

Ebbetts Pass Fire District



MINUTES

Board of Directors
December 19, 2023

APPROVED 01/16/2024

1. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 A.M. with additional accommodation for the public through the use of Zoom Meetings. Board President Scott McKinney called the meeting to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Directors present: Jon Dashner
 Scott McKinney
 Pete Neal

Absent: Michael Barr, Denny Clemens

District personnel present: Fire Chief Mike Johnson, Cheryl Howard
 Aaron Downing, Shea Buhler, Glenn Verkerk
 Will Koelzow, Spencer Hickok

Others present via Zoom Meeting: None
Public present: None

2. **PUBLIC APPEARANCES/COMMENT** - None

3. **CONSENT ITEMS**

Mr. Neal made a motion to approve Consent Items 3.1 and 3.2. Mr. Dashner seconded; motion passed 3-0 (AYES: Dashner, McKinney, Neal; ABSENT: Barr, Clemens,).

4. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- 4.1. Finance Committee (Directors Dashner & Barr)

Chief Johnson reported the balance to date in the fiscal year was \$3.3 million but noted there were several upcoming expenditures which included the ambulance with one very close to completion. He reported the ambulance revenue for the month of November was \$75,000.

4.2. Personnel/Safety Committee (Directors Dashner & McKinney)

Chief Johnson reported it had been nice to have Firefighter-Paramedic Kyle Salyer's pinning at the Annual Awards Dinner. He noted that the employee who had been out on injury had recently been released by his doctor back to full-time work. After commenting that the work force was back to full strength, Chief Johnson reported he had received a notice from a paramedic that would be leaving mid-January.

4.3. Fire Prevention Committee (Directors Clemens & Neal)

Chief Johnson noted that Fire Prevention Officer Joan Lark had submitted a count of her unimproved lot inspections for this past year.

4.4. Apparatus/Equipment Committee (Directors McKinney & Neal)

Battalion Chief Aaron Downing reported on the status of the apparatus and planned work on various equipment within the District.

5. Scheduled Items5.1. Election of Board President and Board Secretary

Mr. Neal nominated Mike Barr for Board President. Mr. Dashner seconded; motion passed 3-0 (AYES: Dashner, McKinney, Neal; ABSENT: Barr, Clemens,).

Mr. Dashner nominated Pete Neal for Board Secretary. Mr. Neal seconded; motion passed 3-0 (AYES: Dashner, McKinney, Neal; ABSENT: Barr, Clemens,).

5.2. Appointments to Board Committees

Mr. Dasher made a motion to maintain the current members on the Board committees for the coming calendar year. Mr. Neal seconded; motion passed 3-0 (AYES: Dashner, McKinney, Neal; ABSENT: Barr, Clemens,).

5.3. Nossaman LLP 2024 Billing Rate Increase

Chief Johnson noted the upcoming rates from the legal firm that the District had been using.

5.4. Hoblit Ram Invoice

Chief Johnson reported that the invoice would become payable shortly with the arrival of the ordered chassis for the ambulance buildup at Braun Northwest. Then the second chassis would be driven to Braun for the planned remount probably in April.

5.5. EPFD Policy Review:5.5.1. Policy 6800 Personnel – Physical Medical Exam

Tabled.

5.5.2. Policy 6730 Personnel – Drug and Alcohol Abuse --- Testing Circumstances

Tabled.

6. REPORTS**6.1. Administrative Report**

Chief Johnson reported briefly on the recent memorial service coverage and noted the Awards Dinner had been good.

6.2. Legislative Report

Chief Johnson reported on the State of California predicted budget deficit.

6.3. Administrative - EMS

Chief Johnson reported that the District will be working with Mountain Counties EMS Agency to improve the ambulance mutual aid in to the Murphys Area.

7. COMMENTS, QUESTIONS, CONSIDERATIONS**7.1. Board Members**

Mr. Dashner wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

7.2. Firefighters Association

Glenn Verkerk noted there had been 88 persons served at the Awards Dinner this year.

7.3. Employees' Group

Shea Buhler wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

7.4. Public Comments

None.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Dashner made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Neal seconded; motion passed 3-0. 9:28 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl Howard
District Secretary