# LOMA RICA/BROWNS VALLEY

# COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT

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# **MINUTES SEPTEMBER 18, 2023**

1. MEETING CALL TO ORDER:

Present: Biggs, High, Kattuah, Kinkle, Yarborough

2. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION: None

#### 3. APPROVE MINUTES:

A. August 21, 2023 Regular Meeting: Motion by Kinkle to Approve the Minutes; Second by High

Biggs, High, Kattuah, Kinkle, Yarborough – AYE

Motion carried

#### 4. ACCOUNTING:

A. Finances: no discussionB. Warrants: no discussion

### 5. CHIEF'S REPORT (BC Justin Hartman):

- A. There were 51 calls in August and 28 month to date in September, including a small vegetation fire on Sicard Flat that the Volunteers brought the Water Tender to assist.
- B. Engine 62 has been rented to the State, for \$38,237 in rental income so far this season.
- C. An application was made for a Bill Shaw Rescue Equipment and Training Grant from the Yuba Water Agency to upgrade radios for the volunteers
- D. The Hogs and Hulas event will be held at Sycamore Ranch this Saturday.
- E. CalFire has not announced any plans yet for down staffing
- F. Chief Hartman is working with Kaci Deiser Design for an informational brochure/mailer to inform residents about the District and non-fire-season staffing provided by CalFire through the Amador Program, paid for by direct assessments.

#### 6. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT:

- A. Ordered new uniform items for the volunteers (as noted last month in the Volunteer's Report)
- B. The Lions Club Chili Cookoff will be held November 4th
- C. The Marysville Christmas Parade is Saturday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>.

## 7. VOLUNTEER'S REPORT:

A. Volunteer Mota reported the donated retired equipment from our District and from Smartsville is on its way to Mexico for use by fire departments there.

# 8. DISCUSS: Forming a Committee to increase Direct Assessments

A. Chair Kattuah and Director High volunteered for the committee to research increasing the District's direct assessments with a cost of living adjustment. They will look into possibly adding community members, scheduling events such as townhall meetings, and also contact legal counsel and the County elections office for instructions on how to proceed.

#### 9. BOARD AND STAFF MEMBER REPORTS:

A. Director Biggs informed the Board the next JPA meeting will be Wednesday, September 27, 2023 at 7pm at the Dobbins Oregon House Volunteer Fire Station.

# **MEETING ADJOURNED 7:53 pm**