

# PIONEER FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

Board of Directors Board Meeting

July 9, 2024 Minutes

Tony Marcaccio-Board Chair, Tina Holum-Vice Chair, Judy Hobson-Secretary, Randy Rossi-Director, Candance Flaming-Director

## **Mission Statement**

To provide a professional and compassionate level of community fire protection, emergency medical and rescue services to the citizens and property owners within the Fire District, in order to prevent or minimize the loss of life, pain, suffering and property damage as a result of fire or other types of emergencies.

The July 9<sup>th</sup>, 2024 6:00 PM meeting was conducted in person at 7061 Mt. Aukum Rd. Somerset, CA 95684.

To have quorum meeting started late at 6:37pm

## MINUTES

### 1. CALL TO ORDER and DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

1.1 Roll Call Present – Marcaccio, Hobson, Holum

Absent: Flaming, Rossi

Administration : Chief Whitt, Admin Vierra

1.2 Pledge of Allegiance – Director Hobson

### 2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA AND APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR

2.1 Administration recommends the BOD approve: Minutes from June 11, 2024 Board Meeting.

Administration recommends the BOD approve: Payment of bills – green sheets for June 2024

Motion to adopt agenda and accept consent calendar.

(M/S) Hobson/Holum

Passed 3/0

### 3. PUBLIC COMMENT (Open Forum)

No Public Comment

### 4. MONTHLY/STANDING ACTIVITY REPORTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:

#### 4.1 Administrative/Chief's Report

Chief Whit gave brief overview of Chief's report as printed in the board packet.

**TO:** Pioneer Fire Protection District Board of Directors  
**FROM:** David Whitt, Fire Chief  
**PREPARED BY:** David Whitt, Fire Chief  
**DATE:** July 9, 2024  
**ITEM:** July Board of Director's Meeting: Chief's Report for the Month of June  
**RECOMMENDATION:** Receive information about the District

#### Calls For Service in April:

<u>Call Type</u>	<u>May</u>	
Fire	3	
Rescue and Emergency Medical	33	
Hazardous Condition (no fire)	0	
Service Call (Public Assist)	2	
Cover other districts stations	8	
Good Intent	11	
False Alarm	3	
Special Incident	0	
TOTAL	60	
Fire Loss Total	\$ 0	\$ 50,000

#### Apparatus

- Not all front-line apparatus is in service ...

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- E-38 is back in the shop with another blown head gasket. It has been opined by our new mechanic that it was from faulty work at Cummins Diesel. Cummins and I have had a chat, and they are investigating. Not sure what the outcome will be as their shop is under significant challenges.
- Water Tender 38 is in the shop but nearly complete, waiting on parts still.

### Facilities

- Air compressor has been installed and is working at Station 32.
- T-Mobile has contacted us to put in a cell tower on our property at Station 32. Currently examining the contract.
- The well for Station 31 is no longer working. Hammond who looked at the well a couple of years ago has been notified. Rumsey-Lang visited the site to do see what is wrong with the well. Their estimate was in excess of \$12,000.00 to repair/replace.
- USFS has been in contact with us for utilities reimbursement.

### Personnel

- Interviewed three Firefighter candidates for our open spot. Still in process.
- Two personnel have returned from Paramedic Boot Camp in Boston for the manipulative training. They both did well and they now get to start their field internships.

### Administration

- Continuing with to upgrading our IT including 22TB backup drive, looking at pricing for computers, Wi-Fi, and server access.
- Did a “Staff Ride” with a few members of the El Dorado County Fire Safe Council, our local Fire Safe Councils, El Dorado County Administration, Cal Fire, the U.S. Forest Service, and a consultant group to Omo Ranch, Fairplay, and Outingdale. This was in preparation for the Community Wildfire Prevention Plan (CWPP) that is being updated. Product should be out sometime for review after the New Year.
- Met with several allied agencies and fire service partners.

**OPTIONS:** The Chief’s Report is for informational purposes. The Board of Directors may take one or more of the following actions:

- 1) Provide Staff with comment.
- 2) Provide Staff with additional direction.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** As noted in the report.

**ACTION PLAN:** None.

**RELATED ACTION(S):** None.

#### **5.2 Local #4586**

Chief Whitt reported on behalf of Local 4586 and gave brief overview of the need for new Turnouts. Costs are approximately \$2500 a set, \$20,000.00 to replace for all 6 full-time staff.

#### **5.3 PVFA**

Jerry Jumper gave brief report about Team Rubicon. 90 Properties in our community were served with over 450 volunteers over the course of the project.

#### **5.4 Affiliated Organization Reports**

GFFSC – Dave Manske gave brief report - Fire Wise day went well.

#### **5.5 Financial**

Chief Whitt reviewed financials as provided in the board packet.

#### **5.6 Standing Finance Committee Report**

Plan to meet sometime in August prior to the board meeting.

### **5. OLD BUSINESS**

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**5.1 Board of Directors Policy Manual Review Update**

The Board elected to keep it as a draft and vote on it at a later date. We are waiting to hear back from Lexipol.

**5.2 Station 31 Building Project**

The project is still in FEMA Final Review.

**5.3 District Rural Water Supply**

Nothing new to report.

**5.4 Water Storage Tank at Omo Ranch & Fairplay**

Discussion took place surrounding moving forward with the Omo Ranch/Fairplay water storage project and funding.

**5.5 Lexipol**

Still waiting for them to return our call.

**6. NEW BUSINESS**

**6.1 Fechter & Company Engagement Letter for Audit**

Motion to accept and sign Fechter & Company Engagement for Audit.

M/S Hobson/Marcaccio

Passed 3/0

**6.2 Conflict-of-Interest Code Review for the Year 2024**

Motion to Accept Conflict of Interest Code

M/S Hobson/Marcaccio

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Marcaccio, Hobson, Holum

Nay: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: Flaming, Rossi

Passed 3/0

**7. CORRESPONDENCE AND COMMUNICATIONS/BOARD MEMBERS COMMENTS (GOOD OF THE ORDER)**

None

**8. AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED BOARD MEETING**

5.1, 5.2, 5.3, 5.5

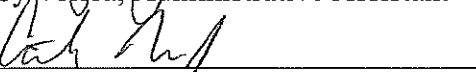
**ADJOURNMENT**– Motion to Adjourn

(M/S) Hobson/ Marcaccio Passed 3/0 Meeting adjourned 8:23p.m.

**NEXT REGULAR BOARD MEETING SCHEDULED FOR Tuesday, August 13<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.**

Prepared by:

  
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Joy Vierra, Administrative Assistant

  
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Chair BOD

8-13-2024  
Date