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Board of Directors Meeting August 10, 2022

Minutes:

- 1. The meeting was called to order at 5:05 PM. Present: John Wilkins, Joel Switzer, Beth Gorrill, via Zoom due to Covid, and Fire Chief, Bob Murach
- 2. The July meeting minutes were presented. John moved to approve, Joel seconded and minutes were approved on a vote of 3 ayes, no nays.

3. Action Items:

- A. The warrants were presented. John moved to approve the warrants. Joel seconded. A vote was taken: 3 Ayes, no Nays. Motion passed.
- B. Chief Murach reported that we were awarded a grant from the California Fire Foundation in the Amount of \$10,000. The monies will be deposited in our account 4550125 and using a Budget Adjustment request moved to 505415. These funds will be used to purchase radios from Templeton Fire. Joel moved to accept the grant, John seconded and the motion passed with a vote of 3 Ayes and 0 Nays.
- C. Chief Murach reported that we are eligible for a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety for Extrication Equipment. John motioned to approve and a vote was taken and passed with 3 Ayes and 0 Nays.
- D. The Chief reported that we are also eligible for Off Highway Vehicle funds to support emergency response to trail areas adjacent to town. Beth moved to support the pursuit of the grant. John seconded and a vote was taken and the motion passed with 3 Ayes and 0 Nays.
- 4. Chief's Report: Chief Murach reported that the SAM.Gov issue has finally been resolved which will release funds for the Caldor Incident from 2021.

It will also allow for applications for Rural Fire Protection Grants.

RE: the Fire Safe Council Grant – we were not notified of any funds coming our way.

Chief Murach reported that we were able to close out the books for the past fiscal year under budget.

Volunteer FF Status: we have a new reserve firefighter who is fully qualified for responses. Also, we have a potential new firefighter who is currently in the EMT academy.

The In-House Fire Academy will begin in September for our newest recruits.

5. The meeting was adjourned at 5:55. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, Sept 14 2022 at 5:00 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Beth Gorrill, Board Secretary