

FRESNO COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

Board of Directors – Regular Meeting
July 21, 2021 – 6:00 p.m.
Mid Valley Regional Fire Training Center
9594 E. American Ave.
DelRey, California

MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT: Arabian, Richter, Chavez, Furrer and Bulla.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Del Puppo

STAFF: Hail, Bump, Johnson, Michaels, Brown, Wittwer, Chevoya,
Burgard, Hermosillo and Chrisman via teleconference

LEGAL COUNSEL: Ross

GUESTS: None

ROLL CALL

Vice President Arabian requested a roll call from the Clerk of the Board. There were five (5) members present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

INTRODUCTIONS/PRESENTATIONS

None

CHANGES/CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

Vice President Arabian advised need to withdraw Agenda Item #12, documentation is not ready to support agenda item.

Agenda Item 1 - PUBLIC COMMENTARY

None

CONSENT AGENDA (Items 2-9)

UPON MOTION BY DIRECTOR CHAVEZ, SECOND BY DIRECTOR BULLA
CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE, TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS
NUMBERS 2-9.

No Public Comment.

OLD BUSINESS

Agenda Item 10 – Capital Facilities Projects

DC Bump gave a recap of facilities maintenance. Training Center solar farm gravel has been put around the panels then a security fence will be installed. Station 95 and 89 landscape projects are still being worked on. Station 74 will start project working on expanding the narrow driveway.

No Public Comment.

Agenda Item 11 – Update on Mobile Equipment Projects

DC Bump gave a recap of mobile equipment projects. New engine will be here next week then the other one will be here the following week. Three Brush engines were bought from CALFIRE and need to be refurbished. The DHS grant for Breathing Support 82 refurbish is in the works and the pre-construction meeting has been completed. The Ladder 72 pre-construction meeting has taken place and looks to be completed around April 2022.

No Public Comment.

Agenda Item 12 – Consideration of Proposed Property Tax Allocation Agreement with City of Parlier

Agenda item removed from meeting.

Agenda Item 13 – Coalinga Ambulance – Station 93 Lease

Chief Hail provided an update regarding the meeting with the cities of Huron and Coalinga regarding leasing space at Station 93 to house an ambulance. Next month should be bringing the renewal agreement to board for review and approval.

No Public Comment.

NEW BUSINESS

Agenda Item 14 – Appoint the District’s Preferred Contractor for Architectural and Engineering Services

Staff recommends that the Board of Directors appoint Jeff Katz Architectural, Corporation (JKA) as the District’s Preferred Contractor for Architectural and Engineering Services.

UPON MOTION BY DIRECTOR FURRER, SECOND BY BULLA CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE, TO APPROVE AND APPOINT JEFF KATZ ARCHITECTURAL, CORPORATION AS THE DISTRICT’S PREFERRED CONTRACTOR.

No Public Comment.

Agenda Item 15 – Additional Large Classroom Mid Valley Regional Fire Training Center (MVRFTC)

District staff recommended that the Board approve and authorize staff to finalize, purchase and install a large classroom at MVRFTC.

UPON MOTION BY DIRECTOR FURRER, SECOND BY CHAVEZ CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE, TO APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE STAFF TO FINALIZE, PURCHASE AND INSTALL LARGE CLASSROOM AT MVRFTC.

No Public Comment.

Agenda Item 16 – Board Member Agenda Requests/Reports

None.

Agenda Item 17 – Staff Reports

1. Executive Officer Johnson advised that has been doing site visits with the electrical engineer to review the backup generators for stations.
2. Chief Hail advised District Type 3's are staffed to assist CALFIRE.
3. Chief Hail advised a Type 2 Helicopter is based out of Sanger Headquarters. The Helicopter pad has been upgraded.
4. Chief Hail advised talks are being held with Sequoia Safety Council regarding reconstruction and remodel of Station 71 in Parlier.
5. Chief Hail advised Director Furrer received an citizens email through Supervisor Magsig's office regarding staffing Station 75 full time. A response letter will be sent.
6. DC Bump advised he is working with the City of Firebaugh on updating the agreement between the City and the District.

UPON MOTION BY DIRECTOR CHAVEZ AND SECOND BY DIRECTOR FURRER CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE IN FAVOR TO MOVE INTO CLOSED SESSION.

Agenda Item 18.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 18.B. – Consideration of Personnel matter pursuant to Government code section 54957 (b): (1 matters)

UPON MOTION BY DIRECTOR CHAVEZ AND SECOND BY DIRECTOR FURRER AND CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE, 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 CHAVEZ AND SECOND BY DIRECTOR ARABIAN AND CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE IN FAVOR, TO ADJOURN THE MEETING.

ADJOURNMENT – The meeting was adjourned at 7:28 p.m.

The next Regular Board meeting will be held on August 18, 2021.