FRESNO COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

Board of Directors – Regular Meeting April 15, 2020 – 6:00 p.m. Sanger Headquarters 210 S. Academy Avenue Sanger, California

MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT: Del Puppo, Del Testa, Guice, Arabian, Richter, and Chavez.

All members present via teleconference.

MEMBERS ABSENT:

CAL FIRE/STAFF: Johnson, Bump, Chrisman and Hermosillo

LEGAL COUNSEL: Ross via teleconference

GUESTS:

ROLL CALL

President Del Puppo requested a roll call from the Clerk of the Board. There were six (6) members present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Del Puppo called the meeting to order at 6:02 pm. Due to remote location the Pledge of Allegiance was not performed.

INTRODUCTIONS/PRESENTATIONS

None

CHANGES/CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

None

Agenda Item 1 - PUBLIC COMMENTARY

None

CONSENT AGENDA (Items 2-9)

UPON MOTION APPROVED (6-0) WITH PRESIDENT DEL PUPPO, AND DIRECTOR DEL TESTA, DIRECTOR GUICE, DIRECTOR ARABIAN, DIRECTOR CHAVEZ AND DIRECTOR RICTHER CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE IN FAVOR, TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS NUMBERS 2 THROUGH 9.

No Public Comment.

OLD BUSINESS

Agenda Item 10 - Capital Facilities Projects

DC Bump gave a recap of projects focusing on the Training Center. Plans have been submitted and working on plan checks on the office trailer. Thursday, they will be working on the solar underground. Lastly, another 500-gallon diesel tank will be bid on for Station 87.

No Public Comment.

Agenda Item 11 - Update on Mobile Equipment Projects

DC Bump gave a recap of mobile equipment projects. The vinyl graphics shop is up and running and getting at least 2 or 3 additional clients per week.

No Public Comment.

Agenda Item 12 – CBDG (Community Development Block Grant) Agreement Admin Officer Chrisman recommending approving the CDBG Grant agreement to refurbish Water Tender 93 and approve the Board President to sign the agreement.

UPON MOTION APPROVED (6-0) WITH PRESIDENT DEL PUPPO, AND DIRECTOR DEL TESTA, DIRECTOR GUICE, DIRECTOR ARABIAN, DIRECTOR CHAVEZ AND DIRECTOR RICTHER CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE IN FAVOR, TO APPROVE THE BOARD PRESIDENT TO SIGN THE CBDG AGREEMENT.

No Public Comment.

NEW BUSINESS

Agenda Item 13 – Volunteer Firefighter Assistance Grant (VFA) FY 2020/2021

Admin Officer Chrisman asked the Board of Directors to approve staff to move forward with applying for the Volunteer Firefighter Assistance Grant for Fiscal Year 2020/2021.

UPON MOTION APPROVED (6-0) WITH PRESIDENT DEL PUPPO, AND DIRECTOR DEL TESTA, DIRECTOR GUICE, DIRECTOR ARABIAN, DIRECTOR CHAVEZ AND DIRECTOR RICTHER CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE IN FAVOR, TO APPROVE STAFF TO MOVE FORWARD WITH SUBMITTING AN APPLICATION FOR VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER ASSISTANCE GRANT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2020/2021.

No Public Comment.

Agenda Item 14 – Lexipol Policy, Adoption.

Admin Officer Chrisman asked the Board of Directors to formally adopt the Lexipol based District policies they have approved and any future policies that they approve.

UPON MOTION APPROVED (6-0) WITH PRESIDENT DEL PUPPO, AND DIRECTOR DEL TESTA, DIRECTOR GUICE, DIRECTOR ARABIAN, DIRECTOR CHAVEZ AND DIRECTOR RICTHER CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE IN FAVOR, TO APPROVE THE ADOPTION OF THE LEXIPOL BASED DISTRICT POLICIES.

No Public Comment

Agenda Item 15 – Board Member Agenda Requests/Reports

Director Guice asked how Station 74 was working out. DC Bump advised so far so good, and the staff are being very flexible during these times.

No Public Comment

Agenda Item 16 – Staff Reports

- Chief Johnson advised the department is doing very well with all the measurements that have been put in place. No personnel have been affected at this time.
- 2. DC Bump advised as of Monday all personnel will be wearing surgical masks on duty to limit exposure.
- 3. DC Bump advised District has been restricted in spending for the remainder of the year. In addition, a budget sub committee meeting will be in the next couple of weeks.

UPON MOTION APPROVED (6-0) WITH PRESIDENT DEL PUPPO, AND DIRECTOR DEL TESTA, DIRECTOR GUICE, DIRECTOR ARABIAN, DIRECTOR CHAVEZ AND DIRECTOR RICTHER CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE IN FAVOR, TO MOVE INTO CLOSED SESSION.

Agenda Item 17.A. – Closed Session Conference with Legal Counsel - Anticipated Litigation Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to Government code section 54956.9(d)(2): (2 matters)

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

Agenda Item 17.B. – Consideration of Personnel matter pursuant to Government code section 54957 (b): (2 matters)

No Reportable Action

Agenda Item 18 – Report Upon Return from Closed Session

UPON MOTION APPROVED (6-0) WITH PRESIDENT DEL PUPPO, DIRECTOR DEL TESTA, DIRECTOR GUICE, DIRECTOR ARABIAN, DIRECTOR CHAVEZ AND DIRECTOR RICTHER CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE IN FAVOR, TO ADJOURN THE MEETING.

ADJOURNMENT – The meeting was adjourned at 6:38 p.m.

The next Regular Board meeting will be held on May 20, 2020.