



# GEYSERVILLE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

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## MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 9, 2008 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 7:03 P.M.
- B. Pledge of Allegiance
- C. Agenda Approval: **A motion was made and seconded (Bosworth/Bernier) to approve the agenda with Item B of New Business moved to immediately follow Public Discussion. All ayes.**
- D. Roll Call: Michael Pigoni, Harry Bosworth, Rob Stewart and Paul Bernier present. Chief Paul Pigoni was also present.

### 2. PUBLIC DISCUSSION

None.

### 9. NEW BUSINESS

B. Debbie Howell of the Alexander Valley Regional Medical Center (AVRMC) gave a presentation on the Center and its services. She reported that she has been working on an emergency preparedness plan for several years, coordinating equipment and services with agencies and departments in the Center's jurisdiction. She wants the community to know what the Center offers, and to understand that the community served by the AVRMC includes all of Geyserville. Michael Pigoni explained to her that Chief Paul Pigoni should be her contact person for any questions and/or planning needs.

### 3. MINUTES

**A motion was made and seconded (Bosworth/Bernier) to approve the Minutes of the Board of Directors' Meeting for December 12, 2007. All ayes.**

**GATEWAY TO THE GEYSERS**

#### 4. FINANCIAL REPORTS

The current financial reports from the County and bookkeeper Jeanne Davis were reviewed. Operating Fund expenses for the month ending December 31<sup>st</sup> were \$74,494.81 and New Station Fund expenses were \$2,782.70. Year-to-date expenses were \$326,136.87.

#### 5. CONSENT CALENDAR

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

#### 6. CHIEF'S REPORT

Fire Chief Paul Pigoni reported the following:

- There have been 19 calls this year to-date, 43 in the last month, and a total of 576 calls last calendar year.
- The Department's Prevention side has ongoing inspections and plan reviews. The Department is updating fire plans and reviewing water sources.
- There are thirty-four regular firefighters, one new probationary firefighter with previous fire experience, and one water tender operator.
- The Department is still in the process of purchasing equipment with grant money. The tank has already been ordered. The Chief placed an order for wildland firefighting gear tonight, and is in the process of buying pagers with money from the Gaming Grant. The Chief noted that the pagers to be purchased with the grant money will have 5-6 tones, which is quicker dispatching system than what the Department currently uses, and is also what the County is switching to.
- The Casino is constantly sending updates on walkways, etc., for the new resort.
- The Chief attended a presentation by Lt. Scott Dunn on the Sheriff's helicopter program. The helicopter program is currently slated for cutbacks and possible elimination. Chief Pigoni asked for the backing of the Board to write a letter in support of the helicopter program. The Board was in favor of a letter of support, which the Chief will write.

#### 7. CORRESPONDENCE

There is a County Fire District meeting at Cattleman's. Michael Pigoni noted that meeting attendance has been low.

#### 8. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Director Rob Stewart explained that no repairs have been done on the new station leaks.
- B. Michael Pigoni reviewed the issue of the lease purchase pay-down, and explained the need to make a decision this month in order to make the February payment. **A motion was made and seconded (Bernier/Stewart) to make the ½ million dollar payment on the station. All ayes.**
- C. Director Michael Pigoni reviewed Captain Joe Stewart's request last month for a resolution to adopt the new fire code. He noted that the District adopts the codes the County uses. A motion

was made and seconded (Stewart/Bernier) to approve Resolution 07/08-0109-001 adopting the fire safety ordinance amendments and the 2007 fire code.

## **9. NEW BUSINESS**

A. It was reported that Fire Chief Paul Pigoni will speak at the Alexander Valley annual meeting.

## **10. GOOD OF THE ORDER**

Fire Chief Paul Pigoni announced that the Annapolis Volunteer Fire Company no longer exists. A short discussion followed on the effects this could have on neighboring departments.

## **11. ADJOURNMENT OF THE MEETING**

**A motion was made and seconded (Stewart/Barnard) to adjourn the meeting at 8:24 P.M. All ayes.**

Minutes approved as written- Motion/Second: \_\_\_\_\_

Clerk of the Board: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_