

FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING

June 1, 2009
3111 Woodside Road
Woodside, CA 94062

Director Berger called the regular meeting of the WFPD Board of Directors to order at 7:20 pm.

Directors Present: Cain, and Berger & Gardner

Absent:

Staff: Fire Chief Armando Muela, Fire Marshall Denise Enea, B/C Dan Ghiorso & Business Manager Kate Edwards

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS – None

CONSENT AGENDA:

Items 1 – 4 and 6 of the agenda were moved to the consent agenda and unanimously approved.

REGULAR AGENDA:

Item 5: There was a short discussion on the Fiscal Year Spreadsheet. Director Berger stated his concern on the possibility of the State borrowing the District's reserves. Chief Muela and Business Manager Edwards informed the Directors that our preliminary budget for 2009-2010 had included an 8% reduction in revenues to cover any State reduction in tax revenue. The 2008-2009 Fiscal Spreadsheet was approved as submitted.

Item 7: GASB 45 legislation was discussed and ~~as was the possible what~~ financial impact ~~would be~~ on the Fire District ~~as the result of~~ reporting this liability. This new ~~requirement requires~~ law requires the Fire District ~~to include show on~~ our financial accounting for Other Post Employment Benefits (OPEB) or ~~(and?)~~ healthcare liability for fiscal year 2009-2010. The Board reviewed the actuarial ~~figures provided performed~~ by the Nicolay Consulting Group. ~~Nicolay~~The Nicolay Consultant Group presents two options for the Board to consider. ~~The first option requires~~ the Fire District ~~to~~ either enroll in a PERS investment trust fund, ~~investor invest~~ in other funding programs (PARS) ~~to which making~~ yearly contributions ~~are made.~~ ~~or second~~The second option is ~~to~~ pay the medical costs on a ~~year to year~~year-to-year base. If the Fire District's Board

elected to remain on a pay as you go ~~formula~~formula, the Fire District would carry this liability yearly. Director Berger questioned what the credit was for retired personnel who were on Medicare. Chief Muela informed Director Berger that all retired firefighters age 65 were automatically enrolled into Medicare. The difference in Medicare cost was based on annual income, and the Fire District received a discounted health care cost ranging from one hundred (100.00) dollars to two (200.00) dollars per month.

The Board directed Chief Muela to enroll ~~into~~ the CAL PERS Trust Fund by June 2010 and ~~to ask that he~~ recommend a yearly dollar contribution at ~~its~~ the next regular meeting. PERS Trust requires the Fire District to select state a yearly contribution amount but allows the Fire District to ~~contribute an~~ increased the amount yearly. The Fire District will perform an actuarial every two years.

Item 8: Director Cain reported on the last San Mateo County Pre-Hospital Emergency Medical Services Group (JPA) meeting. Director Cain reported that the JPA Board passed by ~~two-thirds~~two-thirds vote the Reauthorizing Agreement with amendments and the Automatic Aid agreement at its regular meeting held May 19, 2009. Director Berger motioned Chief Muela to draft a letter to the (JPA) informing them that Woodside Fire Protection District accepted the amendments to the Reauthorizing Agreement and Automatic Aid Agreement and would remain a member agency of the JPA. This was ~~seconded~~ by Director Gardner. The motion was carried 3-0.

STAFF REPORTS:

TRAINING – Chief Muela reported that the District has completed a Captains assessment center exam. There were five (5) candidates with four (4) passing the exam. The Captains list will be certified for 1 year with a sole option of the fire chief to extend the list for one added year. Ken Hargis and Associates performed the Assessment Center exam for the Fire District. Wild land fire fighting training with RCFD, BSCFD, FCFD, and CAL Fire have been conducted by WFPD in Portola Valley.

FIRE PREVENTION – Fire Marshall Denise Enea reported that there is an opportunity to apply for a DHS Grant for fire station reconstruction. The District will be working with a local architect to submit an application for reconstruction of Station #8. FM Enea also reported she has been working with multiple ~~home owners~~homeowners groups on fuel mitigation plans. The annual Chipper Program is in full swing and will be servicing all our neighborhoods ~~from~~ May through September. ~~the next two months.~~

EMS – Chief Muela reported that the ambulance responses are steady at 6.5. B/C Picchi was busy in-servicing new medical protocols slated to start July 1, 2009.

IT –All IT systems are up and running.

OPERATIONS – B/C Ghiorso discussed the current proposal for a complete new roof for station #7. The Board unanimously approved the contract. The roof replacement will begin the second week of June.

NEW BUSINESS: No new business reported

WRITTEN COMMUNICATION:

1. NCEFT sent a thank you for supporting their fundraiser event.
2. Peninsula Volunteers submitted a thank you letter for a dinner hosted by the Fire District crews at station 19.
3. Breathe California ~~thanking~~ thanked the Fire District for the use of Station 8 as a rest stop for their annual bicycle ride.
4. FCFD Fire Marshal John Mapes ~~thank~~ eding the Fire District for the use of the District's Safety Trailer and WFPD Public Education Specialist Selena Brown.

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CLOSED SESSION: No Closed session

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm.

The next meeting will be held on June ~~29th~~ 29.

Respectfully submitted,

Patrick Cain