

LOCKWOOD FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
23141 Shake Ridge Road
Volcano, CA 95689
Minutes of Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors
July 26, 2021
6:00 p.m.

1. Call to order and reading of the mission statement.

The meeting was called to order by President Jan Hewitt at 6:03 p.m.

2. Establish quorum-roll call

Those in attendance were:

BOARD MEMBERS: President Jan Hewitt, Vice President Joanne McLachlan, Director Don Dowell, and Director Cookie Stevens. A quorum was established.

ADMINISTRATION MEMBERS: Tim Worny, Treasurer, Board Secretary Terry Bolyard, and CAL FIRE Assistant Chief Rob Withrow,

ABSENT: Director Kelly McGee and Webmaster Jackie Vaughn

PUBLIC ATTENDEES: None

3. Closed Session: No Closed Session

4. Public Comments: No Public Comments

5. Action Items:

Pay Raise and/or Bonus For Jackie Vaughn

Matter tabled for lack of motion.

6. Discussion Items:

6a) Surveillance Cameras At Station 151 and Station 152

Cookie Stevens presented the Board with suggested surveillance cameras for Stations 151 and 152. Cookie was at Any & All Fabrication and inquired about their surveillance cameras. Bill Cox (who installs various surveillance/security equipment) was the installer. She will contact him to inquire if he would be interested in installing some type of surveillance cameras at each station. She will report on her research at a future Board meeting.

6b) Placing Sirens Along Shake Ridge Road – Is It Feasible and Worth Doing? Who Would We Partner With To Help Fund The Project and Make It Happen?

CAL FIRE Assistant Chief Rob Withrow explained that general siren alerts could/would cause potential confusion for residents as the sirens would not provide any information as to location and evacuation instructions should evacuations be necessary. Also, the sirens need electricity and in wildfires, electricity is usually down. Don Dowell reported on a fire

preparedness meeting he attended in Fiddletown. Don purchased a radio/pager which had been modified to alert an individual to potential disasters in their area. Don will research these radio/pagers and report at a future Board meeting. Jan suggested the public be familiarized with scanners and encouraged to purchase a scanner for their home. Rob suggested a Town Hall meeting be set-up in the near future to discuss with the community of Lockwood the various items available to make them aware of fires, location, potential evacuation, etc.

6c) Lockwood FPD Having/Reinstating A Cadet Firefighting Program.

Rob addressed the Board with an idea of having a Cadet Firefighting Program through LFPD for young people (under the age of 18) to join LFPD and learn about being a firefighter. The cadets would not respond to calls, but could participate in training, station and equipment maintenance, fundraising for LFPD, etc. The Board felt this would be a good program. Jan will research the legalities of having such a program.

7. Approval of Minutes from Regular Meeting Of June 28, 2021.

Don Dowell moved the Minutes of the LFPD Board Meeting held on June 28, 2021 be approved. Cookie Stevens seconded. The motion passed with 4 yeas and 1 absent.

8. Treasurer's Report: Tim Worny reported the County is still working on the year-end report. Once that is received, Tim will contact the LFPD auditor.

9. Chief's Report:

- The new storage shed has been installed at Station 151. Shelving is being installed to provide neat and orderly storage of equipment and gear
- Both stations and equipment are being cleaned regularly
- The Hvac for Station 151 is being installed soon
- Engine #6530 is still at High Tech Apparatus in Oakdale
- During the lightening event, 5 LFPD volunteers stayed overnight at Station 151 in the event of being called out
- Kris Morris and Ethan Moore have taken their EMT final exam
- Training is going well. The training scheduled was given to the Board
- Training will be moved to Thursday night
- Rob suggested another recruitment campaign perhaps this fall
- Station 151 will now be staffed 7 days a week
- June calls: 19 total

10. Committee Reports:

Grant Committee: Don Dowell reported AFDPD partnered in LFPD on an application for a second SAFER Grant being offered. He isn't sure if AFDPD submitted the application. He will follow-up

Fiscal and Planning Committee: Nothing new to report

Policies and Procedures Committee: Nothing new to report

Building and Maintenance Committee: Window coverings for Station 151 have arrived and will be installed shortly. Minor finishing touches are being done at Station 151 and a final inspection will be called for making the remodel complete.

Communications and Outreach: Nothing new to report

Disaster Preparedness Ad Hoc Committee: Nothing new to report

11. Auxiliary Report: Terry reported plans for the LFPD Concert scheduled for October 2 are underway. The Auxiliary plans to prepare individual “finger food” boxes for each guest when they purchase their concert ticket. This will eliminate a buffet type situation – keeping COVID protocol in mind

The Auxiliary is asking Don Dowell to attend a future Auxiliary meeting to discuss the idea of bringing back a chili cook-off.

Bells-Across-America will be October 3, 2021. Auxiliary member Debra Abrams will head-up the planning for this event and provide details closer to time.

12. Adjournment: Don Dowell moved to adjourn the meeting. Cookie Stevens seconded. The meeting adjourned at 7:51 p.m.

13. Next Regular Board Meeting: August 23, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.