



## Quincy Fire Protection District

### Board of Commissioner's Minutes

### Special Meeting September 29, 2020

### Feather River Bulletin Conference Room

- I. Chairman Taborski called the meeting to order at 7:30 am with Vice Chairman Johnny Mansell, Treasurer Andrew Ryback, Chief Cassou, District Secretary White and Jennifer Taborski present.
- II. Public Comment: None
- III. Chairman Taborski made a motion to approve the August 11<sup>th</sup> special meeting minutes, Treasurer Ryback second the motion, motion passed.
- IV. Financial Reports – Treasurer Andrew Ryback
  - a) Treasurer Ryback – Nothing to Report
  - b) No Claims to be signed.
- V. Fire Chief's Report -Chief Cassou

Chief Cassou gave an update on resource commitments for the North Complex and other fires.

  - a) During the period of August 17<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, and 19<sup>th</sup>, Quincy Fire deployed Engines 8124, 8125, 8123 OES 360 and Water Tender 8131 for several initial attack assignments during the Clairmont Fire (Note – The Claremont Fire later became the North Complex Fire). In addition, Engine 8124 and Water Tender 8131 worked on the Claremont Complex for a total of 21 days.
  - b) Firefighter/ Engineer Jonathan Medrano was loaned to Greenhorn Creek Fire to provide a driver for their second fire engine. Medrano spent two weeks supporting the preparation and suppression efforts in and around Greenhorn.
  - c) Captain Gay spent three days in Meadow Valley serving as the “Meadow Valley Structure Protection Taskforce Leader”. Captain Gay was responsible for coordinating the efforts of multiple pieces of fire apparatus to prepare, patrol and if necessary, provide fire suppression in and around the community of Meadow Valley.

- d) During the North Complex Fire we had some vehicle and equipment Damage.

Engine 8124 had two 2½" suction hoses damaged. A claim for the damaged hoses was placed with the incident management team and will be replaced at no cost to the district. 8124 would later suffer a failure of the fan assembly on the motor. As a result, 8124 was taken out of service pending the manufacture and acquisition of replacement parts.

Engine 8125 responded to replace 8124 on the incident and had a clutch failure. 8125 was removed from service. 8125 was taken to the County Road Department (Public Works) and was repaired in two days and returned to service.

Water Tender 8131 had reports of smoke coming from the area of the vacuum pump during drafting operations at Bucks Lake. When 8131 returned to town, I inspected and serviced the pump and there have not been any more reported problems.

- e) August Complex Fire (Mendocino) – Engine-360 responded to the August Complex with four firefighters and was gone for a week. The August complex is currently the largest fire in California history.
- f) Airport Crash Rescue – Traditionally the Quincy Fire Protection District provides crash rescue services at Gansner Field when there are large air operations activities taking place (usually three helicopters or more). Though requested, Quincy Fire was unable to supply an engine due to depleted staffing and vehicles.
- g) Zogg Fire – OES Engine 360 responded to the Zogg Fire in Shasta County and was gone for eight days.
- h) Coburn Street Structure Fire – On the evening of September 10<sup>th</sup>, Quincy Fire responded to a Structure fire at 160 Coburn Street with fire reported spreading to another structure. Upon arrival, Engine 360 found one structure with a well-established fire in the converted attic (bedroom). After deploying two 1¾" hose-lines 360's crew stopped the fire from spreading to adjacent structures and began knocking down the attic fire. Shortly after, five off-duty structure engines from the City of Los Angeles arrived with twenty-two firefighters to assist. Including the four structure engines, rescue squad, support truck and three chief officers Quincy Fire provided, a second strike-team (five engines) of OES engines also arrived to help. Needless to say, the fire was rapidly extinguished and overhauled. For our firefighters extinguishing the fire, it was an excellent training opportunity to see LA City Fire in action. During the fire, an onlooker suffered an apparent heart attack and collapsed. Between PDH's ambulance crew and the dozen or more LA City paramedics present, the patient received immediate CPR and was well cared for. Happily, the victim survived and was released from the hospital a few days later.
- i) Drills – Due to COVID19 and the North Complex Fires, two of our drills in August and one in September were cancelled. During August and September, we had two Officer's meeting, a Heat

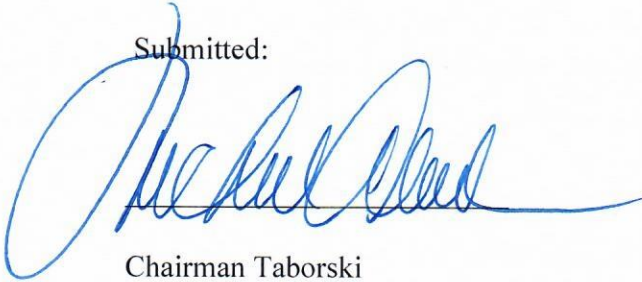
Emergencies class, an Auto Extrication class and a Live Fire training exercise. We also had a equipment and maintenance night (9/22/2020).

October's drills include an Officer's meeting (10/6/2020), Ropes and Knots on 10/13/2020, Mass Casualty Incident Management and Triage (10/20/2020) and Salvage & Overhaul training (10/27/2020).

**XIII** Other Business

**XIV.** The meeting adjourned by Chairman Taborski at 9:01 a.m.

Submitted:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Michael Taborski", written over a horizontal line.

Chairman Taborski

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