



PENRYN FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

MEETING MINUTES

Chair Hotaling, Vice-Chair Hardesty, Secretary Mahoney, Directors Bergstrom and Neifer

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING: March 21, 2022

- 1. Call the meeting to order and Roll Call:** Vice-Chair Hardesty called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.
Directors in attendance: Dennis Bergstrom, Danielle Hardesty and Randy Neifer.
Directors absent: Cheryl Hotaling and Susan Mahoney.
Staff in attendance: Chief Ian Gow, Fire Marshal Mark D'Ambrogi, District Manager Gillian Lofrano and Battalion Chief John Williamson.
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance:** Vice-Chair Hardesty led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 3. Approval of Agenda:** Director Neifer moved to approve the agenda as posted. Director Bergstrom seconded the motion that was passed by all present.
- 4. Approval of Minutes:** Director Bergstrom amended item 8F of the February minutes: "there have been discussions on interagency cooperation from time to time". Director Bergstrom moved to approve the amended minutes for the regular meeting on February 21, 2022. Director Neifer seconded the motion that was passed by all present.
- 5. Financial Report & Bill Approval:** Chief Gow reported that fuel costs have increased. We purchased 3 thermal imaging cameras for \$1,883 which will be reimbursed through a statewide grant. Vice-Chair Hardesty, Director Mahoney and District Manager Lofrano met with the County regarding the financial reports. The Finance Committee will bring forward some recommendations for the Board's consideration next month. The expenses for the last month were missing from the financial report. Director Neifer moved to approve the financial report which was seconded by Director Bergstrom. The motion was passed by all present.
- 6. Correspondence:** None.
- 7. Public Comment:** Chief Gow thanked Patty Neifer for organizing the presentation of the plaques to the main contributors of the Capital Engine Campaign. Plaques were presented to the United Auburn Indian Community, Motion Pro, Loomis Basin Equestrian Medical Center. The plaque for Penny and Associates still has to be delivered. At the meeting, Chief Gow presented plaques to Captain Gordon and Engineer Hodsdon for the Penryn Firefighters Association and Patty and Randy Neifer. There was also a plaque for Director Mahoney. Patty Neifer thanked Director Hardesty for her part in the campaign.
- 8. Informational/Non-Action Items:**
 - A. Nevada County Professional Firefighters, Local 3800 (Local 3800):** No report.
 - B. Fire Chief Ian Gow's Monthly Report:**
 1. Chief Gow reported that the applicant for the engineer's position is in backgrounds. The investigation process should take about 4 weeks and cost \$1,200.

2. We will have the wall repair bids for next month's meeting. We received a solar bid for \$45,000 with an \$11,000 refund. The station would need a new roof if we put the solar panels on it.
3. 3 volunteers are finishing up their in-house testing.

C. Fire Marshal Mark D'Ambrogio's Monthly Report:

1. Chief D'Ambrogio reported that he inspected 2 single family residences and 1 propane installation. He approved the civil water plans for the Penryn Town homes.
2. Loomis Basin is having a horse fair. Chief D'Ambrogio has created a permit for public assemblies so that we are notified of large gatherings.
3. Chief D'Ambrogio brought up concerns about the Ridge subdivision fuel-break and who will be responsible to manage it.

D. Battalion Chief (s) Reports:

1. Chief Williamson reported there were 43 calls of service last month for a total of 104 for January and February.
2. Purchased a new washing machine for \$780.
3. Engine 38 is back in service.

E. Director Committee Reports

1. **Personnel Committee:** Waiting for the PERS reports.
2. **Administrative Contract & Finance Oversight Committee:** Working with the County to rectify the financial reports.
3. **Ad hoc committee for Future Cooperation with other Fire Departments:** Received the documents from the Upland annexation with San Bernardino Fire.

9. Action Items

A. Nominations for Fire Agencies Self Insurance System (FASIS) Board of Directors:

Motion made by Director Bergstrom and seconded by Director Neifer to nominate Director Mahoney. The motion passed 2-0 with Vice-Chair Hardesty abstaining.

10. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:56 p.m.

Next Board Meeting: Monday, April 18, 2022

Respectfully submitted,



Gillian Lofrano, Recording Secretary