WEST POINT FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING, WEDNESDAY AUGUST 4, 2021 MINUTES

6:00 P.M. West Point Station and Zoom Call In

Chairman Steve Schoenthaler called the meeting to order. Directors Schoenthaler, Julia Marsili and Bryce Randall were present. Directors Greg Pryor and John Hesketh were absent. Also present were Chief Terry Miller, CERT Reps Sam and Kathy Hernandez, Firefighter Eddie Neilson and Clerk Jill Jenkins.

THE MINUTES of the last meeting held on July 7, 2021 were reviewed. Bryce made the motion to adopt the minutes as written. Steve seconded the motion. The minutes were adopted with 3 votes.

CORRESPONDENCE for the month was presented. Jill explained the Employment Development Dept. sent a check refunding a payment made through the county. Then they sent a bill for the same amount. Jill was instructed to make the deposit to the Bank of Stockton account and then pay the bill from the same account.

BOARD MATTERS- Resolution 2021.5 which states that the WPFPD Board of Directors accepts the results of the election held on 5/4/21 was reviewed. Steve made the motion to adopt the resolution. Julia seconded the motion. The resolution was adopted with 3 votes. Jill read a proposal from Cathy Castillo, CPA for the audit of fiscal year 2020-2021. Bryce made the motion to accept Cathy's proposal and hire her for the audit. Steve seconded the motion. Cathy's proposal was accepted with 3 votes.

THE CERT REPORT was presented in written format and is attached to these minutes.

THE ASSOCIATION'S REPORT- none.

THE CHAPLAIN'S REPORT- Terry reported that Carolyn has gone on a couple of calls which involved deaths.

THE WEBSITE REPORT was presented by Sam Hernandez who stated he will post the minutes that were adopted this evening. He said the domain name will be due in November for a \$72.00 annual fee. He said he'll update the "Board" email contact list.

THE DISTRICT'S PAYABLES were reviewed in 2 transmittals: The regular bills totaling \$5235.26 and the 6/25/21Cal Card statement totaling \$1776.91. Jill presented 2 checks for Cal Fire responses totaling \$27,521.61. She was asked to deposit both checks to the county fund. Bryce made the motion to pay the 2 transmittals as presented. Steve seconded the motion. The bills were paid with 3 votes.

NEW BUSINESS- Julia asked about the upcoming Lumberjack Day event and if the Directors need to do anything. Terry and Bryce stated everything is moving forward as usual.

OLD BUSINESS-Bryce asked if the Chief transition is going well. Terry said yes and he's recruiting new staff.

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT- Terry stated he emailed the Directors updates for income and expenses regarding both the Tamarack Fire and the River Fire. He said we currently have an engine and 3 responders at the Dixie Fire. He reported that we've had a higher number of calls within the district due to lift assists and sees this will be the future as the population gets older. Bryce reported he's selling properties to younger people as they can now work from home. Terry said our district is responding to the Glencoe area more frequently also. Julia asked if there should be a discussion in the future about redistricting Glencoe into the West Point Fire district and charging for the special tax. Steve stated he's aware that the homeowners in Glencoe are paying more for their insurance resulting from the lack of responses from Central Fire District. Terry stated we are operating under the mutual aid agreement that was already signed. Terry said he's keeping track of the mutual aid responses to review. He said he's currently implementing station staffing with 2 responders and has at least 2 applicants right now. He said the new pay scale will help attract new applicants. Steve thanked Terry for doing a very responsible job. Terry said E-316 is back in service and the water tender will be fixed by 8/6.

BOARD MEMBER'S COMMENTS- Julia had the idea of meeting every other month but said no need to discuss right now. She said she will be absent for the September meeting.

THE MEETING ADJOURNED at 6:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jill M. Jenkins, Clerk

Response:

MVA: Aug 3

Picked up FF from Pine Grove LZ and returned to station: Jul 14

Events:

Completed:

Scheduled: Lumberjack Day

Personnel:

5 Active Members; (2 EMR)

2 New Trainees

Training:

Completed:

Scheduled: Skill drills for Trainees, TBD

Equipment:

Misc. Info:

Started having monthly meeting with Chief Miller

CERT Meetings:

Training – Aug 18; @ 1800

Training - Sep 15; @ 1800

Business Meeting - Oct 20; @ 1800