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MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING October 11, 2017

Date: Wednesday, October 11, 2017
Time: 7:00 p.m.
Location: Long Valley Fire Station, 3605 Crowley Lake Drive, Crowley Lake

Members Present: Tom Beveridge, Hank Brown, Ron Day, and Sharon Shaw
Members Absent: John Rutkowski
Others Present: Training Officer, Joseph Santos
Others Absent: Chief, Vince Maniaci; Secretary, Shawna Pettigrew

1. Call to order, roll call, and announcements. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Commissioner Day requested a moment of silence for Jim Pettigrew who passed away suddenly on October 7th. A moment of silence in his honor followed.
2. Opportunity for public to address the Board on non agenized items. No public present.
3. Approval of the minutes of the September 13, 2017 regular meeting. A MOTION WAS MADE BY BROWN, SECONDED BY DAY TO APPROVE THE MINUTES AS PRESENTED OF THE SEPTEMBER 13, 2017 REGULAR BOARD MEETING. MOTION PASSED 3 in favor with one abstention.
4. Chief's Report. Presented by Joseph Santos in the absence of Chief Maniaci.

A. Volunteer's Report. Joseph Santos also reported on behalf of the volunteers. The volunteers thank Commissioner Shaw for getting the Length of Service Award statistics resolved and for the individual letters showing years of service earned. The County officials were impressed by our recent triage training and have asked our department to be in charge of a county wide training in the future.

B. Report on Current Fire Department Activities, Assignments and Schedule for potential Board direction. There were 6 calls since the September meeting for a total of 112 calls YTD. There was a trash truck fire where Chief Maniaci learned that it is the policy of the trash company to dump their load in the event of a fire. Chief Maniaci has asked that

they change their policy since dumping a load could easily start a brush fire which would be much more devastating than the loss of a trash truck. No news on ERAF.

- A. Long Range Planning Discussion.
 - (a) Personnel. Commissioner Shaw asked Joseph to relay to Carlene Millan how nice the station is looking since she started doing the cleaning.
 - (b) Airport. Air service begins again the 2nd week of December.
 - (c) Geothermal. No News.
 - (d) Station Maintenance. Sheriff's Command Vehicle Electrical and rigger pads are installed. Thanks to Commissioner Day for the donation of his time to accomplish this task as well as the repair to the building siding.
 - (e) Vehicle and Equipment Maintenance. 3200 had a low battery. May need to be replaced. 3232 Engine Mount issue is still not repaired. Regular maintenance is being done.
- 5. Board Review/Approval of Payment Warrants since last meeting. Commissioner Brown requested that prior to the next purchase of flags that we check on pricing at a company in Sparks, NV. Board members reviewed the payment/payroll warrants. Commissioner Brown moved for approval, Commissioner Day seconded. Passed 4-0.
- 6. Secretary to the Board. Secretary absent due to the loss of her husband Jim Pettigrew.
- 7. 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. No News. Joseph Santos indicated that Chief Maniaci recommends a letter from the Board requesting Grady Dutton the Director of Public Works for the Town attend our November meeting. Commissioner Shaw will draft a letter. Carryover to next agenda.
- 8. Fire mitigation fee review. No News. Carryover to next agenda.
- 9. Review of existing agreement between Fire Dept. and Sheriff's Dept. Carryover to next meeting so Chief Maniaci can look for the hold harmless agreement that currently exists.
- 10. Review current Long Valley Fire District volunteer stipend and potentially adjust. Joseph Santos reported that the last change in the stipend occurred June 2015 and that Mammoth Fire has a tiered stipend of \$26.00 for Captains, \$24.00 for Engineers, and \$18.00 for Firefighters. Following some discussion and a request by Training Officer Santos to have only one stipend amount, Commissioner Beveridge made a motion to increase the stipend to \$18.00 retroactive to November 1, 2016. Seconded by Brown. Passed 4-0.

11. Review Correspondence since Last Regular Meeting. None.
12. Review and adjust current FY budget line items as necessary and accept. The final AB8 shows revenue of \$320,223.00, leaving \$10,223.00 that can be added to the current budget of \$310,000.00. A motion was made by Brown and seconded by Day to add \$3200.00 to line item 220 CSFA for the Length of Service Award overage and \$7023.00 to Firefighter wages to pay for the new stipend. Passed 4-0.
13. New Business. No new business
14. Call for Agenda Items for Next Regular Meeting. MOU with Town of Mammoth Lakes. Mitigation Fee Review. Hold Harmless Agreement with Sheriff's Department.
15. **PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54957, THE BOARD WILL HOLD A CONFERENCE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS A CONFIDENTIAL PERSONNEL MATTER.** Following the closed session, Commissioner Brown stated for the record that the Board is waiting to hear outcome from District Attorney's Office regarding the payment of restitution and/or prosecution.
17. Adjournment. A motion was approved to adjourn the meeting and reconvene in regular session on November 8, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. at the Long Valley Fire Station, 3605 Crowley Lake Drive, Crowley Lake, California.

Commissioner Shaw
In Absence of Secretary to the Board