## **LFPD Board Meeting**

October 24, 2022 6:00pm

**Board Meeting:** 6:00

Board Attendees: Jan Hewitt, JoAnne McLachlan, Cookie Stevens, Don Dowell via Google Meet

Absent: Kelly McGee

Public Comment: None

Action Item/s: None

Discussion Item/s: None

Approval of September 2022 Minutes: Motion: CS Second: DD Yeas: 4 Nay: 0 Absent: 1

**Treasurer's Report:** Received resolution on insurance- our previous carrier nearly tripled our price for coverage, changed deductibles, and is now asking for more requirements to be fulfilled, however, we received a quote from a new carrier (George Peterson Agency) for \$24k and have elected to utilize their services. Still waiting on September's Finance Report. We may not be receiving assessments for all parcels in our district...Chief Withrow will look into it.

## **Chief's Report:**

- Measure M numbers have been agreed upon at 200 for LFPD
- Population mishap with Auditor's Office...LFPD needs to give Ione \$9k
- Volunteer FF Academy is wrapping up Nov. 26<sup>th</sup> producing 5 new volunteers, putting us at 17 volunteer FF's total
- 23 calls for the month of September
- BC Watkins (AFPD) involved Tom Tomlinson in Low Angle Rope Rescue and FF Tomlinson is now certified
- FF Tomlinson is involved in control burns, FF Rowe and other volunteers are filling in covering behind him
- By the end of the weekend, the hydrants in Lamel Heights will be serviced and updated
- Chief Withrow met with Craig Miller (AWA) regarding the water service to Lamel Heights and AWA has grant money to possibly apply to the infrastructure of Lamel Heights
- Craig Miller also came to 151 to look at improving the performance of the water tanks-Chief Withrow will contact SPI to help with funding for this
- Amador Pines is working on becoming a Firewise Community, LFPD will help them in mapping any water tanks they have, regardless of whose district they're in
- Chief Withrow is not interested in a Water Tank Maintenance program, however, basic evaluation will occur- possible utilization of signage as well
- Ad-hoc committee for exploring consolidation needs to schedule first meeting dedicated to capture and address the Boards concerns. Cookie Stevens reiterated the
  concerns should be objective and discussed with open-mindedness, leaving personal
  issues aside. Meeting is scheduled for 4pm on Friday, November 4<sup>th</sup>
- Starting in November, Chief Withrow will be assigned as Deputy Chief with Amador Fire
  Protection District- main duties to be everything regarding Operations. Chief Withrow
  will do both jobs (AFPD Deputy Chief and LFPD Fire Chief) until the decision of whether
  to consolidate is made and from then, decide what to do moving forward. Chief
  Withrow made clear that the LFPD Board needs to be in agreement with his working
  both jobs, and if not, he will reevaluate the situation.

- We currently have a 17-year-old volunteer, who is training only, not responding. Hopefully he will continue until he turns 18 in February, and then can be certified and start responding to incidents.
- November 3<sup>rd</sup> All Hands dinner meeting @ 1830, Station 151

**Grants:** Don Dowell waiting for FEMA to issue guidelines before applying for next grant

Fiscal Planning: None

Policy: None

Building: Lee Gravesen will do more grading soon

**Communications/Outreach:** Keeping up on social media, website, Upcountry Newsletters, etc.

Advertising for Giving Tuesday will commence November 1.

**Auxiliary Report:** See attached minutes

Adjourn: @ 7:50pm: Motion - CS Second – DD Yeas: 4 Nay: 0 Absent: 1

Next Meeting: November 28, 2022