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MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING WEDNESDAY, JULY 13, 2005 AT 7:00 P.M.

At the Oriental Community Hall #1, 1000 Highway 128, Geyserville

1. OPENING GREETING

- A. Meeting called to order by President Michael Pigoni at 7:00 P.M.
- B. Pledge of Allegiance
- C. Roll Call: Michael Pigoni, Harry Bosworth, Rob Stewart, Tim Barnard and Paul Bernier present. Chief Paul Pigoni in attendance.
- D. Agenda Approval: **A motion was made and seconded (Bosworth/Stewart) to approve the agenda with the presentation by the Capital Campaign consultants moved after Public Discussion. All ayes.**

2. PUBLIC DISCUSSION

No public discussion.

7. PRESENTATION BY CAPITAL CAMPAIGN CONSULTANTS

Bette Perez, of the Associates for Community Solutions, reviewed the Monthly Status Report for June 2005. She noted that \$23,500 in new pledges/gifts was received in June, bringing the Campaign total to \$750,500.

Kathy Goodacre reviewed the consultant work to be completed under the current expired contract. She noted that she and Bette will be available for questions and to assist with events, donor tracking, Campaign wrap-up, and other Campaign related activities.

Ronald Du Preez, the GVFA Treasurer, noted that the Association is no longer able to cash District checks. He asked for help tracking funds generated by the Campaign, pointing out that the Campaign has produced a significant amount of additional work for the treasurer. Ronald asked that the District pay or share the cost of an accountant to assist him with the workload. A discussion followed regarding the work that needs to be continued and completed, including thank you letters, donor tracking, invoices, etc., and the software necessary to accomplish these tasks.

Bette Perez and Kathy Goodacre recommended purchasing a more user friendly software, such as FoxPro, for donor tracking. Chief Paul Pigoni recommended using

something less specific, such as QuickBooks. President Michael Pigoni suggested Ronald research his options for reducing his workload and effectively tracking Campaign funds, then present the Board with a proposal.

Bette Perez presented a proposal to continue working as a consultant for an additional three months. The proposal included setting up and attending donor calls. The Board asked that this be tabled until September, due to the workload of many volunteers in the upcoming months.

3. MINUTES

A motion was made and seconded (Barnard/Stewart) to approve the Minutes of the Board of Directors' Meeting for June 8, 2005. All ayes.

4. FINANCIAL REPORTS

The current financial reports from the County and bookkeeper Jeanne Davis were reviewed. Year-to-date expenses for Fiscal Year 2004/2005 were \$1,807,217.64. Over the past month, Station Fund expenses were \$46,883.68.32 and Operating Fund expenses were \$40,920.47. For the new (current) fiscal year, beginning July 1, 2005, Operating Fund expenses were \$10,476.88 and Station Fund expenses were \$8,439.00

5. CONSENT CALENDAR

- A. Warrants for the month of June were reviewed and approved. **A motion was made and seconded (Stewart/Barnard) to approve the June warrants. All ayes.**
- B. President Michael Pigoni presented the proposed amendment to the Third Amended Joint Powers Agreement of FAIRA. A discussion followed of the proposed changes to FAIRA. **A motion was made and seconded (Bernier/Stewart) to vote no on the Third Amended FAIRA JPA. 4 ayes and 1 nay.**

6. CHIEF'S REPORT

Chief Paul Pigoni reported the following:

- The Department has run fewer calls than last year at this time.
- There are currently twenty eight firefighters and seven probationary firefighters. Chief Pigoni noted that five of the seven probationary firefighters are active, while two of them have marginal attendance.
- New mobile and portable radios have been purchased with the grant money.
- The District was awarded \$72,000 from the Casino Mitigation Fund for the purchase of a vehicle to replace 6142 and two thermal imagers. The vehicle will be purchased from Zumwalt (the lowest bidder), pending approval from the Board. **A motion was made and seconded (Barnard/Bernier) to proceed with the spending of the grant money on the vehicle and imagers. All ayes.**
- Station 1 apparatus are currently kept under cover at Parde's. The station offices are currently in the construction trailer.

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Geyserville Volunteer Firefighters' Association: No report.

B. Truck Committee Report: Ryan Petersen reported that all fire apparatus are in service. Engine 6173 went in for service last month for electrical issues, and Engine 6172 went to Martin's last week for door repairs.

C. New Station 1 Committee: Rob Stewart reported that the new "move in" date is August 30th. He noted that the contractors and architects are disputing delays.

Chief Paul Pigoni mentioned that the Fire Protection District received notice that a lien was filed on the property by the heating and air conditioning subcontractors.

D. Fundraising Committee: No report.

8. CORRESPONDENCE

No correspondence.

9. OLD BUSINESS

No old business.

10. NEW BUSINESS

No new business.

11. GOOD OF THE ORDER

The Geyserville Volunteer Firefighters' Association is hosting the dinner dance on July 23, 2005.

Harry Bosworth asked about the fire department's role in approving new building sites and lot changes. A discussion followed about lot splits and hydrant issues.

Chief Paul Pigoni mentioned that there is an opportunity for the District to improve its insurance ratings, and pointed out the positive PR that could result from an improved rating.

12. ADJOURNMENT OF THE MEETING

A motion was made and seconded (Barnard/Stewart) to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 P.M. All ayes

Minutes approved as written- Motion/Second: _____

Clerk of the Board: _____

Date: _____