Minutes of the Capay Valley Fire Protection District Commissioners

Monday 13 January 2025

1. Meeting Called To Order:

The regular meeting of the Capay Valley Fire Protection District Board of Commissioners was opened and called to order at 6:35 PM by Board Chair, Judith Redmond. Board Members Present were Caleb Sehnert, Judith Redmond, and Dawnmarie Eason. Mark Burns and Wyatt Cline were absent. Also present was Fire Chief and District Secretary Jesse Capitanio.

1. Reading and approval of prior meeting minutes:

A motion was made by Dawnmarie to approve the December meeting minutes, seconded by Caleb Sehnert, and passed by all present.

1. Correspondence:

The Board discussed the letter from the Slaughter Family and response from SCI Consulting. Issue is tabled until next meeting.

We received notification from Yolo County of foreclosed properties which will be available at auction. Jesse will forward the notice to the Board members.

1. Public Comment:

There was no public comment.

1. Old Business:
   1. Joint Operations Agreement:

No update.

* 1. CVERA update:

Judith reports that CVERA is back from their winter break, and members attended a joint search and rescue training held by the Yolo Sheriff’s office volunteers. Training was scenario based and valuable to all involved. Jesse reported that CVERA still has grant funding available through RCD.

* 1. Project Updates
     1. Station 22:

Framing is complete, rebar is on-hand, work is delayed due to Task Force deployment.

* + 1. Station 21:

No progress – still need to check setbacks. Jesse sent a courtesy letter to the owners of the neighboring property advising them of upcoming construction as well as expressing interest in rental of the double-wide adjacent to Station 21. No response.

* + 1. ISO rating:

Jesse contacted our ISO rep for more information regarding non-traditional hydrants – waiting for reply.

* + 1. New Type 3 Engine Update:

Golden State Fire Apparatus reports no change of the June delivery date as of this time. Contract has been signed with Yocha Dehe for donation of their surplus type 3 to our department.

* 1. Budget Amendment

The Board reviewed the 2nd draft of the budget amendment. Motion by Caleb Sehnert to accept the revised budget with total financing uses of $1,181,413.00. Motion seconded by Dawnmarie Eason, passed by all present.

1. New Business: None
2. Chief’s Report:

Jesse reports that the fog nozzle for Engine 22’s master stream was damaged during the recent Yolo Hulling fire in Dunnigan. Dunnigan Fire has agreed to replace it.

Brush 21 is in the shop for a transfer case rebuild – no ETA.

There is a possibility of acquiring a surplus command vehicle from Madison Fire – a 2010 Chevy Tahoe 4x4 with low miles. Chief Green will discuss with his Board.

E23 participated in the SAR training on Saturday with members of CVERA, Yolo Sheriff’s office, Yolo SAR, Yocha Dehe Fire, and Yolo ARES. Waiting to debrief Captain Muller. Captain Hollis attended a wildland incident command class in Williams over the weekend, and reported that the class was extremely informative.

B222 is deployed on the Pacific Palisades fire with Assistant Chief Ed Walters as Engine Boss, Engineer Matt Flood, and Firefighter Blair Howard. They are working hard, cheerful, and well-fed.

Yolo County is working on rewriting the fireworks ordinance for the unincorporated areas. Fire Chiefs are able to permit sale of CA legal fireworks, FD’s are able to sell CA legal fireworks, and illegal fireworks are punishable by a fine of $1000.00 per device. Jesse does not foresee allowing the sale of fireworks in the Capay Valley as even safe and sane fireworks are illegal for use in SRA, and the sale would compete with the Esparto Little League Boosters who we are happy to support each year.

214 calls total for the 2024 calendar year, 7 in December. 9 so far in January, 5 of which occurred between Friday evening and Saturday morning.

1. Firefighters’ Association:

Christmas party was fun, everybody enjoyed the gifts. Almond festival is coming up and we will be selling BBQ oysters as usual.

1. Other Agenda Items:

None.

1. Review Budget and Approve Payment of Bills:

The Board reviewed the current budget vs. actuals, as well as an updated document showing the changes made during the budget revision. The Board reviewed the current claims, a motion to pay the bills was made by Caleb Sehnert, seconded by Dawnmarie Eason, and was passed by all present.

1. Meeting Adjournment:

Dawnmarie moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 pm. Seconded by Caleb and passed by all present.

Judith Redmond, Chairman \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Jesse Capitanio, Secretary\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_