

February 20, 2024 Tuesday @ 6:00 PM
SIERRA COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT # 1
DIRECTORS MEETING AGENDA MINUTES

Location: Fire Station 82 @ 102 E Main Street, Sierraville, CA 96126 and
Verdi History Center, 740 W 2nd Street, Verdi, NV 89439.

This meeting will be conducted in person and via video conference. Those who wish to attend via video conferencing should use the following link:

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Meeting No. 2554 452 4695, Passcode: Sierra

CALL TO ORDER: 6:07 pm

Roll Call of Directors

{X} Tony Commendatore, Chairperson {X} Thomas Archer {X} Tom Rowson {X} Richard Maddalena
{X} Candy Hunter **remote/Verdi** {X} Victoria Fisher, Vice Chair {X} Jeff McCollum
Quorum **Yes**/No

PUBLIC INTRODUCTION: **Nanci Davis, volunteer Ben Edwards, Chief Mick Connolly, Clerk Kelly Champion**

PUBLIC COMMENT: Matters under jurisdiction of the Sierra County Fire Protection District #1, and not on the agenda, may be addressed by the Public at the beginning of the regular agenda and any off-agenda matters before the Board for consideration. However, California law prohibits the Board from taking action on any matter which is not on the posted agenda. Any member of the public wishing to address the Board during the "Public Comment" period will be limited to a maximum of five minutes.

None.

Moved item #1 Unfinished Business to here:

- 1. Presentation of Eastern Sierra Firefighter Auxiliary 2024 Tour de Manure plan- Nanci Davis was present from the non-profit, however, not speaking on behalf of Auxiliary board. Nanci was the individual who initiated the process of creating the 501c3. Mike & Laura joined as three people were needed to create the entity. Nanci saw the need to support the volunteers and felt the Tour was too good of a fundraiser to let go. She felt that it was a great community event for team building, comradery, and appreciation. Nanci told the story of why she felt moved to create the non-profit and gave a brief update of the event plan including registrations and donations received to-date for the June 1, 2024 event.**

Moved item #2 Unfinished Business to here:

- 1. Approval of MOU with Eastern Sierra Firefighter Auxiliary for Tour de Manure- Various discussions ensued regarding facility, apparatus and overhead costs. There were additional discussions related to donation collections. Direction was given to remove item J and ending sentence of item 6 from the draft MOU and bring back for approval at the next meeting. Chair Commendatore felt the district should maintain official ownership of the TdM.**

CORRESPONDENCE: **Grant assistance is available through the Sierra County Fire Safe Council for fuels reductions efforts, news article regarding campaign to renew EMS funding, miscellaneous emails received to clerk and forwarded to Directors.**

MINUTES APPROVAL: Approval of the Minutes: 1/16/24 **Minutes not available. Director Archer moved to table the item; Director McCollum seconded. 7 Ayes, motioned passed.**

FINANCIAL STATEMENT:

1. Review P&L, Balance Sheet, Report of Funds as of January 31, 2024 **H**
2. Approve Bill Payments **H**
3. Update on Fire Mitigation Fees **H**
Director Fisher moved to approved the financial statements, Director Rowson seconded. 7 Ayes, motioned passed.

REPORTS & REQUESTS FROM DISTRICT CHIEF, BATTALION CHIEFS AND EMS COORDINATOR:

1. Chief's Report (Response Summary, Fleet, Communications System, Facilities) **3 medical, 4 MVA and 4 fire calls (3 chimney and one controlled burn at Calpine transfer station). New radios charging up and Ben will program, will be in service this week.**
2. Training / Recruitment/ Retention **Training this week on the new radios. Will have a combined EMR/EMT refresher coming up.**

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Presentation of Eastern Sierra Firefighter Auxiliary 2024 Tour de Manure plan **see above, moved to discuss after Public Comment.**
2. Approval of MOU with Eastern Sierra Firefighter Auxiliary for Tour de Manure (Tom A) **H see above, moved to discuss after Public Comment.**
3. Status of MOU Between County and District for Filippini Road Water Storage Project (Tom R) **Dir. Rowson awaiting response from Supervisor Roen, will bring back to board when available.**
4. Review Draft 2024 Capital Improvement Plan (Rick) **H The draft CIP was reviewed and no changes were discussed. Dir. Hunter referred to the nexus between new development and the increase in demand for the infrastructure provided to serve the new development. She noted spending in relationship to the area the mitigation fees came in from. Dir. McCollum revisited installing a generator at the Sattley station.**
5. Update on Radio Replacement Project (Rick, Mick) **The Directors talked with Chief Connolly about the need for more radios and the use of older radios.**
6. Discussion of Hill Lane Realignment (Candy) **Dir. Hunter gave an update on the status of the matter.**
7. Approval of 2023 Annual Accomplishment Report (Candy/Rick) **H Chair Commendatore thanked Dir. Hunter and Maddalena for their work on the report and direction was given to Clerk to post and publish.**
8. Discussion Regarding Supply Exchange Issues (Victoria) **Dir. Fisher updated the Board on her work to gain clarity from EPHC and NorCal EMS on the supply acquisition process for SCFPD#1 and provided information related to one-time EMS inventory needs as well as ongoing supply orders. Collaboration efforts are in process with neighboring districts to update stock in the interim. A budget increase for EMS supplies was discussed.**
9. Update Regarding County MSAG Update/ 911NET Databases and Assisting with Evacuation Planning (Rick) **T Dir. Maddalena followed up with Brandon Pangman, Sierra County Planning Director to review information related to the SCFPD#1 response area.**

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Discussion, Budget, Action of Helicopter Dunk Tank and Water Storage Tanks Installation at Deerwater Airport in Sierraville (Tom R) **Dir. Rowson introduced the item and it was agreed to pursue the project in collaboration with the County.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMENTS: **None.**

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING: March 19, 2024 at 6:00pm in Sierraville

ADJOURNMENT: 8:17 pm

Key: **T** – Tabled from previous meeting **H** –Handout

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