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MINUTES JANUARY 18, 2021

1. MEETING CALL TO ORDER:

Present: Biggs, High, Kattuah, Absent: Kinkle, Yarborough

2. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION: None

3. APPROVE MINUTES:

A. November 16, 2020 Regular Meeting: Motion to approve the Minutes as written High.

Second: Biggs

Biggs, High, Kattuah —AYE Absent: Kinkle, Yarborough

Motion carried

4. ACCOUNTING:

A. Finance: it was noted that the most recent accounting sheets from Yuba County Auditor/Controller are for November 2020. The \$4,888.26 miscellaneous income was questioned as to the source. The District is over budget on equipment maintenance and dues and publications—funds to be transferred at a future meeting—possibly from account 6410, as the District did not incur election costs for the November election.

B. Warrants: It was explained that the payment to LN Curtis for Hurst Hydraulics related to extrication tools

5. CHIEF'S REPORT (DC Jim Mathias and BC Rob Bartsch):

A. Waiting for a VMP (Vegetation Management Plan) permit to burn the grass and brush at Station #63, then Dave Labadie of D&L Ag Spraying can come in to spray.

B. Half of the new extrication equipment was received from the grant—when the order is complete, training and a demonstration will be held.

C. Engine #61 is using more coolant than normal—waiting to hear back from the mechanic as to the cause, however he said it's not getting any worse so we can continue to operate the Engine.

D. Status of sale of Engine #63—as requested, local fire departments were notified of the intent to sell, however there has not been any interest, so the District will need to authorize Chief Bartsch to list it for sale online.

E. Chief Mathias stated the COVID-19 vaccine is available for all Cal Fire personnel who want to receive it. There was a COVID issue at Washington Ridge, so for two weeks they are without a hand crew.

F. Chief Mathias is working on updating the logo and asked that this be agendaized for the February meeting.

G. CalFire is working with the Yuba County Sheriff's Office on a written agreement for water rescue response. It was noted that a vehicle will need to be purchased by the District in the future to transport equipment.

H. Chief Bartsch reported there were 42 calls last month: 29 medical aid, 1 vegetation fire, 8 accidents. The remaining calls were false alarms (unable to locate). Amador Contract staffing began December 28, 2020.

I. Chief Bartsch will be meeting with the Chief of Marysville Fire Department to discuss the Auto Aid agreement, especially for the Highway 70 corridor.

6. VOLUNTEER'S REPORT: One volunteer has resigned—per Chief Mathias, it is customary to “plaque the badge” of a long-time volunteer to honor them for their service

7. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT:

- A. Marcia at Crippen & Associates to provide a total of the reserve funds available for equipment purchases
- B. A hard drive was purchased to store documents that are scanned in in an effort to reduce the filing and storage space needed.

8. DISCUSS PURCHASE OF NEW ENGINE (Chief Mathias):

- A. Boise Mobile stated that while it takes approximately five weeks to build a new engine, they are backlogged about a year.
 - 1) A straight CalFire Type III spec engine (Model 34) costs approximately \$297,000 plus tax and delivery, totalling approximately \$330,000
 - 2) A similar engine with a 1,000 GPM pump that is approximately 10 feet longer than the Model 34 would cost approximately \$380,000 total.
 - 3) A Type II engine (metro type), which is bigger with a longer ladder rack, 1,250 GPM pump, and more room for extrication equipment is approximately \$450,000—however it is still in the concept stage and they have not built this model yet.
- B. Chief Mathias reminded the Board that a new engine will be used for the next 20+ years and to consider what the District might look like in that time, in regards to commercial buildings, hydrants, etc.
- C. Chief Bartsch to firm up the estimated costs for an engine to include 4 wheel drive and a 1,000 GPM pump.
- D. Chair Kattuah to contact legal counsel to determine if the District can buy a new engine through CalFire .

9. DISCUSS PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF WATER STORAGE TANK AT STATION #61

- A. Chief Bartsch spoke with BVID, and they are open to the District tapping into the main line, and after any required work has been completed, an appointed representative from the Board can attend a BVID meeting to request waiving of charges/fees for work completed to tap into their line.
- B. Yuba County OES has grant funds available to cover PSPS events that the District might qualify for to install a new water tank.

10. BOARD AND STAFF MEMBERS' REPORTS:

- A. Director Biggs stated December 9TH JPA meeting was canceled due to Governor Newsom's latest mandate regarding public gatherings.

MEETING ADJOURNED 7:52pm

Respectfully submitted
Kim Biggs—Vice Chair