

MOKELUMNE FIRE DISTRICT

MEETING MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 3, 2021

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Directors of the Mokelumne Fire District was called to order by President M. Young on February 3, 2021 at Fire Station 13-1, 13157 E. Brandt Road, Lockeford, CA 95237 at 7:00 pm.

1. Call to Order-Roll Call

Present: Mike Young, Mark Sperling, John Anagnos, Jim Tamura
Absent: None

2. Pledge of Allegiance: M. Young led the salute to the American Flag.

*President M. Young stated that the meeting was being recorded and that the meeting participants were practicing social distancing.

3. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC: None

4. ADDITIONS/REVISIONS TO AGENDA: None

5. COMMUNICATIONS: None

6. CONSENT ITEMS:

- 6.1 MINUTES FOR REGULAR BOARD MEETING ON JANUARY 6, 2021
Motion to approve the minutes of the January 6, 2021 Board Meeting as corrected.

ACTION – MOTION: Director Tamura SECOND: Director Sperling
Roll Call
AYES: Young, Sperling, Anagnos, Tamura
NAYES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

- 6.2 FINANCIAL REPORTS – UNPAID BILLS REPORT
Motion to approve the January 2021 Financial Report.

ACTION – MOTION: Director Anagnos SECOND: Director Sperling
Roll Call
AYES: Young, Sperling, Anagnos, Tamura
NAYES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

7. OLD BUSINESS:

7.1 STATION IMPROVEMENTS

- A. STATION ADDITION PROJECT – Chief is working on getting the plans finalized and forwarded to Roland Construction.
- B. SOLAR PROJECT – Chief Ramirez is still waiting on a bid from one more vendor. This project is on hold due to the current projects.
- C. WASHROOM PROJECT – Chief Ramirez noted that Captain Weber has removed the asphalt. This project is moving forward; however, will wait until the new generator is received. Bender Air Conditioner will come in to move the AC unit to make room for the new generator.
- D. SIGN PROJECT – Chief Ramirez noted that the County has accepted the plans and should issue the permit soon. Once the permit is received the cement will be poured and the sign will be installed. Gary Signs will make the electrical connection to the sign and to the subpanel.
- E. Fill Station for SCBAs (Compressor) –
Motion to approve the purchase of a Bauer Compressor for a total cost of \$48,740.02.

ACTION – MOTION: Director Sperling SECOND: Director Anagnos
Roll Call

AYES: Young, Sperling, Anagnos, Tamura
NAYES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

7.2 GRANT UPDATES

- A. FY 2020-FY 2021 San Joaquin Community Power Resiliency Project Grant Award – The grant was awarded for the generator in an approximate amount of \$36,000. The total cost of the generator is approximately \$37,000.

Motion to approve the purchase of a Generator for a total cost of approximately \$37,000.

ACTION – MOTION: Director Sperling SECOND: Director Anagnos
Roll Call

AYES: Young, Sperling, Anagnos, Tamura
NAYES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

Motion to surplus the old generator.

ACTION – MOTION: Director Sperling SECOND: Director Anagnos
Roll Call

AYES: Young, Sperling, Anagnos, Tamura
NAYES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

- B. FY 2020 Assistance to Firefighters Grants (AFG) Application – Water Tender – By consensus of the Board Chief Ramirez is directed to apply for a FEMA FY 2020 AFG Grant for the water tender. The water tender is approximately \$340,000. If the grant is awarded, the District cost share between 5%-10%. This grant is awarded is October 2021.
- C. 2022 California Office of Traffic Safety Grant Application – Liberty Fire – Chief Ramirez partnered with Liberty Fire to host a regional grant application for additional extrication equipment. Chief Ramirez and Captain Weber wrote the grant. The regional grant includes Liberty, Woodbridge, Lodi, and Mokelumne Fire. If awarded, this is a zero cost share grant.
- 7.3 LEASE OF NEW ENGINE – Chief Ramirez noted that the lease of the new engine has been approved. The engine is in Rancho Cardova and they are working on paint. The seats ordered were the wrong ones; however, they are being modified. The engine should be delivered next month.
- 7.4 RESERVE B. C. – Battalion Chief Matthew Duime was present to meet with the Board of Directors.
Motion to appoint Matthew Duime to the position of Reserve Battalion Chief with the agreement proposal as presented by Fire Chief Ramirez.

ACTION – MOTION: Director Sperling SECOND: Director Anagnos
Roll Call

AYES: Young, Sperling, Anagnos, Tamura
NAYES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

8. NEW BUSINESS:

8.1 NEW BOARD MEMBER

Motion to approve the appointment of J. Valente to the vacant Board position.

ACTION – MOTION: Director Sperling SECOND: Director Anagnos
Roll Call

AYES: Young, Sperling, Anagnos, Tamura
NAYES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

9. STAFF AND FIRE CHIEFS REPORT:

- 9.1 OPERATIONS – Chief Ramirez provided a report on the calls and automatic aid for the month of January.
- 9.2 FIRE PREVENTION/PUBLIC EDUCATION –Chief Ramirez noted that there was no activity due to Covid-19.
- 9.3 TRAINING – Captain Weber conducted the Academy for the new hires. The abandoned house across from Chevron was burned by the Fire District signage and social media was used to notify the public of the burn. Two new reserves participated in the burn. Firefighter Shawn Summers resigned and Firefighter Levi Alvarez took his position. Two firefighters are possibly leaving to Stockton Fire. They are currently waiting for their background checks to clear. If the firefighters are hired by Stockton Fire, they will resign on March 1, 2021. If the positions are open, they will be filled by Andy Mercado and Kalepi Tuavuo. They have been informed about the possible open positions.

10. EXECUTIVE (CLOSED) SESSION: None

11. ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 8:56 pm.

Next regular meeting will be held on March 3, 2021 at 7:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Frank Ramirez, Fire Chief


Board of Director Signature