

MEETING MINUTES
Pioneer Fire Protection District
Board Meeting
Thursday, May 24, 2018 – 6:00PM
7061 Mount Aukum Rd., Somerset, CA 95684

Welcome to the Pioneer Fire Protection District Board Meeting. The Chairman of the Board of Directors will invite your comments regarding any item listed on our open session agenda. The Chairman may request that comments be limited to three (3) minutes for any item NOT listed on the agenda. The Brown Act prohibits the Fire Board from taking any action not listed on the agenda.

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

Roll Call

Directors Present: Marie Fitts, Eileen Strangfeld, Dave Pratt

Directors Absent: Phil Dayton

Salute to Flag

Adoption of Agenda

(M/S) Fitts / Strangfeld

Passed 3-0

2.0 NEW BUSINESS

2.1 Closed session: PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENT. Title: Fire Chief.

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957(b), the Board will consider candidates for appointment to Fire Chief

Director Pratt outlined the purpose for meeting today was to interview for Chief's position. There will be a board panel and an interview panel. The interview panel is a standalone committee solely for the purpose of interviewing for Chief. It is an advisory committee that will be dissolved once this day has been completed. The interview panel consists of Clive Savacool, Chief from Garden Valley Fire Protection District, Dan Dwyer, the past interim Chief and PVFA representative, Chief George Selig, the current interim chief, a representative from the local fire fighters union and 2 community representatives, one gentleman from the Showcase Ranches community who has a fire fighter background, and one from the Grizzly Flats Fire Safe Council.

2.2 Action Item: Consideration of Advisory Committee Recommendation Regarding Chief Appointment and Recruitment.

Report out from the Interview Panel Provided by Representative Clive Savacool. After interviewing both candidates for some time we recommend Mark Matthews. He has an extensive background and knowledge of the fire service, articulates himself well, and has a good background with labor management and mutual aid programs. It was a unanimous recommendation by the panel.

Designation was made that the chief's position should be designated as an "at will" position during contract negotiations. Chief Clive Savacool offered to modify his contract with the details of our employment contract and provide a template for the district to use.

2.3 Closed session: PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENT. Title: Fire Chief.

Report out by the board: By a 3-0 vote the board appoints Mark Matthews pending satisfactory conditions of employment and agreement as the next Chief.

2.4 Discussion and action: Designation of Board Representatives for Labor Negotiations Regarding Fire Chief Contract

Nominations for Dave and Eileen were made for the Ad hoc Labor Negotiations committee

Motion to Make Directors Dave Pratt and Eileen Strangfeld will be the ad hoc negotiations committee for the Chief position.

(M/S) Fitts/Pratt

Passed 3-0

2.5 Closed session: Conference With Labor Negotiators;

Report out by Director Pratt. We discussed several things for consideration in negotiations and it is up to the negotiation committee to work it out.

Agency designated representatives to be provided in report out from Item 2.3 Unrepresented Employee: Chief

3.0 ADJOURN MEETING

(M/S) Strangfeld/Fitts

Meeting adjourned at 7:21 pm

Passed 3-0


Board Signature

Note: All Board meetings are recorded.

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