# Minutes of the Capay Valley Fire Protection District Commissioners

Monday 09 January 2023

The regular meeting of the Capay Valley Fire Protection District Board of Commissioners was opened and called to order at 6:32 PM by: Board Chair, Judith Redmond

**Board Members Present:** Dawnmarie Eason, Mark Burns, Judith Redmond, Caleb Sehnert arriving late

Absent: Wyatt Cline

Others Present: Michael McDonald Chief/Dist. Secretary: Jesse Capitanio Association Members: Jesse Capitanio

### Motion to approve the September regular meeting minutes:

Motion: Mark Burns

Second: Dawnmarie Eason
Aves: Mark, Dawnmarie, Judith

Navs: None

**Absent:** Caleb, Wyatt **Approved:** Yes

Public Comment: None

**Correspondence:** Letter from Yocha Dehe regarding Chief Ramirez retirement. Freedom of Information Act email request from EBI Consulting.

## **Old Business:**

## 1. Joint Operating Agreement update

No outreach from Madison regarding the JOA. Jesse updated the Board about continuing work on revising personnel policies, training standardization, and revision of Standard Operating Guidelines.

### 2. Benefit Assessment Tax process

Mark reported on meeting with SCI consultant, discussed Board role in determining assessment value each year. Jesse to ask SCI for proposed timeline, and will relay to board Mike asked if the methodology for determining rates is defined by state law, the understanding of the Chief and the Board is that the criteria must be legally defensible.

### 3. Financial Sustainability

County proposes eligibility for one time funding be contingent on some kind of agreement to bring a 218 assessment to vote. Jesse meets with the County Fire Sustainability Ad Hoc Committee on 1/18, Chiefs are interested to know how these funding needs will be met if the 218 assessments don't pass.

## 2. Update on 2020 Co. Rd #41 Capay Valley Exit Route

Trees are down on the roadway, possible that Team Rubicon can clear when they come. No word on County timeline for fixing road.

3. Updates on the formation of the Capay Valley Emergency Response Auxiliary (CVERA) Trainings begin at end of January, Team Rubicon to arrive mid-January, CVERA exploring application for Cal Fire Wildfire Prevention grant with FPD to act as fiscal sponsor.

The board will keep this item on the agenda for review and updates at the next meeting.

## 4. Discussion on Reserve Program

Job description still not complete

The board will keep this item on the agenda for updates at the next meeting.

5. Update on bid process for new septic system

Jesse contacted Yolo Pumping and asked to be put on the schedule. This item to remain on the schedule until work has begun.

6. Mid-year budget amendment

Will offset overages in budget line items due to strike team wages paid, and previous year expenses paid in this fiscal year. Amendment has not been drafted – will follow up next month. Jesse will create 2 options – one which increases the budget with strike team funds to offset strike team wages, and one which recategorizes existing allocations.

#### **New Business:**

#### None

Fire Chief's Report:

Approved for DWR grant to improve electrical panel and install new transfer pump at storage tanks, MOU with Yolo County is being drafted, B21 out of service – siren needs to be replaced Esparto has offered to share a reserve type 3

Firefighter Flood enrolled in EMT program

Jesse looking at S212 chainsaw training - one other FF interested

Firefighters' Association Report:

Christmas dinner went really well, Matt Flood was given Firefighter of the Year award.

## Other Agenda Items:

Discuss budget and review claims:

Jesse submitted the current claims and they were reviewed by the Board

**Motion to Pay Submitted Claims** 

Motion: Mark Burns Second: Caleb Sehnert

Ayes: Dawnmarie, Caleb, Mark, Judith

Nays: None Absent: Wyatt Approved: Yes

### Motion to Close the Meeting:

TIME: 7:55

Motion: Dawnmarie Eason Second: Caleb Sehnert

Ayes: Mark, Dawnmarie, Caleb, Judith

Nays: None Absent: Wyatt Approved: Yes

Meeting adjourned: 7:55

Judith Redmond, Chairman

Jesse Capitanio, Secretary