

**FRESNO COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT**

Board of Directors – Regular Meeting  
May 18, 2022 – 6:00 p.m.  
Mid Valley Regional Fire Training Center  
9594 E. American Ave.  
Del Rey, California

**MINUTES**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Furrer, Arabian, Richter and Mendes; Chavez and Bulla via teleconference

MEMBERS ABSENT:

STAFF: Hail, Michaels, Chrisman, Cosentino and Hermosillo

LEGAL COUNSEL: Ross

GUESTS:

**ROLL CALL**

President Furrer requested a roll call from the Clerk of the Board. There were six (6) members present. Director Chavez arrived at 6:13pm.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

President Furrer called the meeting to order at 6:00pm and Director Arabian opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**INTRODUCTIONS/PRESENTATIONS**

None

**CHANGES/CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA**

None

**Agenda Item 1 - PUBLIC COMMENTARY**

None

**CONSENT AGENDA (Items 2-8)**

UPON MOTION BY DIRECTOR RICHTER, SECOND BY DIRECTOR MENDES  
AN CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE (5-0), TO APPROVE CONSENT  
AGENDA ITEMS NUMBERS 2-8.

No Public Comment.

**OLD BUSINESS**

None

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Agenda Item 9 – Resolution 2022-11 CAL FIRE five (5) year contract for FY 22/23 thru 26/27**

Staff is recommending the Board of Directors approves the five (5) year contract with CAL FIRE and Resolution 2022-11 as presented. It also recommends that any Board member makes a motion to approve the five (5) year contract with CAL FIRE and Resolution 2022-11 for FY 22/23 thru FY 26/27 and authorize the President of the Board to sign the contact and resolution.

UPON MOTION BY DIRECTOR ARABIAN, SECOND BY RICHTER CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE (5-0), TO APPROVE THE FIVE (5) YEAR CONTRACT WITH CAL FIRE AND RESOLUTION 2022-11 FOR FY 22/23 THRU FY 26/27 AND AUTHORIZE THE BOARD PRESIDENT TO SIGN THE CONTRACT AND RESOLUTION.

No Public Comment.

**Agenda Item 10 – Fire Station 72 Project for Statement of Qualifications**

Staff is recommending that the Board of Directors direct staff to issue a Request for Statement of Qualifications for the Fire Station 72 Project.

UPON MOTION BY DIRECTOR RICHTER, SECOND BY DIRECTOR MENDES CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE (6-0), TO APPROVE THE STAFF TO ISSUE A REQUEST FOR STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS FOR THE FIRE STATION 72 PROJECT.

No Public Comment.

**Agenda Item 11 – Donation of SCBA to Shaver Lake VFD**

Staff is recommending that the Board of Directors authorize the Chief to donate this SCBA equipment to the Shaver Lake Volunteer Fire Department.

UPON MOTION BY DIRECTOR ARABIAN, SECOND BY DIRECTOR FURRER CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE (6-0), TO APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE THE CHIEF TO DONATE THE SCBA EQUIPMENT TO THE SHAVER LAKE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT.

No Public Comment.

### **Agenda Item 12 – Surplus/Excess Mobile Equipment**

Staff is recommending that the Board of Directors authorize the Chief to dispose of surplus/excess mobile equipment through the auction method (4 items).

UPON MOTION BY DIRECTOR RICHTER, SECOND BY DIRECTOR MENDES CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE (6-0), TO APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE THE CHIEF TO DISPOSE OF THIS EQUIPMENT THROUGH THE AUCTION METHOD (4 ITEMS).

No Public Comment.

### **Agenda Item 15 – Board Member Agenda Requests/Reports**

None

### **Agenda Item 16 – Staff Reports**

1. Chief Hail advised plans had been submitted to the City of Parlier for Station 71 and we are currently on track to have packet out to bid in June.
2. Chief Hail advised no updates on Station 72 at this time.
3. Chief Hail advised we have received the first generator and it will be placed at one of the three stations, Station 74, Station 75, or Station 77.
4. Chief Hail advised CAL FIRE signed the lease for Sierra Elementary. We have received keys and crews have started work on clean-up.
5. AC Michaels advise the Historical Meeting was cancelled this month so they can move items into the cabinets of the new classroom.
6. AC Michaels advised that the sign for outside of the museum/artifacts is finalized.
7. AC Michaels approval for DHS funding and purchasing for new repeaters for some repeater sites, the purchasing is going on now. Will help with the ability to communicate better on the fire grounds.
8. AC Michaels advised we met with a website design team and will be moving forward with change. Asked Board member to advise if they want any specific content to email AC Michaels.
9. AC Michaels said he sent out an email to the field asking for people who want to be a part of data analytics. The new software will be rolled out through the training platform.
10. AC Michaels said the Battalion Chief hiring process is taking place for the PIO/ECC and Fuels BC, the filing process closed today. We will start doing resume reviews then start scheduling interviews.
11. AC Michaels advised he attended ECC Chief's meeting last week a couple of our local members will be sitting on working groups/committees.
12. AC Michaels advised Chief Hail and himself met with Sanger, Selma and Kingsburg to discuss auto aid response with them to balance with resources.
13. BC Cosentino advised the new classroom should be completed by June 30<sup>th</sup>, a lot of the electrical is done just waiting on IT stuff to be completed.
14. BC Cosentino advised the training center just completed our second truck academy. We had 8 of our own member's along with members from Selma and

Sanger City. Other cities have reached out to have a truck academy put on for them as well.

15. BC Cosentino advised they started training the California Conservation Crews that are housed at the Training Center. It will be a two-week training.
16. Chief Hail advised BC Wittwer, FEM Greenwood and FC Vento are in Nebraska doing the final inspection for Ladder 72. New Engine 82 is now in service.

**Agenda Item 17. A. – Closed Session Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation pursuant to Government code section 54956.9(d)(1): (2 matters).**

1. Fresno County Fire Protection District v. City of Parlier, Fresno County Superior Court Case No. 20CECG02714.
2. Fresno County Fire Protection District v. City of Parlier, Fresno County Superior Court Case No. 20CECG03030

**Agenda Item 17. B. – Consideration of Personnel matter pursuant to Government code section 54957 (b): (1 matters)**

**Agenda Item 17. C. – Confirmed with Real Property Negotiator pursuant to Government code section 549556.8; APN No's 300-021-275, 300-340-01S and 300-340-13S; Friant unincorporated area. Negotiator: Assistant Chief Chris Bump.**

UPON MOTION BY DIRECTOR RICHTER AND SECOND BY DIRECTOR MENDES AND CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE (6-0) IN FAVOR, TO MOVE INTO OPEN SESSION.

**Agenda Item 19 – Report Upon Return from Closed Session**

Reportable Action: Written report to be prepared pursuant to Government Code section 54957.154957.1.

UPON MOTION BY DIRECTOR RICHTER AND SECOND BY DIRECTOR MENDES AND CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE (6-0) IN FAVOR, TO ADJOURN THE MEETING.

**ADJOURNMENT** – The meeting was adjourned at 6:49 p.m.

The next Regular Board meeting will be held on June 15, 2022.