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ACTION SUMMARY MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING

BOARD OF DIRECTORS
SACRAMENTO METROPOLITAN FIRE DISTRICT
Thursday, May 10, 2018
10545 Armstrong Avenue – Board Room
Mather, California

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by President Barnes. Board members present: Barnes, Clark, Gayle, Goold, Jones, Orzalli, Sheetz, and Wood. Board members absent: Kelly. Staff present: Acting Chief Casentini, Board Clerk Penilla, and General Counsel Lavra.

PLEDGE TO FLAG

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

Director Barnes announced Closed Session Item # 1 has been removed from the agenda.

CONSENT ITEMS

Action: Moved by Clark, seconded by Jones, and carried (Ayes: Barnes, Clark, Goold, Jones, Orzalli, Sheetz, and Wood; Abstain: Gayle; Absent: Kelly) to adopt the Consent Calendar as follows:

1. Action Summary Minutes

Recommendation: Approve the Action Summary Minutes for the Board meeting of April 26, 2018.

Action: Approved the Action Summary Minutes.

2. Copter 2 Repair – Water Tank Expenditure

Recommendation: Approve the purchase of the Simplex Water Tank in the amount of \$120,680 to be reimbursed by Westchester Fire Insurance.

Action: Approved the purchase of the Simplex Water Tank to be reimbursed by insurance.

Director Gayle left the meeting at 6:04 PM and did not return.

ACTION ITEMS

1. Sacramento Local Agency Formation Commission – Selections for the Consolidated Redevelopment Oversight Board (Board Clerk Penilla)

A. Select a representative for the Consolidated Redevelopment Oversight Board

B. Select an alternate for Consolidated Redevelopment Oversight Board

Recommendation: Select one representative and one alternate for the Consolidated Redevelopment Oversight Board in Sacramento County.

Action: Moved by Jones, seconded by Goold, and carried unanimously by members present to select Amanda Thomas as the representative and Jeff Frye as the alternate.

2. Formal Bid Award – Logistics Asphalt Replacement

(Facilities Manager, George Gravin)

Recommendation: Approve the formal bid award for asphalt replacement to the lowest responsible, qualified bidder.

Action: Moved by Wood, seconded by Goold, and carried unanimously by members present to award the formal bid to Central Valley Engineering and Paving in the amount of \$225,500.

3. FY 2017 State Homeland Security Grant Program Award

(Administrative Specialist/Econ Development, Erin Castleberry)

Recommendation: Adopt the resolutions to accept the grant award and amend the FY 2017/18 Mid-Year Budget.

Action: Moved by Clark, seconded by Goold, and carried unanimously by members present to adopt Resolution No. 2018-052 and Resolution No. 2018-053 accepting the Homeland Security Grant.

4. Equipment Lease Financing *(Controller, Ron Empedrad)*

Recommendation: Adopt the resolution to authorize the Fire Chief and CFO to Execute the Equipment Lease schedule with Chase.

Action: Moved by Wood, seconded by Goold, and carried unanimously by members present to adopt Resolution No. 2018-054.

5. Industrial Disability Retirement – Jeffrey Vitti

Recommendation: After discussion in Closed Session, consider adopting a Resolution finding retired Captain Jeffrey Vitti has not suffered job related injuries and direct staff to work with retired Captain Vitti through his Industrial Disability Retirement process with CalPERS.

Action: Moved by Jones, seconded by Wood, and carried unanimously by members present to adopt Resolution No. 2018-055.

REPORTS

1. PRESIDENT’S REPORT: No report.

2. FIRE CHIEF’S REPORT:

Retirement

Effective 5/1, Battalion Chief Steve Turner with over 28 years of service

Promotion

Effective 5/1, Battalion Chief Adam Mitchell

Effective 5/15 Engineers:

Thomas Martin
Thomas DeGrace
Casey Carlile
Igor Zalutskiy
Brian Anderson
Gregory Green
Chris Gregory
David Sutton
Scott Salvatori
Kyle Rutherford
Ryan McMahon
James Lyda
Bastian Golladay
Andrew Ramer
Jon Grindy
Mark Rogers

It should be noted that 1/3 of the promoted candidates originated in the SRP Program.

Reclassification

Effective 5/1, Fire Inspector I Marcus Renteria, previously a Probationary Firefighter.

Meetings Attended

5/4, Staff, Director Goold, and guests attended the Annual Public Safety & Community Appreciation Luncheon

Attendees included:

Director Grant Goold
Assistant Chief Maurice Johnson
Captain Chris Vestal
Captain Brian Gonsalves
Community Relations Coordinator Chris Dargan
Community Relations Specialist Rebecca Alessandri
Firefighters Burn Institute Executive Director Mike Daw
Firefighters Burn Institute Youth Firesetter Program Manager Jennifer Cannon

5/4-5/10 Chief Harms is currently attending the IAFC Metro Fire Chiefs Conference in San Antonio, TX. This is a group of the Nation's 100 largest fire departments, so it is great having him attend and represent Metro Fire.

5/9, Deputy Chief Casentini and Assistant Chief Johnson attended the Disaster Readiness for Safe Communities Press Conference. This event took place on the South Steps of the State Capitol with State lawmakers, fire chiefs, firefighters, elected officials, and Engine 63 as the backdrop. The goal was to advocate for increased mutual aid funding for local fire agencies; secure increased funding to modernize the Mutual Aid system and fund pre-positioning before wildfires and other significant disasters hit; the end goal is to allocate \$100 million in the budget.

Misc.

On behalf of former Board Member Roger Mitchell, I would like to thank the crew from Engine 111 and Medic 111 that assisted with the transport of Roger's wife last Friday. He is very appreciative of the care and excellent level of service that was provided.

OPERATIONS REPORT

Assistant Chief Wagaman gave the Operations Report letting everyone know as of April 26th Metro Fire responded to approximately 3,000 calls, of which 2,704 were EMS related with a 72% transport rate.

The new engineers are participating in an engineer academy located at the Fleet Division. This gives them a chance to hone their new skills for success in their new positions.

With the seasons changing quickly, AC Wagaman reminds the community to be safe when cutting dry grass. Also, expect the north wind to increase over the next few days. Lastly, with the declaration of fire season, additional resources will dispatch on fires with the goal of extinguishing them before getting out of hand.

3. SMFD – FIREFIGHTERS LOCAL 522 REPORT:

Vice President Jamison also attended the event at the Capitol. He was proud to join management, labor leaders, and CPF President Brian Rice. It was great to witness President Rice make his first speech, and believes he will do a great job representing the Sacramento area and Local 522.

Recently during labor management meeting the dialogue has been open and productive, for example hiring and EMS. If you look back at the history of Metro Fire, it wasn't long ago that the fire service was experiencing the same problems in hiring from a scarce applicant pool. In 2002 a document was written to address the challenges, sometimes it is good to look back and apply those same concepts to what we currently experience.

4. COMMITTEE AND DELEGATE REPORTS

All Committee Meetings will be held at the Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District Board Room, 10545 Armstrong Avenue, Mather, California unless otherwise specified.

A. Executive Committee – (Barnes)

Next Meeting: TBD

B. Communications Center JPA – (AC Johnson)

Next Meeting: Tuesday, May 22, 2018 at 9:00 AM

AC Johnson announced the meeting on the 22nd has been cancelled, and has not been rescheduled. During the last meeting they adopted a Position Authorization Document for the first time in the history of their organization.

C. California Fire & Rescue Training JPA – (DC Shannon)

Next Meeting: Thursday, June 21, 2018 at 4:00 PM

Location: California Exercise Simulation Center (CESC)
10545 Armstrong Avenue, Suite 320
Mather, CA 95655

D. Finance and Audit Committee – (Kelly)

Next Meeting: Thursday, May 24, 2018 at 5:00 pm

E. Policy Committee – (Goold)

Report Out: Thursday, May 10, 2018 at 5:30 pm

The Policy Committee met earlier and reviewed a policy on policies. The goal is to review policies every five years.

Next Meeting: TBD

BOARD MEMBER QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS

The Board collectively congratulated Brian Rice on his election as CPF President. It is a great opportunity to have a leader representing Sacramento at the state level.

Director Goold shares the importance of Metro Fire planning for wild fire season and thinking about prevention. He thanked all employees, this organization is second to none!

Director Orzalli works with people who have lost their homes to fire. He reminds every one of the importance of having irreplaceable items in a safe and secure area.

Director Clark thanked staff for the reports. He congratulated those who received promotions. He offers prayers to Roger Mitchell and his family.

Director Wood thanked Acting Chief Casentini for the statistic related to the SRP candidate's success with the engineer promotions. He was happy to see an arrest was made in the mobile home fire. Lastly, he reminds every one of the tropical affair on Saturday, June 23rd.

Director Sheetz congratulated BC Turner on his retirement, and BC Mitchell and the engineers on their promotions. Her prayers are also with Roger Mitchell during this time.

Director Jones reiterates the thoughtful and touching comments from her fellow Directors. She remembers working with BC Turner as PIOs, she congratulated him on retirement. Lastly, she thanked VP Jamison for the historical perspective regarding hiring.

Director Barnes congratulated the arson division on the arrest. Staging equipment "if it's predictable, it's preventable", great to see Metro Fire supporting future plans with the work done at the Capitol this week. Congratulations to BC Turner, and Fire Inspector Renteria for remaining in the organization even after sustaining an injury.

The Board recessed to Closed Session at 6:35 PM.

CLOSED SESSION

- 1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – PENDING LITIGATION**
Pursuant to California Government Code Section 54956.9 (a) – One (1) case
Tracey Valentine v. SMFD – Case No. 2:17-CV-00827-KJM-EFB
Action: This item was removed from the agenda, no discussion took place.

2. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – PENDING LITIGATION
Pursuant to California Government Code Section 54956.9 (a) – One (1) matter of Industrial Disability Retirement

- A. Jeffrey Vitti and the Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District
Claim # SMDH - 548128 – Industrial Disability Retirement –
Deputy Chief Gregory Casentini

Action: No action taken.

Reconvened to Open Session at 6:49 PM.

ADJOURNMENT

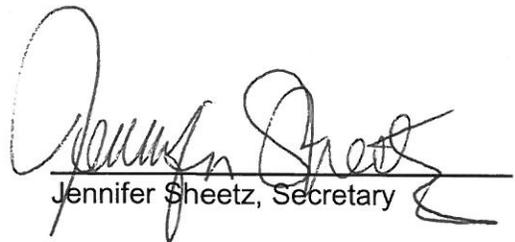
The meeting was adjourned at 6:52 PM



Jim Barnes, President



Melissa Penilla, Clerk of the Board



Jennifer Sheetz, Secretary