



ALPINE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

MINUTES

DIRECTOR EASTERLING
DIRECTOR PRICE
DIRECTOR TAYLOR
DIRECTOR WILLIS
DIRECTOR MEHRER

TUESDAY
JANUARY 19, 2021
5:00 P.M.

FIRE CHIEF BRIAN BOGGELN
CLERK OF THE BOARD ERIN SCHICK

FIRE STATION 17 MEETING ROOM
1364 TAVERN ROAD
ALPINE, CA 91901

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1) CALL TO ORDER AND DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM

Board Members arriving after the meeting begins will be noted PRESENT at the point in which they arrive. Board Members leaving the meeting will be noted ABSENT at the point that they leave and PRESENT at the point they reenter the meeting.

The meeting was called to order via teleconference at 5:00pm by Director Easterling in accordance with the Governor's Executive Order N-25-20 issued on 3/12/2020. Roll call by Fire Chief Brian Boggeln. Directors in attendance telephonically: Easterling, Mehrer, Price, Taylor, and Willis. Also present, Fire Marshal Jason McBroom, Local 2638 Representative Shane Ozbirn, Legal Counsel Steve Fitch, Clerk of the Board Erin Schick, and Payroll and Accounting Specialist Debbie Pinhero.

2) APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion to approve the agenda as submitted.

(M/Willis 2nd/Price Approved 5-0)

Telephonic Roll Call Vote: Aye (5); Easterling, Mehrer, Price, Taylor, Willis; Nay (0); Abstaining (0); Absent (0)

3) CONSENT CALENDAR

3.1 – Approve the Minutes: Regular Board Meeting – December 15, 2020 (pgs. 4-9)

3.2 – Financial Reports (pgs. 10-28)

3.3 – Employee Reimbursement Report (pg. 29)

3.4 – Cash Flow Report (pgs. 30-31)

3.5 – Investment Portfolio Report (pg. 32)

3.6 – Correspondence (pg. 33)

3.7 – Grant Update (pg. 34)

Motion to approve Consent Calendar as submitted. Director Easterling motioned to make a change on the December Board Meeting Minutes for item 5.4-L to “denied 5-0” for Director Willis’ motion.



(M/Taylor 2nd/Willis Approved 5-0)
Telephonic Roll Call Vote: Aye (5); Easterling, Mehrer, Price, Taylor, Willis; Nay (0); Abstaining (0); Absent (0)

4) PUBLIC HEARING ON AGENDA ITEMS

The public may comment on any matter on the agenda at this time or may request of the Board that public comment be heard immediately prior to the Board taking action on a particular item. If there are no requests for further public comment on a particular matter then this portion of the agenda shall conclude public comment on all agenda items. **Read, no comment.**

5) DISCUSSION – POSSIBLE ACTION ITEMS

5.1 – Fiscal Year 2020/2021 Mid-Year Budget Review – *Discussion Only*

Fire Chief will provide a budget update.

Income property tax is on track and ahead of last year. Higher income from the result of Strike Team and Strike Team vehicle reimbursements. There has been a change in the grant and foundation budget, did not budget and spent more due to not knowing how much we were going to get. Currently over budget for Critical Weather but Sunrise Powerlink is set aside for that and it will be reimbursed. Strike Team is over budget, State will cover, just waiting on reimbursements. Sprinkler system was over budget due to water leak, and expecting another bill due to additional work needed. Currently over budget on Election from the county requesting a higher down payment for COVID-19, possible to see some of that money come back.

5.2 – Awarding of Construction Contract for “Station 17 – Concrete Project”

Staff Report – pg. 35

Motion to approve Awarding of Construction Contract for “Station17 – Concrete Project” as submitted.

(M/Willis 2nd/Mehrer Approved 5-0)

Telephonic Roll Call Vote: Aye (5); Easterling, Mehrer, Price, Taylor, Willis; Nay (0); Abstaining (0); Absent (0)

6) REPORTS – INFORMATION ONLY

6.1 – Directors’ Report

Director Willis wants to add discussion of an increase in the emergency fund on a future agenda.

6.2 – Fire Chief (pg. 36)

Fire Chief Boggeln gave a COVID-19 update. PPE supply is doing ok. OSHA required emergency regulations with enhanced safety protocols. 46% of safety personnel have received the first dose of the vaccine with the second dose starting next week. 2 personnel have gone through training to be vaccinators, one has completed the training and has been doing vaccinations with Cal Fire, and the other is in the process of completing training. One personnel is COVID positive and is isolating at home. This month Chief Boggeln was appointed Treasurer of the San Diego County Fire Chiefs Association. Fire Marshal McBroom was appointed a 2 year term with the Office of State Fire Marshal on the Automatic Extinguishing Systems Board. Fire Chief thanked Firefighter Hiebing for his



help with the successful Toy Drive. Reminded Directors to complete their direct deposit forms due to mail disappearing as well as mail theft in Alpine.

6.3 – Fire Marshal

Fire Marshal McBroom gave a FEMA grant update. They are fast tracking through local and federal regulations in the process of shortening the 3 month window possibly within the next month. Second term with the Office of State Fire Marshal will end in 2022. Director Willis asked if chipping is still in effect and Fire Marshal confirmed it is. Late March/Early April will starting looking for seasonal weed abatement inspector to start in May.

6.4 – Association of Alpine Firefighters - Local 2638

Firefighter Shane Ozbirn reported that Firefighter Lavigne received the Firefighter of The Year reward. One firefighter is out from COVID-19, spoke with him that morning and said he is doing well. Thanked Firefighter Hiebing for his efforts with the Toy Drive, and glad to see proceeds benefit Alpine families. Board thanked Firefighter Lavigne on his reward.

6.5 – Committee Reports

No report.

7) PUBLIC DISCUSSION

In accordance with state law, an item not on the agenda may be brought forth by the general public for discussion. No action or discussion shall be undertaken, except that members of the Board may briefly respond to statements or questions posed by the general public. In addition, on their own initiative or in response to questions posed by the public, the board members may ask a question for clarification; provide reference to staff or other resources for factual information or request staff to report back to the board at a subsequent meeting concerning any matter. Furthermore, a member of the Board may take action to direct staff to place a matter of business on a future agenda.

Read, Director Price would like to do another survey and have the other agencies researched on Board Member stipends.

- **5:22pm – Adjourned to Closed Session**

8) CLOSED SESSION

- Conference with Negotiators (California Government Code §54957.6)**
Agency designated representatives: Taylor, Price, Boggeln
Employee Organization: Local 2638, Safety
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Unrepresented Employee: Fire Marshal
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Unrepresented employee: Payroll and Accounting Specialist
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Agency designated representatives: Taylor, Price, Boggeln
Unrepresented employee: Administrative Assistant
- Conference with Negotiators (California Government Code §54957.6)**
Agency designated representative: Taylor, Price
Unrepresented employee: Fire Chief

- **5:32pm – Reconvened to Open Session. Direction given, no action taken.**
- **5:32pm – Director Mehrer absent from meeting.**



9) ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 5:33 pm

(M/Willis 2nd/Price Approved 5-0)

Telephonic Roll Call Vote: Aye (4); Easterling, Price, Taylor, Willis;

Nay (0); Abstaining (0); Absent (1); Mehrer

NOTIFICATION OF NEXT MEETING

Next regular meeting will be held:

February 16, 2021 at 5:00 p.m.

Alpine Fire Station 17 (meeting room)

1364 Tavern Road, Alpine CA 91901

Minutes Approved:

Board Secretary

Date