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MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING February 12th, 2020

Date: Wednesday, February 12th, 2020

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Location: Long Valley Fire Station, 3605 Crowley Lake Drive, Crowley Lake

Members Present: Hank Brown, Tom Beveridge, Ron Day, Sharon Shaw, Kim Czeschin

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Chief Maniaci, Secretary Katie Durgin, Volunteer Scott McGuire,

Training Officer Tyler Haakana

Others Absent: None

- 1. <u>Call to order, roll call, and announcements</u>. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Training Officer Tyler Haakana announced he will be leaving Long Valley Fire Protection District and is moving to Idaho.
- 2. Opportunity for public to address the Board on non agendized items. No public present.
- 3. Approval of the Minutes of the January 8thth, 2019 regular meeting. A MOTION WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER BROWN, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER DAY TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 8TH, 2019 REGULAR MEETING. MOTION PASSED 5-0.

4. Chief's Report.

A. <u>Volunteer's Report</u>. Volunteer Scott McGuire reported with the current roster there are 31 firefighters including four junior firefighters. There are three Captains and three Chiefs. There are four new volunteers since the beginning of the year. Scott McGuire and Secretary Katie Durgin are going to work together to create a master roster database that will include volunteer start and end dates. Volunteers Don Maddox and Jim Bold are leaving the department. There have been four trainings since last regular meeting. The trainings were on ladders and medical, structure fire with a live burn, engineering, and drafting. Scott McGuire reported on one of the fire calls since last regular meeting being a vegetation fire at Wild Willies. Two individuals had set a series of fires to stay warm in order to find their way back to the road. One of the individuals was eventually treated at the Mammoth Hospital

for hypothermia. The firefighters found 50 different fires in the area that the two individuals were in.

B. Report on Current Fire Department Activities, Assignments and Schedule for potential Board direction. 8 calls since January meeting: 2 vegetation fires; 1 structure fire; 3 traffic collisions; 1 flipped big rig; 1 medical aid.

C. Long Range Planning Discussion.

- (a) <u>Personnel</u>. Chief Maniaci reported that he decided not to attend a meeting held by the Captains and Chiefs where they discussed who will be replacing Training Officer Tyler Haakana. Chief Maniaci requested that they make a recommendation to him on who would be best suitable.
- (b) Airport. No news.
- (c) <u>Geothermal</u>. Chief Maniaci was requested to write up a formal statement on the fire department protocol for an emergency response at the geothermal plant. Long Valley Fire Protection District and Mammoth Fire have officially been invited for a geothermal walk-through.
- (d) <u>Station Maintenance</u>. No news.
- (e) Vehicle and Equipment Maintenance. Chief Maniaci reported everything for vehicle and equipment maintenance logs is going well. Equipment Maintenance Manager Billy Czeschin has everything caught up. All vehicles are up to date on tires and servicing except 3270. Rigo will be doing vehicle bits and will space them out so that we are not doing them all at once. Chief Maniaci met with the Fleet Manager for the Town of Mammoth whom Rigo works for. The Town of Mammoth will potentially be sending Rigo to a firefighter mechanic pump class for further training.
- (f) MOU between Town of Mammoth Lakes and Long Valley Fire Protection District. No news.
- (g) Review and possible approval of hold harmless agreement between the Fire Dept. and Sheriff's Dept. No news.
- 5. <u>Board Review/Approval of Payment Warrants since last meeting</u>. Board members reviewed the payment/payroll warrants. Commissioner Brown moved for approval pending review on the two Cummins invoices, Commissioner Day seconded. Passed 5-0.
- 6. Secretary to the Board Report. Secretary Durgin reported that we sent a supplemental insurance payment of \$1,199 to the National Union Fire Insurance Company of Pittsberg, PA/Volunteer Firemen's Insurance Services (VFIS). This payment was supposed to be sent to Brian Jaegers. Secretary Durgin is working with Brian Jaegers to receive a refund check from VFIS. Secretary Durgin will follow up at our next regular

meeting regarding the refund check. There have been a few changes to our tax wire forms 941 and DE88 as requested by our Mono County primary contact Joanne Werthwein. Joanne also requested that we include the account number on future deposit slips.

- 7. <u>Fire mitigation fee review</u>. Chief Maniaci requested information from the Board including the final costs on the fire station addition and the diesel extraction unit. Commissioner Brown provided the final cost of the fire station addition. Chief Maniaci will provide this information to Scott Thorpe to finalize the draft. Carry over.
- 8. <u>Update on Education Revenue Augmentation Fund (ERAF)</u>. No news.
- 9. <u>Letter regarding changes to Defensible Space Wood Waste Program</u>. The letter was presented at the meeting. Commissioner Shaw noted she made a few changes to the last paragraph of the letter. A motion was made by Commissioner Brown, seconded by Commissioner Day to adopt the letter as revised by Commissioner Shaw and mail to the appropriate people of the county. Motion passed 5-0.
- 10. Review correspondence received since the last regular meeting. Chief Maniaci reported that he redid the occupational survey for Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA). Regarding the addressing issue with the property in Sunny Slopes, Chief Maniaci reported they are going to officially address the property.
- 11. Review and adjust current FY budget line items as necessary and accept. Secretary Durgin noted on the budget that we did receive Second Quarter Interest in account 320 in the amount of \$1,586.10. We received Second Quarter Interest in account 321 in the amount of \$164.06. The actual balance in account 320 does reflect all warrants since last regular meeting. Chief Maniaci noted the larger expenses that he anticipates for the remainder of the current fiscal year include radios, pagers, and turnouts.
- 12. New Business. Chief Maniaci reported that Long Valley Fire Protection District was requested to review and provide comments by April 23rd, 2020, on the Mono County Draft Safety Element of 2020. The Insurance Services Office (ISO) did our insurance rating prior to receiving 3281 and 3232. Chief Maniaci is going to contact ISO to see if our rate would change with those two apparatus additions.
- 13. <u>Call for Agenda items for next regular meeting.</u> Fire Mitigation Fee Review; Update on ERAF; and Status Update on Supplemental Insurance Refund/Cummins Invoices.
- 14. <u>Adjournment</u>. A motion was approved by Commissioner Brown, seconded by Commissioner Beveridge, to adjourn the meeting and reconvene in regular session on March 11th, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. at the Long Valley Fire Station, 3605 Crowley Lake Drive, Crowley Lake, California.

Katie Durgin Secretary to the Board