

## **Placerville Fire Protection District**

### **Commissioner Meeting Minutes October 14, 2023**

Commissioner Barber called the Regular Meeting to order at 1:00.

Commissioners Present: Barber, Sprague, Couvillier.

Staff present: Chief Bourret, Treasurer Nopens, Secretary Andreason.

**Minutes:** The Minutes for the September Regular Commissioners Meeting were reviewed and approved unanimously without amendment.

#### **Correspondence:**

- We received the State Vehicle Title for the Clear Creek Red deuce brush truck from DMV.
- Email from Rick Donovan with several questions. Rick answered questions.

#### **Chief's report:**

- Vehicles are 100% pending a fuel filter on Green Brush truck. Vehicles have been winterized. New structure truck received from Sand Hallow. Offering old structure truck to Boise Fire Chief Association. Chains will be matched to the trucks on the 28<sup>th</sup>.
- Training shifts to bi-weekly and switches to academic classroom during winter months. Aiming for FST Firefighter qualifications. Request consideration for some sort of reimbursement for Firefighters attending the 40-hour Wildland Firefighter Course next Spring.
- Equipment: outstanding items needed include coats, gloves, hats

#### **Treasurers Report:**

Balance/Expenditures/New Donations:

- Placerville Fire has \$8,446.98 available not counting \$14,000 PPE Grant money.
- Nick and Sandra still need to be added to the checking account but are working on scheduling signatures downtown.

#### **Grants:**

Com. Barber is working with Dan Gasiorowski for information regarding the \$14,000 PPE Grant and reporting expenditure requirements.

#### **Old Business:**

- Placerville Fire Protection District 501-C3: Rick informed everyone Dan has turned over the old Placerville Fire Protection District Auxiliary Account to Rick and the Fire Department which will require 2 new account officers.

- The Commissioners were informed by Secretary Andreason a new 501 C-3 has been set up and will be used strictly for the purchase of equipment and material needs of the Fire Department.
- The Commissioners and Staff will determine which 501-C3 to move forward with.

**New Business:** No new business was discussed.

**Action Items:**

- 4 Bills were approved for payment.
- Chief Bourret discussed altering a \$3,000 bill a resident received for a fire 3 years ago. The Commissioners voted unanimously to accept a \$175 donation from the resident with the assurance they would either sign with Placerville Fire Taxing District or Subscribe to Centerville Fire.
- Verizon Phone Bill: Rick will contact Jessica Gasiorowski to arrange payment or cancellation of that account. As they are out of the country until the end of December, we do not want to leave them without a phone.
- Increase Broadband capability and share cost with city: Wilderness Wireless has increased our capability at a cost of \$100 per month. The Placerville City Council voted to share 1/3 of the cost with Placerville Fire. The Fire Commissioners voted 2-1 in favor of accepting the Wilderness Wireless proposal and will pay 2/3 of the cost. Commissioner Sprague voted no.
- Duplicate and missing checks: Treasurer Nopens reported the outstanding missing checks are a liability, but none have gone through. The Commissioners unanimously voted to have her issue STOP PAYMENT on the missing checks.
- Determine Operating Procedures and Duties for the TREASURER and SECRETARY: Tabled for now.
- The Commissioners voted unanimously to schedule the Commission meetings November-March at 2:00 pm at City Hall.

**Public Input:**

- Clark Cassel requested we start future meetings with a Pledge of Allegiance. This was unanimously approved.
- Richard Donovan questioned our current Firefighters not yet being covered by Life Flight or Air St. Lukes. Commissioner Barber assured him it is being worked on and paperwork should be completed by the end of this week.

**Request for future agenda items:**

- The Commissioners would like to address the Out of Area \$3,000 charge, or an alternative.
- Create Web Site vs adding information site to Placerville Fire Facebook Page.
- Creation of Public Information or FOIA form for information requests.

**Executive Session:** There was nothing to report on the special session.

**Adjournment:** Commissioner Barber adjourned the meeting at 2:10.