# NORTH CENTRAL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR BOARD MEETING THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2020 5:30 P.M. MINUTES

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## 1. CALL TO ORDER

District Board Chair Mr. Ken Abrahamian called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m.

#### Roll Call

**Board Members Present:** Mrs. Cheryl Belluomini, Mr. Michael Foglio, Ms. Amanda Souza, Mr. Ken Abrahamian and Mr. Rusty Nonini.

Also present were Fire Chief Tim Henry, Mr. Ken Price and Mr. Joe Barcelos.

## 2. INVOCATION

The invocation was led by Pastor Moore.

# 3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments

#### 4. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Consideration and Approval of Disbursements List for September 2020
- B. Review and Acceptance of Monthly Financial Reports
  - 1) Fresno County: Cash Balances All Funds
  - 2) Budget Variance Report: YTD Expenses Compared to Budget
  - 3) Revenue and Reimbursement Report
  - 4) PG&E Report

Mr. Abrahamian asked the District Board and members of the public if there were any items on the Consent Agenda they would like to pull from the agenda for discussion or questions. There were no items pulled so Mr. Abrahamian called for a motion.

**Motion:** To approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Moved by: Ms. Souza, second by Mrs. Belluomini

Mr. Abrahamian: Mrs. Belluomini: Mr. Foglio: Mr. Nonini: Ms. Souza: Vote: Aye Aye Aye Aye Aye 5/0

# 5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

# A) Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of September 24, 2020.

There were no questions or comments.

**Motion:** To approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of September 24, 2020 as presented.

Moved by: Mrs. Belluomini, second by Mr. Foglio.

Mr. Abrahamian: Mrs. Belluomini: Mr. Foglio: Mr. Nonini: Ms. Souza: Vote: Ave Ave 5/0 Aye Ave Ave

## 6. FIRE CHIEF REPORT

# A) Fire Incident/Fire Prevention Reports for September

Chief Henry called the District Board's attention to the September incident report summary and asked if they had any questions. There were no questions or comments.

# B) Fire Season and OES Deployment Update

Chief Henry reported most of the incidents have been contained except on the Creek Fire near Shaver. This past week the District's last engine on a strike team returned from the Creek incident. Currently, for the entire fire season, the District has committed a total of 10,759 staffing hours to OES this summer for all incidents which comes to \$381,738 in overtime costs. The Creek Incident alone was 7,420 of the total hours and around \$267,000 in overtime costs.

Chief Henry stated the District has started the reimbursement process with the State to reimburse the District for the overtime and use of fire apparatus but not all reimbursements have been processed. Chief Henry stated he will provide an update on the reimbursements to the District after all of them have been processed.

# C) SAFER Grant Update

Chief Henry reported he accepted the SAFER grant award with FEMA. He reported the District lost one additional firefighter that went to work for another agency in northern California and another one that is going to be hired in January, both somewhat returning closer to home. Because of the amount of firefighters the District will be hiring, we are going to hold two back-to-back fire academies, probably seven in each fire academy. The first fire academy will begin in January.

# D) Kerman City Council

Chief Henry called the District Board's attention to the Candidate Orientation in their board packet for the City of Kerman candidates running for Mayor and City Council seats. Chief Henry stated he attended this orientation and gave the candidates a briefing on the District.

# 7. RESOLUTION NO. 12-10 AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 20-01 TO MAKE CHANGES TO ESTABLISHED SALARIES AND BENEFITS FOR CURRENT AND **FUTURE EMPLOYEES**

# A) Action item – Consider and adopt Resolution No. 20-10 amending Resolution No. 20-01 to make changes to established salaries and benefits for current and future employees.

Chief Henry stated this is just an amendment to include the Property Maintenance Worker position and an Admin Clerk position for future consideration. As the memo states the Property Maintenance Worker was actually in the budget but until we have a job specification and a resolution we are not able to hire for this position. If approved tonight we will move forward on hiring a Property Maintenance Worker.

After Chief Henry answered a question and there was no more discussion, Mr. Abrahamian called for a motion.

Motion: To adopt Salary and Benefit Resolution No. 20-10.

**Moved by:** Mr. Abrahamian, second by Mrs. Belluomini

Mr. Abrahamian: Mrs. Belluomini: Mr. Foglio: Mr. Nonini: Ms. Souza: Vote: Aye Aye Aye 5/0

# 8. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS/REPORTS

Ms. Souza asked Chief Henry if he could schedule a date to dedicate the plaque made in memory of her father, Rusty Souza. Ms. Souza asked for updates on District employees that have contracted the Coronavirus and Chief Henry updated the District Board.

## 9. ANNOUNCEMENTS

A) Next Regular Board Meeting: Thursday, November 19, 2020 at 5:30 p.m.

#### 10. CLOSED SESSION

A) CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (d) of section 54956.9: (number of cases 1).

There was no closed session.

## 11.ADJOURNMENT

**Motion:** To adjourn the meeting at 5:57 p.m.

**Moved by:** Mr. Abrahamian, second by Mr. Nonini.

Mr. Abrahamian: Mrs. Belluomini: Mr. Foglio: Mr. Nonini: Ms. Souza: Vote: Aye Aye Aye Aye 5/0

These minutes were approved telephonically
Amanda Souza, Board Secretary
North Central Fire Protection District

11/19/2020\_

Date