



# Minutes

AN ORGANIZATION DEDICATED TO THE DELIVERY OF EXCEPTIONAL FIRE AND LIFE SAFETY SERVICES THROUGH COLLABORATION AND TEAMWORK

## January 27, 2022 at 09:00 Roseville Fire Department TEAMS Virtual Meeting

- Call to order / Flag Salute:** 0900 meeting called to order – Flag Salute
- Agenda/Minutes approval:** January Agenda, November Meeting Minutes move to approve Chief Gow, Second - Chief Ridley, Agenda & Minutes approved.
- Treasurer's Report:** January Treasurer's Report – no changes approved
- Presentation:** Patrick Ellis, PG&E, Public Safety Specialist Supervisor, South Bay Central – AB56 Gas Pipeline Safety for Fire Departments –
- Presented information regarding the AB56 compliance. Will email PowerPoint and additional information to Chiefs.
  - Presented an overview of the San Bruno incident. PG&E is required to provide training to Public Safety agencies as a result of the incident
  - PG&E has gas pipeline training coming out in spring, PG&E is willing to come out to provide training for the Placer County agencies.
  - Contact either Felix Berbenar (916) 639-2038, [FMBB@pge.com](mailto:FMBB@pge.com) or Brent Stangeland [bmsr@pge.com](mailto:bmsr@pge.com) if interested in scheduling training.

### OLD BUSINESS

1. Set/Confirm 2022 Meeting Schedule & Locations – FC Bartee
  - Decision made to move meetings to last Thursday of the month and go with a monthly meeting schedule.
  - Meetings will rotate between different agencies.
  - Hosting agency will provide refreshments, and will be responsible for taking the meeting minutes. Receipts for refreshments should be submitted to Chief Davis for reimbursement.
  - Send meeting month options to Natalie
  - Cal FIRE will host February 24<sup>th</sup> meeting.
2. UASI Funded/Seek Handheld Thermal Imaging Cameras for Placer County – FC Bartee
  - Reviewed spreadsheet for accurate camera counts, and adjusted numbers as needed.
  - Originally planned on Roseville purchasing all camera and distributing to agencies, however this is not going to be possible. Each agency will need to purchase their own cameras, but purchase them all at the same time.

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**Chief Reginald Williams, Secretary**  
Rocklin Fire Department  
4060 Rocklin Road, Rocklin, CA 95677

- Chief Rizzi will be point of contact, reported that there is a form that each agency will need to complete listing the number of cameras needed.
- USAI has requested a point of contact, phone, email for one individual per agency. Chief Rizzi will send out an email to all agencies with information.
- Cost per unit is about \$549, \$34.99 for lanyard, plus sales tax, each unit is approx. \$769 per unit. UASI will be reimburse agencies. Jason will forward an email with exact numbers to agencies.
- Bulk pricing will be honored, same price for all agencies, but agencies will need to purchase them separately.
- Hope to purchase cameras prior to July, 2022.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **1. County-wide Mutual Aid Plan – FC Ridley**

- Board has asked if the Placer Chiefs if there is a Master Mutual Aid Plan for the County beside the CRA? Foresthill currently does not have such a document.
- Chief Gow reported no agreement, that it's always been handled through dispatch. There are mutual aid agreements between specific agencies, but nothing formal through the Placer Chiefs.
- Chief Hudson reported that the intent of the CRA is an overarching major alarm agreement, which includes move up and cover. The new CRA will suffice as a mutual document if needed. However, it is up to the individual agencies to have auto aid agreements with neighboring agencies for the day-to-day operations.
- Chief Barteo – Chief Hudson has distributed the CRA to everyone for review, do we need to send it out again? Suggested scheduling a meeting with the Chiefs to discuss the dispatches issues, auto aid vs. mutual aid, etc.

## **DIVISION REPORTS (brief reports)**

### **1. EMS/Ambulance/SSV, John Poland; Gabe Cruz AMR**

- John Poland, SSV
  - Statewide conference calls have been held with all of the counties – continue to track the percentage of EMS staff and ambulances down due to COVID.
  - Reporting on the statewide call this afternoon, combined Nevada/Placer county averages – three day average 911 transports is a 154 transports per day for last 3 days which is over a 54% increase since last year.
  - Three day daily average for ED patients on hold is around 40 patients. Appears to be stabilizing.
  - Sacramento County temporarily suspended their hospital diversion policy.
  - Sutter Roseville is expected to complete their emergency department room construction by the end of March, will increase emergency beds to 76 beds.
- Gabe Cruz – AMR –
  - Continue to have issues with the current COVID outbreaks. Numerous individuals going out on required quarantines, have hired additional personnel to help with the staffing shortages, and are currently fully staffed.
  - Cases of COVID are continually dropping.
  - Academy starts on 1/31.

### **2. OAC: Chief Spencer – No Report**

- OES Chief Zander
  - Thanked group for the support for the mutual aid system this year.
  - MARS – Mutual Aid Reimbursement System online F42, will speed up the reimbursement turnaround time. The system will probably not roll out until about the middle of the next fire season.

- Reimbursement turnaround time for the last fire season is about 180 day max. If you're approaching the 180 day timeline contact Chief Zander. With the MARS system agencies will be able to login and see where the reimbursements are in the process.
- Strike Team refresher courses will be coming out, not sure at this time if it will virtual or in person.
- Anyone interest in a Type 6 or Type 3 engine, contact Chief Zander. Engine is available to each agency for use in-district and then deployed on strike team incidents when needed.
- iPads will be issued for all OES apparatus, and will be installed during spring inspections.

### 3. Operation/Training: Chief Hudson

- Operations met January, next meeting is scheduled first Tuesday in February.
- Will continue to review SOG, let Chief Hudson know if there is any need for SOG development. Discussed mutual aid agreement quite a bit. Looking for any input from Chief Officers.
- Training – 1<sup>st</sup> quarter plan to push training out to the later part of the first quarter due to COVID. Possible multi-company drill, along with some Chief Officer training.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter training will also be late in the quarter, Cal Fire Placer Co. Fire will host annual chief officer training.
- Action Item – looking at some nominations for one seat on the XPL CICCIS Review for the Op area. Current members are Pat Nelson as the Special District representation / Chair, Cal Fire will continue to be the Cal Fire Training Battalion Chief, Tahoe National Forest representation continues to be Jason Withrow, with representation from Sierra College, and Matt Slusher representing Labor with the chapters within the County. Asked for City representations, Shawn Watkins and BC Rex Tucker would like to be representation on that group, please provide feedback.
- FC Bartee – Discussed countywide Hazmat response and capabilities. Asked the operations group to narrow down the countywide hazmat response resources. Roseville has a Type 1 team ready to respond when needed.
  - Chief Hudson reported that Cal Fire still maintains the Type 2 Central team out of Cal Fire Placer Co. Have had discussions with Nevada County, and they are still considering how they will proceed.

### 4. Fire Prevention: Chief Rizzi

- Dec 16<sup>th</sup> first Countywide Fire Prevention meeting hosted by Placer Co. Fire. Meetings are scheduled quarterly. Discussed Fire Code issues, Knox box, etc. Next meeting scheduled. Good to have the group back together working on countywide issue.
- Chief Bartee- would like to add the Fire Investigation back to Prevention group. Chief Rizzi agreed to adding Fire Investigation piece to the Fire Prevention group meetings. Natalie will add to the agenda as a standing item.

### 5. Sierra College Advisory: Jason Hemler

- 22-1 Academies in progress at the Roseville FTC 32 students started in January Monday, 1/24 started academy at NCC, another 29 students currently enrolled. Hoping for 50 at the end of the academy.
- Sent out fliers for upcoming classes. Company Officer classes starting this spring, will not be cancelling any company officer classes.
- Chief Officer series starting in the fall.
- Recently signed contract with CDCR for Chief and Company officer classes.
- Instructor 1 & 2 classes still moving forward.
- Will send flyers to Natalie for distribution.

6. Communications/CAD: Chief Diemer – no report.

- Met in January getting new individuals involved in the communications group. Solicited input from the smaller agencies, have received feedback, Shawn Fender is leading that effort and scheduling the next meeting.

7. Placer Co. OEM: Dave Atkinson, Assistant Director

- Busy end of 2021 with major storms in the mid to upper parts of the county, thanked everyone for their support.
- Would like to see about putting together an MCIs sometime in 2022. OES could bring a contractor for a large regional scale exercise.
- Continue to work on the Emergency Operations Plan update at OES.
- Rod Rodriguez – Grant Report –
  - Currently have four grants in play. Two are spendable.
  - FY 2019 grant is most critical as it is in the process of closing out, and have not heard anything about an extension. Training funds can be reallocated to equipment, \$50,000 in grant funds remaining.
  - FY 2020 grant is spendable, everyone with projects please spend.
  - FY 2021 still waiting for approval to spend. Approval should be received anytime.
  - FY 2022 have submitted a preliminary list of projects to Cal OES. Approval Authority meeting for 2022 will be scheduled some time early April.
- Local Mitigation Plan – Those still waiting to approve, please do so as soon as possible. Once received at the County, the plans are forwarded to FEMA for final approval. Agencies receive certification from FEMA. Deadline to submit approvals is one year from December.

WORKING ISSUES (Items for discussion, action, and implementation, or to “park” for now) Open forum to discuss issues, solutions, and list future issues for work sessions.

N/A

GOOD OF THE ORDER

Lt. Shayne Wright – PCSO – Looking at the digital license plate readers, digital license plate that takes the place of the normal plates, and could be used for messaging.. Looking at FM mass notification receiver/transmitters for the ultra rural areas. Offered condolences for the recent loss of Chief Corado.

Chief Gow - JOA is still working, getting PERS handled for Penryn FD. Finished three MOUs, finished loan for new station, breaking ground now. Placer Hills has a new heavy duty rescue unit coming. Recent winter storm, ran hundreds of calls during the storm, appreciate all the help from Cal Fire and Placer County.

Chief Duerr – Chief Tony Corado services delayed, should be scheduled in early March. Hiring EMS DC should start at the end of this month. Received approval from the board to go after benefit assessment for the Granite Bay area. Any one in need of N95 masks/shields we have 18,000 masks and a large number of shields and are happy to share.

Chief Williams – Posted hiring for Deputy Chief for Fire Prevention. Hiring one Lateral Firefighter/Paramedic, have only received 35 applications in the last two weeks. Council approved purchases of two Type 3 engines and one Type 5 engine coming through Pierce. Started a lift assist ordinance, the

ordinance passed through Council last Tuesday. Whenever Rocklin responds to a care facility for a lift assist Rocklin will now be able to charge a fee of \$223 for the lift assist calls.

Chief Estes – Thanked PCSO and OES for their assistance during the recent winter storms in the north. Thanked Chief Gow & Chief Ridley, and everyone who assisted. Chief Engen retired on Christmas, with 37 years in the fire service, also had many years with Roseville Fire. New rescue 180 is back in state, should be placed in service by the end of the month. Experiencing significant delays for new apparatus. Will be putting out annual report for Grass Valley ECC, hope to have report ready by March 1<sup>st</sup>.

Chief Ridley – Still short staffed at the paramedic rank. Thanked Cal Fire and cooperating agencies for their assistance during the recent storms. AFG and SAFER grant submission are In the process, but biggest issue continues to be our staffing. Bringing two EMTs for additional staffing.

Chief Bartee – DC of EMS resigned recently, he accepted position with another agency. Will be recruiting for a DC in the next month or so. Have received approval for six Firefighter/Paramedic recruitment in the spring, with academy in September/October. May see flyer going out for two Fire Inspectors going out soon. Busy 2021, call volume went up over 18,000 call this year. Going to Council for approval of the purchase of a new ladder truck. Interested hearing more about Rocklin's lift assist fee as it rolls out.

ADJOURNMENT - Adjourned 10:58

CLOSED SESSION FOR CHIEF OFFICERS