

**REDWOOD VALLEY-CALPELLA FIRE DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
MINUTES
November 12, 2020**

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1 CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Tusso at 6:30 p.m.

2 ROLL CALL

DIRECTORS PRESENT

Bleier, Graydon, Rugg, Talso; Tusso

DIRECTORS ABSENT

None

STAFF PRESENT

Chief Dale, Battalion Chief Robinson; Captain Rojas, Volunteer Battalion Chief Ebert, Volunteer Firefighter Mello, and Karyn Abshire, Clerk

#3 PUBLIC EXPRESSION

None

#4 MINUTES

The minutes of the October 08, 2020 meeting were approved as written

#5 BUDGET REVIEW

a. Budget Report. As of 10/31/20, \$ 558,661.83 has been expended and \$ 136,106.51 in revenue has been received. General Fund balance as of 10/31/20 is \$ 4,865.89. The Equipment Trust Fund Balance as of 10/31/20 is \$ 64,105.19.

#6 CHIEFS REPORT

a. Monthly Report.

Report given by Chief Dale verbally

Chief Dale reported that there are 2 new volunteers who are on their 6mo. probation. He thanked the Board members who are retiring for their service to the District – Leo Bleier and Keith Graydon. He gave an introduction to the Emergency Siren testing that is taking place in the District.

Chairman Tusso moved the New Business items to this time in the Board meeting

#12 NEW BUSINESS

b. Emergency Siren/Disaster Warning System. – Discussion/Action

Charles Clugston with CTC Mass Notification Systems gave an overview of his company and explained the siren system they are proposing for the District. Mr. Clugston answered questions from Board members.

Testing will continue tomorrow and a decision will be made as to the model of siren and placement of the siren.

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#12 NEW BUSINESS (continued)

a. District Fire Code Board of Supervisors Ratification – Update (District Counsel Chandler) – Discussion/Action

District Counsel Chandler gave a report on the November 3rd Board of Supervisors meeting and the action taken by the Board. The County Board of Supervisors was reluctant to adopt the Fire Code that the District submitted and requested that several changes be made. The BoS will put the matter on a future agenda after their requested changes have been made. RVCFD Board members and audience members made comments and asked questions. District Counsel Chandler will report back to the RVCFD Board on what the next step is for the District.

#7 VOLUNTEERS REPORT

a. Report given by Volunteer Battalion Chief Ebert. They are happy the strike team is back home. They are transitioning to structure fire training along with ladder, and nozzle training. They will be selling Christmas trees again this year, they have increased the number of trees this year.

b. Explorers – The Explorers are still in limbo due to the covid-19 restrictions, but they hope to start back in full swing.

#8 COMMITTEE REPORTS

a. Policy & Procedures Committee – Bleier, Rugg – No meeting

b. Strategic Planning Committee - Graydon, Rugg – No meeting.

c. Budget Committee –Bleier, Talso – No meeting

#9 DIRECTOR REPORTS

a. Mendocino County Fire Districts Association - Talso
Director Talso – no meeting

b. Other Reports

None

#10 GOOD OF THE DEPARTMENT

Casino Hotel back under construction again. The construction crew is under new management.

#11 OLD BUSINESS

a. None

#13 CLOSED SESSION

a. None

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#14 ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board the meeting was adjourned at 7:42pm.

James Tuso, Chairman

Karyn Abshire, Clerk