



Quincy Fire Protection District

Board of Commissioner's Meeting Minutes

for July 8, 2021,

Feather River Bulletin Conference Room

- I. Chairman Taborski called the meeting to order at 7:30 am with Treasurer Andy Ryback, Commissioner Johnny Mansell, Chief Cassou, and Administrative Secretary Karrie White present.
- II. Public Comment: None
- III. Approval of meeting minutes June 10, 2021, and June 17, 2021, special meeting minutes, Ryback made a motion to approve with Mansell seconding the motion. Motion approved.

Ryback requested to update the COVID-19 information on our agenda to reflect the current CDC's guidance. Secretary White to address this request.

- IV. Financial Report:
 - a. No financials available from county.
 - b. No claims to sign
- V. Fire Chief's Report: As reported by Chief Cassou
 - a. Last month we had 34 EMS calls and 12 fire calls for a total of 48 calls.
 - b. OES Engine 360 is on standby for the Beckwourth Fire Complex we put a crew together. Taborski questioned the CFAA payment agreement and how this pertains to our crew. Cassou informed the board that it is under the CFAA salary survey agreement with a \$2.00 an hour pay cut. We have not signed the Forest Service contract and neither have the other Fire Departments in the county.
 - c. Last month's drills: June 15, 2021: we had hazmat basic training, on June 22 we did a driver's skills course where we set up two skill courses at the airport, practiced turns, confined spaces, practice parallel parking, offset alley access, serpentine, ally dock and stick shift teaching skills.
 - d. This month's drills: July 13: Wildland Fires, the 10 standard firefighting orders and the 18 situations that shout washout fire, then we went to the courthouse and practiced fire shelter deployment.

- e. On July 20: Rappelling and knot tying at the drill station.
- f. On July 27: Deploying pre-connected hose lines. The captains will be taking their crews out to practice without running any water in the hoses due to the drought situation.
- g. We have decided to go back to doing dinners on the fourth Tuesday's. Captain David Schmid will be doing the dinner this month and the Commissioners in August.

We will be having the pancake breakfast on Aug. 21, The department will be shifting a few things to meet the guidelines of the CDC, wearing gloves, hairnets, setting up a few engine bays for extra seating for social distancing.

- h. On Dec.12 we will be once again doing the holiday party. It is nice to have some of these functions back again, having some normalcy for our department.
- i. On Dec. 15 John Gay is putting together a cooking and serving team for the community supper at the Methodist Church.
- j. The Fairgrounds asked us if we will be doing the Firefighters Muster at the fair this year and, due to the water restrictions, we will not be participating.
- k. Dale Ready, one of our volunteer firefighters, has been out doing our fire hydrant inspections; again we are not running any water through them just checking for any maintenance needed and if the couplings are working correctly. Dale is also doing the GPS updating for our maps where the hydrants are located.
- l. We elected two new Firefighter members: Josh Mundy, an auxiliary for two years, who finished the driver's operator course obtained his commercial license, graduated the Fire Academy 17, and completed an online Emergency Medical Responders class.

Riley Dupont, who also graduated the Fire Academy 17. Riley is on the National Registry as an EMT, completed 23 modules for our online Firefighter 1 training web-based course. Riley is making extra training sessions. Both of these additions are an asset to the department.

- m. We have two new Auxiliary members, Dakota Ross and Sean Harris who lives next to Station 3 and works at FRC.
- n. The new ladder truck #8161 is coming along nicely. I went to SPI to get the ladder truck weighed, SPI donated a weight certificate, which was a nice surprise. The ladder truck is registered and insured.

- o.** We received the North Complex Fire payment (\$233,208.03) from the Forest Service for last year's fire season. I also received an email on the VFA 50/50 matching grant that has been processed so we can expect payment any day now.
- p.** I am dealing with some inspections. One notable is the Charter School that will be going into East Quincy next to Caltrans, inspections are completed and signed off. The Plumas District Hospital Child Care Center inspection is finished, everything we needed to have done is completed and signed off.
- q.** Ryback addressed some previous items from last month's board meeting, one being the progress on the generator project. Cassou informed the board that Captain Correira is working on it with no immediate development. The other item was whether there was any progress on hiring a part-time assistant for Charlie, which there has not been any.

VI. Other Business

- a.** Taborski opened the floor for discussion on Station 2 replacement, no discussion.
- b.** Regarding the Butterfly Valley Annexation: Cassou said he has been speaking with LAFCO about our municipal service review, which he reported has not yet been completed. Cassou told the board that he does not see the Annexation of Butterfly Valley happening this year.
- c.** Possible action and purchase of Andy's Way property: Cassou handed out copies of appraisals on this property and reported receiving a call from executors of the estate regarding the possible acquisition of this property. Cassou brought to the board's attention the value of the usage of this property for parking and expanded training needs. He said it is going on the market in the next three weeks.

The board ensued in a detailed conversation bringing Mansell up to speed on previous meetings regarding the possible acquisition of Andy's Way. Mansell spoke in detail on the possibilities involved in making a purchase including his expertise in property prices.

Ryback made a motion to approve a capped purchase price up to \$225,000.00 on Andy's Way asking Cassou to make an initial offer to the estate trustees of \$185,000. Mansell seconded the motion. Motion approved.

- d.** Resolution 2021-0708-1, adopting the Appropriations Limit. Ryback made a motion to approve the resolution, Mansell seconded. Motion approved.

Conflict-of-interest resolution 2021-0708-2: Treasurer Ryback made a motion to approve, Mansell seconded the motion, motion approved.

Resolution 2021-0708-3, Property Tax Direct Charges. After a detailed conversation regarding the verbiage and the origin of document sources, Ryback, with reservations, made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Mansell. Motion approved.

VII. The meeting was adjourned by Chairman Taborski at 9:15 a.m.

Submitted:

Chairman Taborski

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