

## **MINUTES**

### **BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING MARCH 15, 2011**

#### **HELD AT THE FIRE STATION 14380 SARATOGA AVENUE**

#### **0900 HOURS**

The agenda for this meeting was posted in front of the Fire Station at 14380 Saratoga Avenue at 1300 hours on March 8, 2011, pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.2 (more commonly known as the Brown Act).

1. **Call to Order:**

The meeting was called to order at 0900 hours by Commissioner Long. In attendance were Commissioners Moyles and Zambetti; Chief Waldvogel; Deputy Fire Marshal Talavera and Retired Fire Chief Kraule. Arson Investigator Davis arrived late.

2. **Approval of the minutes:**

2.1 Approval of the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on February 8, 2011.

The minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on February 8, 2011 were approved as presented.

3. **Communications:**

3.1 Oral communications or public comment. None.

3.2 Correspondence.

3.2.1 Preliminary budget for 2011-2012.

The budget was entered into the record and discussed under "New Business."

3.3 Additional Correspondence. An update from the California Special Districts Association was received on March 11, 2011. It discussed state proposals on property taxes and consolidation. It was read into the record.

4. **Chief's Reports:**

4.1 Response Reports for January and February. (The Response Report describes the time of each response for the previous month.)

Chief Waldvogel presented the Response Reports for January and February. The response times for January were 5.1 and 5.5 minutes respectively for Engine 17 and Rescue 17. There was a fire loss of \$140,000.00 for January due to a fire at 19902 Seagull Way. In February, the response times for Engine 17 and Rescue 17 were 4.5 and 5.1 minutes respectively. The reports were read and entered into the record.

- 4.2 Equipment Report for February. (The Equipment Report documents any repairs or maintenance necessary for the previous month.) Nothing to report.
- 4.3 Support Services Report for February. (The Support Services Report documents repairs or maintenance necessary for the building for the previous month.)

Chief Waldvogel reported that one section of the rolling bins at the rear of the apparatus bay have been cleared and can be used for storing records. The report was accepted as presented.

- 4.4 Deputy Fire Marshal's Report for February. (The Deputy Fire Marshal's Report describes any significant building projects in the previous month.)

Deputy Fire Marshal Talavera reported that the Creekside project was moving forward. The report was accepted as presented.

- 4.5 Other projects/reports.
  - 4.5.1 Report on status of hosting an Explorer Boy Scout Troop. None.
  - 4.5.2 Report on the status of the State's passing costs and responsibilities to local government.

Chief Waldvogel reported that the Governor's proposal to shift the responsibility for the SRAs (State Responsibility Areas) from the state to local government had lost favor and was unlikely to happen. However, Cal Fire's staffing was being reduced and approximately \$52 million was being shifted to contract counties. The report was accepted as presented.

- 4.5.3 Report on the progress of Rural Metro's deployment in Santa Clara County.

Chief Waldvogel stated that he has concerns about whether Rural Metro will be ready to perform by the transition date. They will be using a larger ambulance than AMR. He will invite them to bring out an ambulance at the next board meeting to see if it will fit in the medic garage. The report was accepted as presented.

## 5. **Reports:**

- 5.1 Commissioners Reports. None.
- 5.2 Financial Reports for January and February 2011.

The financial reports were accepted as presented.

### 5.3 Other Reports.

5.3.1 Chief Waldvogel reported that the employment flier for a new County Fire Chief had been sent out and the application process would close on March 25. There are six internal applicants. The report was accepted as presented.

5.3.2 Arson Investigator Davis reported that there have been two probable arson fires in the area lately. They were both in homes under construction. In both cases the homes were open and unfenced. Owners with current construction projects have been warned. Sheriff patrols in construction areas have been increased. The report was accepted as presented.

## 6. **Old Business:**

### 6.1 Discuss and consider the possible disposition of Rescue 17.

Ferrarra would be willing to buy back Rescue 17 for approximately \$65,000.00. On the open market it is worth probably \$120,000.00. After discussion, it was decided to have the warranty work done as soon as possible. In addition, an estimate of the cost of any other work needs to be obtained. A final discussion on the disposition of the vehicle was postponed until all information is available and work has been done.

## 7. **New Business:**

### 7.1 Discuss and consider a budget for 2011-2012.

The proposed budget was discussed. A comparison of revenue received in this fiscal year to date was compared to last fiscal year and is short \$163,311.00. After discussion, a decision on a final budget was postponed until next month when further revenue figures are received.

## 8. **Board Signatures:**

## 9. **Adjournment:**

The meeting adjourned at 1015 hours. The minutes were transcribed and typed by Trina Whitley.