

Peardale-Chicago Park
Fire Protection District

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS

June 11, 2009 Call to Order 7:00 pm Meeting Minutes

1. Roll call of Board and Introduction of Guests:

Board Members Present: Cheryl Domnitch
Dave Collins
John Felde
Barney Dewey
Carl Van Son

Board Members Absent:

Others Present: Chief Jim Bierwagen
Battalion Chief Ken Hood
Secretary Debbie Bierwagen
Larry Eckman

2. Approval of the Agenda/Additions to the Agenda: **John Felde moved to approve the agenda as presented. Dave Collins seconded. Passed with 5 ayes.**

3. Public Input: Mr. Eckman had two items of note. The first was that he had received his board packet the day after the board meeting. The second item was that because of this, he did not have a chance to address the Seasonal Firefighter position and the issue of sick leave for a temporary employee, specifically "with no credit at separation". The board noted his concern and directed Secretary Bierwagen to place the item on next month's agenda.

4. Minutes of May 14, 2009: **John Felde moved to accept the minutes with the correction of "Board Members Absent" should not reflect the Fire Chief's absence. Dave Collins seconded. Passed with 4 ayes.** (Carl Van Son abstained.)

5. JPA Meeting Update: Cheryl Domnitch reported that Joann Drummond from the Fire Safe Council was at the meeting and explained what Fire Safe Council was about, as well as what funding issues they were having. Some fire districts made donations to the FSC, and Cheryl noted to our board that she would like to suggest we discuss such a donation. It was decided to place the item on our next agenda. The Preliminary Budget was also approved at the meeting. The repeaters were discussed, cancellation of firework sales, and the update on LAFCo becoming a county agency.

6. Administrative Report (Bierwagen):

A. Administrative Report: Chief Bierwagen reported that the department responded to 26 incidents, one of note was a drowning in the Bear River. He also reviewed the Chief's Comments and noted that the semi-annual small engine maintenance had been completed, and two firefighters had graduated from the FFI Academy.

B. Purchase Request: none

C. Communications Received: none

7. Financial Report (Van Son):

A. Warrants: Carl Van Son reported that the total warrants written for the month were \$24957.27.

B. Presentation & Adoption of FY 2009/2010 Preliminary Budget: Chief Bierwagen reported the changes in the preliminary budget to the board. Barney Dewey noted that he had discussed the 3% increase in revenue with someone from Placer County, and felt this amount to be too high and was unsure if we should plan to receive that much in revenue. It was noted that we could always adjust the amount before adopting the Final Budget in September. **Carl Van Son moved to adopt the FY 2009/2010 Preliminary Budget as presented. Dave Collins seconded. Passed with 5 ayes.**

C. Board Review & Approval of Resolution 2009-02 To Authorize Nevada County Tax Collector to Collect Special Taxes for FY 2009/10: **John Felde moved to approve Resolution 2009-02 as presented. Carl Van Son seconded. Passed with 5 ayes.**

D. Board Review & Acceptance of In-Budget Transfers FY 2008/09: **Carl Van Son moved to approve the In-Budget Transfers as presented. Barney Dewey seconded. Passed with 5 ayes.**

E. Board Review & Approval of Surplus Equipment: Chief Bierwagen explained the items on the list of surplus equipment and noted that the hose was being donated to CSFA. **John Felde moved to approve the surplus items as presented. Barney Dewey seconded. Passed with 5 ayes.**

8. Personnel Report (Felde): none
9. Equipment/Facilities Projects (Collins): Dave Collins asked Chief Bierwagen to give an update on the new utility vehicle. Chief Bierwagen noted that the lights and radio were being installed, with the skid mount pump installation to follow within a month. The vehicle would be in service in a week.
10. Old Business:
 - A. Highway Sign - Report from Committee: Dave Collins reported that he had received two bids for signs and the board reviewed the details. It was decided to have an action item on next month's agenda for approval of a sign. Dave also noted that he would donate 8 hours to installation of the sign.
 - B. Update on Residential Vegetation Clearance Education Program: Dave Collins reported that since items 10A and 10C are being discussed each month, we should delete this item from the agenda. The other board members agreed.
 - C. Continued Website Discussion: Dave noted that the sign needed to include the website address once we have one. Cheryl asked who was responsible to obtain a URL; Barney said he could help with that and noted that we should use "pcpfire.com" and "pcpfire.org". Mr. Eckman wanted to know if the person doing the website would establish the URL. Barney answered his question. Chief Bierwagen noted that he had no new information on the website development and the board directed him to continue to move forward.
11. New Business:
 - A. Board Discussion of 911 Emergency Phones for Station 57 & Station 257: BC Ken Hood handed out information on these phones and reported that the phones cost \$98 each. There is an additional cost for the housing for the phone, and it is recommended that the phone company do the wiring. Carl noted that he would contact NorCal Electric and check on the cost for the weather-proof housing. Next month, approval of phones, housing & signs for each, and installation should be on the agenda.
12. Agenda Items for Next Meeting: Seasonal Firefighter sick leave discussion; donation to Fire Safe Council; continued discussion of highway sign; continued website discussion; 911 Emergency Phones; & adoption of standards for training program.
13. Adjournment of Meeting: 8:20 p.m.

Deborah A. Bierwagen
District Secretary

Approved By: