

SOUTH PLACER FIRE DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Regular Board Meeting Minutes
March 19, 2008

REGULAR BUSINESS

The South Placer Fire District Board of Directors regular meeting was called to order on Wednesday, March 19, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. by President, Jeff Moss.

Present:

Jeff Moss, President
Mike DeLaurentis, Vice President
Gary Grenfell, Director

Absent:

Craig Powell, Director
Kathy Matthews, Clerk

Staff in Attendance:

Chief Tony Corado
Board Secretary Debbie Frick
Division Chief Bryan Ransdell
Division Chief Eric Walder
Battalion Chief Jason Brooks

Public Comment: Madeline Kilianny stated that she noticed that a Pest Control truck was hooked up to a hydrant and asked if they should be doing that. Chief Corado stated that she should call San Juan Water and report it. At times trucks are allowed to hook up to hydrants but they should have a meter and have to get authorization to do so.

Robert Hughes stated that his home is next to a home where a training burn was conducted a few years ago. He stated that he requested that the training burn not be done and it was done anyway, even though it was a windy day. He stated that there was damage to his property and that he filed a claim but it was turned in too late. He stated that he had over \$16,000 in damages but was going to settle for \$5,000. He said he was only offered \$200. He stated that he would still like to get resolution. He stated that he had cancer and had items analyzed for toxic chemicals and felt that the cancer was a result of the training burn. He indicated that he was not seeking any payment for his cancer, he only wanted to be paid for the damage he said was caused to his property.

Director Moss stated that this item would be discussed later because no action could be taken at this time because it was not on the agenda.

Chief Corado stated that a claim should have been filed and that there was a time limit for filing the claim.

Consent Agenda: Director DeLaurentis made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Seconded by Director Grenfell.

Carried

OLD BUSINESS

Station 16 Notice of Completion: Chief Corado requested authorization to execute the Notice of Completion for the Station 16 Contract. This is required for final acceptance of the project.

Director Grenfell asked if all things had been repaired as requested.

Chief Corado stated that they had and there was also a warranty in place for future items.

Chief Corado stated that a grand opening and dedication ceremony will be held on April 11, 2008.

Director DeLaurentis made a motion to execute the notice of completion. Seconded by Director Grenfell. Carried

Apparatus Replacement Plan Up-date: Chief Corado reviewed the Apparatus Replacement Plan and how the apparatus were rated for replacement.

Director Grenfell asked if OES266 would be replaced.

Chief Corado stated that OES266 was provided by the State therefore, the District didn't have any control over when it would be replaced.

Director Grenfell stated that the District might want to consider an aerial ladder truck, probably not more than 75 foot but that he felt they had a place, especially on some of the larger homes in the area.

Chief Corado stated that a committee was working on a study regarding that.

No action was taken and this item will be brought back at the April board meeting.

Surplus Equipment: Chief Corado explained that with the move from old Station 16 on Douglas to the new Station 16 on Olive Ranch there was some surplus equipment. He explained these items would normally be discarded. He stated that employees will be allowed to bid on these items.

Director DeLaurentis made a motion to surplus the equipment at Station 16 on Douglas. Seconded by Director Grenfell. Carried

Election Services Request: Chief Corado explained that this was standard procedure and prior to each election, the District was required to request election services. He noted that there are four Board of Director positions whose terms will expire. The services will be requested for the November 4, 2008 election.

Director Grenfell made a motion to request election services. Seconded by Director DeLaurentis. Roll Call: Ayes: Grenfell, DeLaurentis, Moss Noes: None Absent: Powell, Matthews

LAFCO: Chief Corado reviewed correspondence from LAFCO that stated they are accepting nominations for the Special District Seat.

Director Grenfell nominated Jeff Moss. Seconded by Director DeLaurenits. Carried

Information and Discussion Items

Committee and Monthly Reports: None

Correspondence: A letter from LAFCO notifying the District of a vacancy on the LAFCO board.

Chief's Report: Chief Corado reported on the following items:

The Rip and Run was activated on 03/18/08. It prints out the dispatch information. The next step is to download the dispatch information into SunPro. The District will also be able to access the dispatch information through web queries in the future.

The MDC program will be ready to be implemented soon.

The staff had training on the Firefighter Bill of Rights.

The Douglas Station 16 is being used by the Sheriff Department for dog training.

Four trucks were surplus through a closed bid process.

Staff is working on the 08/09 budget and will meet next week.

There have been some changes in dealing with controlled substances and Eric Walder and Chief Corado have attended meetings with the DEA. There may be some changes to security. Currently those drugs are changed out at the hospital in the presence of hospital staff. Director Grenfell asked how it was handled at shift changes. Division Chief Walder stated they are checked every morning by the crew going off shift and the crew coming on shift. They have to sign for them and make sure the seals are in tact and that the quantity is there and hasn't been tampered with. The District doesn't have a stock on hand that anyone could get into. The drugs are kept in the ambulance in a double locked box. There may be some new regulations coming down on how the drugs are handled.

There was a significant residential fire in the Wexford subdivision. There were support units from Roseville Fire, Sacramento Metro, Rocklin Fire and Loomis Fire. Battalion Chief Jim Stephens and the crews did a great job.

The succession plan was reviewed. A plan will be developed to groom current employees and recruit future employees for positions that are vacated through future retirements.

Functions: Kiwanis Golf Tournament will be held June 1, 2008.

Board/Staff Comments: Director DeLaurentis asked if there were any plans for the Old Station 16 on Douglas. Chief Corado stated that there are a couple of options that are coming up for the Administrative space. There are no monies in the Mitigation fund to pay an architect. That account needs to rebound before the District can move forward with plans. The site is still an option. He stated that the school district is having discussions regarding closing a school. It may be an opportunity for the District to use it as temporary office space because Station 17 needs to be remodeled and updated. Chief Corado stated that the District lost the opportunity at the Surewest building but it wasn't the direction the District wanted to go at this time. He recommended selling the Douglas Station 16 as is. It will be put on the agenda for discussion.

Director Grenfell asked about the survey stakes out in front of Station 17. Chief Corado stated that it was for the project next to the station but there is no agreement as of yet. The impact to the District would be too great. They need too much of an easement. The District needs a minimum of 50 feet from the garage doors to the sidewalk. In addition, the District has not received a safety report from them and they have requested that the District cost share on the fence between the properties. There are some significant issues and the District is not in agreement with the proposed development.

Future Agenda Items: Apparatus Plan
Station 16 Douglas

Closed Session: Discussion of the meeting with the Chief Officers. No action was taken.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 8:31 pm. The next regular meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 16, 2008.

Respectfully submitted,

Recording Secretary
Debbie Frick