

SCOTT VALLEY *FIRE* PROTECTION DISTRICT A California Special District

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BOARD MINUTES July 9, 2020

Summarized **MINUTES** from a regular Board of Commissioners meeting of Scott Valley Fire Protection District, Greenview, California. The meeting was held on Thursday July 9, 2020 and was opened at 6:00 p.m. by Chair Larry Alexander. Present were Board members Jay Akerman, Kathleen Williams, and Kevin Hullquist. Assistant Chief Scott Frick and Administrative Officer Nancy Salucci were also present. Due to Covid-19 concerns, the meeting was held in the Greenview Station, rather than the board room, allowing 6' spacing between participants and masks were worn. According to Chair Alexander, government orders regarding public meetings were met. **PUBLIC COMMENTS** None

Chief Paul Buchter (Excused absence)

Assistant Chief Scott Frick

<u>New firefighter applications, deletions from roster</u> One new application has been received and the two recent applicants have been attending drills to observe. There has been a "large call volume—2-3 per day," per Assistant Chief Frick.

Finding a new home for Scott River Station emergency response vehicles

• It is now really difficult to access our engines and find a parking place at the Scott River Station. Captain Lloyd Pearson has offered his barn on Scott River Rd. to house our vehicles. We would need to do some insulating and move the heater.

• Commissioner Hullquist again offered his ranch as a place to build a station and also suggested we are welcome to connect a hydrant to his irrigation system. The board approved installing a hydrant and Hullquist will bring a cost estimate to our August meeting. Hullquist offered a 99-year lease and agreed to pay for a meter. The board sees no conflict of interest.

• The consensus was that we should move ahead now on both the hydrant project and relocating the vehicles to Pearson's. Assistant Chief Frick will confirm plans with Captain Pearson.

Scott Valley Fire and Rescue Alliance Report No meeting was held.

Training/Safety/Injury and Illness Prevention Program monthly report Recent fires were reviewed and lightning safety was discussed.

<u>Highlights of monthly incidents</u> Mostly medical calls. Due to COVID-19 concerns, there is a "high dispatch of all local departments" so no out-of-county agencies are brought into Siskiyou County, nor are locals being sent away.

Continuing/New business

- RT 130 class was held so we can get red cards to all participants.
- The Kellems Lane brush clearing project is nearly completed. The County is removing stumps and expanding the road for two-way ingress/egress.
- There were several vehicle repairs this month, including 1534, 1516, and 1530. All are now back in service.
- At a recent CalFire meeting, Assistant Chief Frick learned that by 2023 the OES and CalFire contract will call for all-digital communications, with tone protection and 5,000 channels. Vehicle (mobile) radios will cost \$2700 each (14 vehicles = \$37,800) and handhelds \$1600 each (20 firefighters = \$32,000). The chiefs will apply for an AFG grant. Our local OES representative, Jason Vela, will speak with the state OES officers to see if there is a "work around." In the interim, Frick advised that SVFPD should plan to purchase 2 handhelds and 2 mobile units for the chiefs and strike team engines. Chief Bernie Paul has been buying the handhelds on the CalFire VFA 50%/50% grant for years.

Administrative Officer Salucci

Confirm Revised Budget The Board approved the revised budget worksheet showing a Recommended Budget of \$113,560.00 income (excluding CalFire and OES strike team participation) and \$163,500 expenses (including \$30,000 for a building). Motion to approve 2020-2021 Revised Budget Williams/2nd Hullquist. All Aves. Passed.

Budget transfers Transfer \$9500 from Contingencies into Special Department Expense to cover unanticipated expenses for equipment repairs, pump testing, purchase of firefighting clothing and gear. Deposits \$3,000 from The Dalmatians. This was grant funds from Northwest Farm Credit Services applied for by the Dalmatians on behalf of SVFPD. The Board gladly accepted this donation from the Dalmatians.

Approval and payment of bills

Nancy Salucci	2218.48
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Paul Buchter	738.80
Scott Frick	323.22
City of Ft Jones	200.00
Siskiyou Tel	90.68
Pacific Power	139.59
US Bank	5253.48
FASIS Q1 2020/21	5467.00
Dept of Justice	79.00
Valley Tire	938.42
Vernon Boudro	462.86
Baxter Auto Parts	67.65
Anav Clinic	85.00
Scott Valley Auto Parts	284.66
Burton's Fire pump testing	1550.00

Motion to pay bills: Motion to pay bills Hullquist/2nd Williams. All ayes, passed.

Dalmatians report Balances as of 6/30/20 \$8,705.10 in Banner Bank; \$22,145.71 with Edward Jones.

Oral communications, correspondence, continuing/new business Grant opportunities:

Chief Buchter and Salucci will collaborate on the \$15,000 Cal Fire Foundation equipment grant application which is due July 15, 2020.

Operations Data

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
Full Strength (goal)	25	25	25	25	25	25
Active firefighters on roster		17	17	17	15	15
Inactive firefighters	0	0	0	0	2	0
Firefighters removed from roster	3	0	0	0	0	2
New applications received	0	0	0	0	3	1
Applications pending	2	0	1	1	4	3
Applications distributed	0	0	3	3	0	0
Attended 1st Tuesday drill	13	10	10	canc	9	6
Attended 2 nd Tuesday drill	8	7	2	13	9	10
Station staffing—Some respond to	multiple	stations				
Greenview	5	5	5	5	3	3*
French Creek		5	5	5	5	6*
Callahan	3	3	3	3	3	2
Moffett Creek	5	5	5	5	5	5
Scott River		2	2	2	1	1
Masterson-Unstaffed, no vehicles		*Some members respond to two both French Creek & Greenview Stations.				

June 2020 totals per Cal-Fire dispatch records

Veg Fires	Structure fires	Other fires	Medicals	Vehicle Accidents	Public Assists	Others	Total
2	0	6	18	3	0	2	31

BOARD REPORTS

Larry Alexander, Chair (Public Information Officer, Grant Procurement, Fire Safe Council Liaison) <u>Approval of minutes</u> Motion to approve the minutes for the June 11, 2020 meeting, Hullquist/2nd Akerman. All ayes. Passed.

<u>Scott Valley Fire and Rescue Alliance Executive Committee Report</u> No meeting was held this month. <u>Oral communication; correspondence; continuing/new business</u> The United Way community outreach program is sponsoring a Train the Trainers program. Wildfire Behavior Analyst Jay Perkins, Larry Alexander, and SVFPD, Etna FD and Fort Jones FD chiefs are asked to participate. Assistant Chief Frick will contact Chiefs Kramer and Shepard to set a potential date for the training. Fire danger is severe. All fires are being "hit hard and fast" this year.

James C. Roseman (Vice Chair, Personnel liaison) Excused absence Continuing/New business Nothing to report.

Jay Akerman (Fiscal Oversight/Insurance) Continuing/New business Nothing to report.

Kathy Williams (Sunshine Committee)

Continuing/New business Due to COVID-19 and it now being fire season, the summer firefighter appreciation BBQ has been cancelled. The annual holiday party will be discussed at a future date.

Kevin Hullquist (New training facility coordinator) <u>Report on Training Facility Property Development</u> Nothing to report. <u>New/Continuing business</u> Nothing to report.

Motion to Adjourn Akerman/ 2nd Williams. All ayes, passed.

Date _____

Chair

Administrative Officer