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MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2007 AT 7:00 P.M.

At the Geyserville Fire Station #1, 20975 Geyserville Avenue, Geyserville

1. OPENING GREETING

- A. Meeting called to order by President Michael Pigoni at 7:00 P.M.
- B. Pledge of Allegiance
- D. Agenda Approval: **A motion was made and seconded (Bosworth/Stewart) to approve the agenda. All ayes.**
- E. Roll Call: Michael Pigoni, Harry Bosworth, Paul Bernier, and Rob Stewart present. Chief Paul Pigoni was also present.

2. PUBLIC DISCUSSION

None.

3. MINUTES

A motion was made and seconded (Stewart/Bosworth) to approve the Minutes of the Board of Directors' Meeting for August 8, 2007. All ayes.

4. FINANCIAL REPORTS

- A. The current financial reports from the County and bookkeeper Jeanne Davis were reviewed. Operating fund expenses for the month ending August 31st were \$80,988.64. Year-to-date expenses were \$170,984.34.
- B. The 2007/2008 Final Budget was reviewed and discussed. **A motion was made and seconded (Bernier/Bosworth) to approve the 2007/2008 Final Budget. All ayes.**
- B. Director Michael Pigoni introduced the resolutions adopting the Proposition 4 appropriation limit for 07/08 and the final budget for the fiscal year 07/08.

GATEWAY TO THE GEYSERS

A motion was made and seconded (Bosworth/Stewart) to approve Resolution 07/08-091203 adopting the Proposition 4 appropriation limit for the fiscal year 2007/2008 and Resolution 07/08-091204 adopting the final budget for the fiscal year 2007/2008. All ayes.

5. CONSENT CALENDAR

Warrants for the month of August were reviewed and approved. **A motion was made and seconded (Bosworth/Bernier) to approve the August warrants. All ayes.**

6. CHIEF'S REPORT

Fire Chief Paul Pigoni reported the following:

- Three guys were out on a strike team. Next month's payroll will be high, but the department will be reimbursed.
- There have been 410 (revised to 411 before the end of the meeting) calls this year to-date, and 80 in the last month.
- Prevention has ongoing inspections and plan reviews.
- The Casino is supposed to have their design drawings ready this week.
- There are 31 regular firefighters, 4 probationary firefighters and 2 firefighters on leave. The Department has two new captains: Marshall Turbeville and Chris Colgan.
- The Department is currently purchasing equipment with grant money.
- The Department is involved in Casino meetings. The County is also currently negotiating an agreement with the casino to provide annual inspections and plan reviews.
- The paid guys are working out a new work schedule consisting of four 10-hour days, starting at 6 am, to provide more coverage during the morning.

7. CORRESPONDENCE

There is a CSDA mailer for each Board member.

8. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Director Michael Pigoni opened the discussion of principal payment on the new station. He went over information gathered since last month, detailing the schedule for various principal payment options. A discussion followed of some of the pros and cons of different approaches, including the public's perception of large sums of money in reserves. This led to further discussion of possible demands and changes that may arise in the Department's future. The Board will reflect on the numbers until next month.
- B. Director Robert Stewart announced that Station 1 repairs were supposed to start this week. He will call Wright Contracting to get a better idea of their schedule, and noted that he'd been told the repairs would only take a few weeks once started.
- C. The proposed changes to the FAIRA amendments were reviewed and discussed. **A motion was made and seconded (Bernier/Stewart) to approve Resolution 07/08-091201 approving an amendment (Article 21 Withdrawal) to the Fourth Amended JPA of the FAIRA. All ayes.**

A motion was made and seconded (Stewart/Bernier) to approve Resolution 07/08-091202 approving an amendment (Article 27 Amendment to the Agreement) to the Fourth Amended JPA of the FAIRA. All ayes.

9. NEW BUSINESS

Director Harry Bosworth opened the discussion of the sale of the water company to the community. He explained that he spoke with a representative of LAFCO, who thought that a combined water and fire district may be possible as a utilities district. He also spoke with Karen Gann of Inverness, a water/fire district, who felt the alliance was working.

Bosworth ran over some of the figures (operation costs, profits, etc.) of his water company. A discussion followed of some of the responsibilities involved in the ownership of a water company, including time, training, licensing, policing, etc. Board members questioned what the community wants, and if the Chief would be willing to handle the additional responsibilities. Michael noted that he would be unable to participate in a decision regarding this matter, as a customer of the water company. The Board agreed that Michael Pigoni should seek advice from County Counsel. The Chief will call Harry's contacts for further input.

10. GOOD OF THE ORDER

None.

11. ADJOURNMENT OF THE MEETING

A motion was made and seconded (Stewart/Barnard) to adjourn the meeting at 8:51 P.M. All ayes.

Minutes approved as written- Motion/Second: _____

Clerk of the Board: _____

Date: _____