



LINDEN – PETERS FIRE DISTRICT

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Member: Paul Castillou Jr.
Member: Kenneth “Kenny” Watkins III

Minutes of Board Meeting

Thursday, January 5, 2023

The meeting of the Linden–Peters Rural County Fire Protection District Board of Directors was called to order by President Jack Plotz at 7:00 PM, Members present: Vice President Thomas G. Watkins, Board Secretary David Frison, Board Member Paul Castillou, Jr, and Board Member Kenny Watkins III. Members Absent: None, L.P.F.D. on duty staff present: Fire Chief Kirk Noffsinger, Captain Marcel Mojalli, Lieutenant Rod Ruegsegger, FF/EN Tyler Watson, Firefighter Engineer Brandon Wright.

- (I.) Call to Order – 7:00 PM
- (II.) Roll Taken
Meeting minutes were taken by Chief Kirk Noffsinger.
- (III.) Public Comment – Mr. Fish
- (IV.) Minutes:
 - A. Discussion & Possible Action re: Regular Board Meeting Minutes – December 2022. Board Minutes approved on motion by D. Frison and seconded by K. Watkins III. Motion passed with a vote of 5-0.
- (V.) Board Committee Reports
 - A. Labor Negotiations Committee Report – Chief Noffsinger and Vice President Thomas G. Watkins reported that a meeting was held with staff concerning the request made by Labor Representative last month. Further discussion concerning the request would be held in closed session.
 - B. Finance Committee Report – Board Vice President Thomas G. Watkins reported that he and Secretary D. Frison met at 6PM before the regular meeting to look of the district’s financials. There were no discrepancies found.
- (VI.) Financial Summary and Report
 - A. Monthly Financial, Current events summary for December 2022 - Presented by Fire Chief Kirk Noffsinger. Fire Chief Kirk Noffsinger provided an overview of the financials for the month of December 2022 noting that the District did receive the tax income from the County on December 28th for \$1,450,550.79. With the addition of the tax income for the year the district’s total assets for the end of the year was \$2,866,820.33. The board had no questions concerning the financial report.
- (VII.) Consent Agenda:
 - A. Discussion & Possible Action re: Approval of the December 2022 Monthly Financial Reports and expenditures. As there were no questions concerning the monthly

financial report, a motion to approve the financial reports was made by P. Castellou, Jr. and seconded by D. Frison. Motion passed with a vote of 5-0.

(VIII.) Current Events Summaries, Reports, and/or Correspondence:

Current Events for the Linden-Peters Fire District months of December 2022 was presented by Fire Chief Kirk Noffsinger.

A. Departmental Report-Fire Chief Kirk Noffsinger:

Fire Chief Kirk Noffsinger provided an update on the events and meetings held for the month of December 2022. Captain Marcel Mojalli provided the Shift reports.

Chief Noffsinger provided the training report.

Fire Prevention - The Chief advised the board that he and Lieutenant Dahlenburg met with county code enforcement to discuss the MOU that is between San Joaquin County and fire district. There will be further discussions and once a draft MOU can be developed the chief will bring it back to the board for their review and approval.

Volunteer Reports – The report provided by the volunteer associated noted that the annual rib feed this year brought a total of \$23,057.42.

Chief Noffsinger provided an overview of the calls for the month of December which was 70 calls for service this was 8 more calls than last year in December. The overall calls for the year totaled 721 which was 144 less than the total calls for 2021.

Fire Investigation Unit report for December 2022. There were no call outs for the month.

B. Union Report – None

(IX.) Unfinished Business

A. Discussion & Possible Action Re: Training Prop – Single Family Residence Update

Mr. Fish was present at the meeting and the board approved to allow him to give an update on the Training Prop Project. This was an un-official presentation and the board agreed that no decisions would be made concerning this issue. Plans were provided to the board showing the location of the training site be located in the empty lot behind the Baptist Church located on highway 26.

There were a couple of documents provided that would need to be signed by the board. The board felt that it would be best to set up a committee to work on this project. President J. Plotz assigned Board Members K. Watkins III and P. Castellou Jr. as committee members. After further discussion the board felt that Captain J. Reed the department's training officer should also participate on this committee.

B. Discussion & Possible Action Re: New Engine Update

Fire Chief Kirk Noffsinger noted that there is no update at this time. The Chief had recently spoken to Hi-Tech and they were still waiting for the tank.

C. Discussion & Possible Action Re: San Joaquin County ARPA Funding

The Chief reported to the board that the county did approve two of the funding requests. One is the replacement of the command vehicle and the second is the replacement of the department's information sign. The county denied the COVID overtime funding. The Chief advised the board that there were other funding projects that would benefit the district. One being the installation of radio repeaters in engine 5-1 and new engine 5-2. Also the required amount the district would owe for the FEMA portable radio grant would also be covered.

D. Discussion & Possible Action Re: FEMA Regional Radio Grant

Chief advised the board that the Request For Proposal (RFP) was out and we are waiting for responses.

E. Discussion & Possible Action Re: Approval of Agreement between MacLeod Watts, Inc. and the LFPD to Conduct the June 30, 2022 OPEB Valuation; FYE 2023 GASB 75 Report; FYE 2024 GASB 75 Report for an Amount \$5925.00

Chief informed the board that he did not have any report on this matter. He would meet with staff to see if they had any information and would report back at the next meeting.

(X.) New Business

A. Discussion & Possible Action Re: Agreement to Become a Party to the Amended Joint Powers Agreement Creating the California Association of Mutual Water Companies Joint Powers Risk and Insurance Management Authority:

The Chief requested that the board approve this because our old insurance provider had dropped coverage and we needed to secure insurance for the station, equipment etc. This would be a six-month agreement. We would use this time to keep this group or find another carrier.

Motion was made by BM K.Watkins III to move forward with signing the agreement. Seconded by President J. Plotz. Motion was approved with a 5-0 vote.

(XI.) Board Questions and Comments

No questions or comments.

(XII.) Closed Session – None

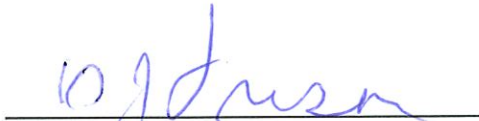
A. Conference with Labor Negotiators (§54957.6)
Agency Negotiator: Fire Chief Kirk Noffsinger


The board of directors went into closed session at 8:01 PM and returned to open session at 8:35 PM. President J. Plotz reported that no decisions were made in closed session and the only direction was for the negotiation committee meet with the firefighter's local to discuss offer.

(XIII.) Adjournment: Motion made by K. Watkins III and seconded by P. Castillou Jr. to adjourn the meeting. Being there was no further discussion the motion passed with a vote of 5-0. Motion carried and so ordered at 8:37 pm.


John E. Plotz, President


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