traffic accidents, 4 public assists, and 1 call related to the avalanche in Long Valley. Chief notified the board that we have received payment for the Owens Fire of approximately \$11,000.00 and for the Rock Creek Fire of approximately \$7500.00.

Long Range Planning Discussion.

- (a) Personnel. Chris Baitx is doing pretty well and keeping up with his fire dept. duties. Fred Stump is also doing ok with recuperation from hip surgery.
- (b) Airport. Considering all the weather issues in the area, the airport is open for now.
- (c) Geothermal. No report. Commissioner Brown gave the Chief a newspaper article regarding the geothermal plant that he thought would be of interest.
- (d) Station Maintenance. A leak has developed from the roof into the meeting room. Weather permitting, the volunteers will shovel the roof tomorrow evening. The flag pole needs to be repaired, so the flag will not be flying until that is completed.
- (e) Vehicle Maintenance. Maintenance logs continue to be worked on to bring them up to date.

5. Secretary to the Board/Administrative Assistant Report. Commissioner Shaw advised that the financial reports that have been brought up to date through the January 11, 2017 meeting and that she hopes to have completed the reports up to the March meeting by next month. Commissioner Shaw suggested that the Department set up automatic payments through the Department credit card for the SCE and Direct TV payments because of payments not being received in a timely fashion due to mail not being picked up out of Bridgeport during extreme weather conditions and road closures.

6. Discuss ERAF. Chief Maniaci has emailed both Dana Jorgenson and Brent Finkle for updates on ERAF but has not received a response to date. Carry over to the next agenda.

7. Review monthly financial reports and budget. Make changes to budget as necessary. In Michael Grossblatt's absence, Commissioner Shaw updated the Board on expenditures and deposits from the December tax revenue and other miscellaneous sources.

9. 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 is still waiting for Grady at the Town to respond. Carryover to next agenda.

10. Fire mitigation fee review. Chief Maniaci is going to check with company that did our last update as well as the company that did the Town of Mammoth Lakes update as to the cost for our department to do an update. Carryover to next agenda.

11. Review correspondence received since the last regular meeting. None received.
12. New Business. Discuss the anticipated arrival of the new water tender which is expected to arrive at Burton Fire in early March.
13. Call for Agenda Items for Next Regular Meeting. ERAF update; Discussion of the possible repeal of the 1994 MOU regarding the Mammoth-Yosemite Airport/consideration of a new MOU; Fire mitigation fee review; Discussion re: New Water Tender.
14. Adjournment. A motion was approved to adjourn the meeting and reconvene in regular session on March 8, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. at the Long Valley Fire Station, 3605 Crowley Lake Drive, Crowley Lake, California.

Sharon Shaw

Board Chairperson in absence of Administrative Assistant/Secretary to the Board