

**EL DORADO COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
BOARD MEETING**

**MINUTES
March 21, 2013**

2850 Fair Lane Ct., Building "C"
Placerville, CA 95667
3:00 P.M. Closed Session
4:00 P.M. Open Session

3:00 P.M. CLOSED SESSION

- A. Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation pursuant to subdivision (a) of Government Code Section 54956.9 (two cases): DFEH Complaint # 26550-23275-R. EEOC # 37A-2013-2013-C, Calfee v. El Dorado County Fire Protection District; and Workers Compensation Appeals Board Case # ADJ8660775 Lacher v. El Dorado County Fire Protection District.
- B. Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation Significant Exposure to litigation pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 54956.9 Cima v. El Dorado County Fire Protection District.
- C. Meeting with designated representatives of the El Dorado County Fire Protection District regarding employee salaries, salary schedules, and/or other compensation in the form of fringe benefits (non-safety) pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6

4:00 P.M. OPEN SESSION

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Director Brunton called the meeting to order at 4:30 P.M.

2. ROLL CALL:

Present: Swarbrick, Brunton, Johnson, Courtial, Thomas
Absent: None

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

4. APPROVE AGENDA:

It was moved by Director Thomas and seconded by Director Johnson to approve the agenda as presented. The motion was passed by the following vote:

Ayes: Swarbrick, Brunton, Johnson, Courtial, Thomas
Noes: None
Absent: None

5. CONSENT CALENDAR:

(All items approved on a single vote except those pulled for individual discussion and action).

Director Thomas pulled the operations budget for discussion. Director Thomas asked Acting Fire Chief Hardy about the health and dental line items for the JPA. Chief Hardy clarified that those expenses are being taken out of the JPA Budget.

A. Minutes: February 21, 2013 Regular Board Meeting

B. Claim Payments/Deposits

<u>District Claims:</u>	<u>JPA Claims:</u>	<u>Deposits:</u>
\$ 92,199.54	\$ 4,830.54	\$ 4,084.60
\$ 30,499.98	\$ 5,975.44	
\$ 102,537.95		

It was moved by Director Thomas and seconded by Director Swarbrick to approve the Consent Calendar. The motion was passed by the following vote:

Ayes: Swarbrick, Brunton, Johnson, Courtial, Thomas
Noes: None
Absent: None

6. PUBLIC COMMENT

(Any person wishing to address the Board on any item that is not on the agenda may do so at this time. Public comments are limited to five minutes per person).

Rich Krek

7. REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION:

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No Action Taken

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No Action Taken

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No Action Taken

8. DEPARTMENTAL MATTERS:

- A. Six Year Financial Analysis

Report given by Michael Ocenosak

Public Comment

Barbara Rogers

- B. Verizon Wireless Proposed Facility

It was moved by Director Swarbrick and seconded by Director Johnson to give Acting Fire Chief Hardy the authority to pursue the proposed Verizon Wireless facility contract. The motion was passed by the following vote:

Ayes: Swarbrick, Johnson, Courtial, Brunton, Thomas

Noes: None

Absent: None

- C. Recommended Apparatus Surplus and Relocations

Public Comment

Rich Krek

It was moved by Director Thomas and seconded by Director Swarbrick to approve the surplus of fifteen items on page three of the list. The motion was passed by the following vote:

Ayes: Swarbrick, Johnson, Courtial, Brunton, Thomas

Noes: None

Absent: None

- D. Request for RFP from CAL FIRE

Director Brunton stated that as an employee of CAL FIRE he looked into Fair Political Practice and it does not exclude him from looking into an RFP. However, he chose to recues himself and incase of a tie vote, he would place his vote to be a tiebreaker.

Public Comment

Rich Krek
Barbara Rogers
Ty Dennis
Rob Combs
Tim Cordero
Gary Baldock
Christopher Cottingham

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Ayes: Swarbrick, Johnson, Courtial, Thomas
Noes: None
Absent: None
Recues: Brunton

9. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

A. Facilities & Equipment (Johnson/Brunton)

Director Brunton thanked Division Chief Taylor for producing the surplus list.

B. Fire Prevention (Johnson/Swarbrick)

No Report

C. El Dorado County Emergency Services Authority-JPA (Swarbrick)
(Thomas-alternate)

Director Swarbrick stated that the JPA was looking into having a cap cost on each medic unit. Chief Hardy reported that the JPA received a proposal from Garden Valley Fire District to take over two medic units. Chief Hardy reported that Marty Hackett submitted a plan that essentially puts a cap on Class 1; a one million dollar cap. Chief Hardy stated that a preliminary budget was approved. Chief Hardy reported that the JPA is also requesting a RFP from CAL FIRE for ambulance service.

D. Human Resources (Thomas/Courtial)

No Report

E. Budget and Finance (Thomas/Courtial)

Chief Hardy reported that staff is daily looking at the budget as well as revenue and expenses.

F. Revenue Research Committee (Courtial/Brunton)

No Report

10. CORRESPONDENCE AND COMMUNICATION:

- Fire Engine Response Statistics
- Medic Unit Response Statistics

11. FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

Chief Hardy reported on a significant fire on Main Street. Chief Hardy reported that the District lost our Fire Prevention Officer who took a position at Contra Costa Fire. Chief Hardy stated with the Union's input it has been decided to fill that position with a firefighter/paramedic. Chief Hardy stated as part of the re-organization, the District is going to institute a second floater. The spot is going to come from the firefighter spot at Station 72. To maintain the level of service, three Captain/Paramedics have volunteered to work at 72 temporarily. Chief Hardy stated the District is hiring three new apprentices to fill the vacant spot at Station 72. Chief Hardy reported the District was awarded a tribal gaming grant. With that grant funding the District is accepting bids for an ATV with a fire mounted pump attached and hose reel with a shed to park it in. Chief Hardy reported on his attendance to the League of Fire Boards. The next meeting for that board is March 27 at 5:30 at Fifty Grand in Pollock Pines. Chief Hardy reported that the District did not get approved for the 2012 AFG Grant.

12. BOARD COMMENTS:

Swarbrick: Director Swarbrick stated he appreciated everyone's hard work on the recent fire. Director Swarbrick thanked everyone for their public comment and for staying through the whole meeting.

Johnson: No Comment

Courtial: No Comment

Thomas: Director Thomas stated that in going forward with requesting a RFP from CAL FIRE and the District's need for additional revenue; he feels that the public should weigh in on how they would like the District to move forward. Director Thomas thanked everyone for their comments and participation in the meeting. Director Thomas announced he will not be at the next regular board meeting.

Brunton: No Comment

13. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

Next regularly scheduled Board Meeting, April 18, 2013
2850 Fair Lane Court, Building C, Placerville, CA 95667

- 14. ADJOURNMENT:** *At 6:45 P.M. it was moved by Director Swarbrick and seconded by Director Courtial to adjourn the meeting. All in favor.*