



## **PUBLIC MEETING OF THE DEER SPRINGS FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT (DSFPD)**

**October 12, 2022**

**Open Session 4:00 p.m.**

**Meeting Location: DSFPD Station 1, 8709 Circle R Drive, Escondido, CA 92026**

**Public Participation: Telephone Dial-in**

### **1. Call to Order at 4:00 pm, Roll Call**

President Sealey-Present  
Vice-President Slaughter-Present  
Secretary/Treasurer Jackson-Present  
Director Gordon-Present  
Director Holley-Present

Also present at board meeting, District Chief Morrison, Unit Chief Mecham, Deputy Fire Marshal Sibbet and Legal Counsel.

### **2. Pledge of Allegiance-Led by Director Sealey**

### **3. Adoption of Agenda**

Director Jackson moved to adopt October 12 agenda with modifications, moving item 11b between 7 & 8; Director Slaughter seconded the motion. **Motion is adopted; 5 Ayes; 0 Noes; 0 Absent; 0 Abstain.**

### **4. Public Comments Period**

Mike Pacheco introduced himself; he is running as an incumbent for Palomar Health Board of Directors.

### **5. Fire Safe Council Report-Steve Kerrin**

The Chipping Program chipped five properties, including station 3 for the month. We are hoping to have our annual Firefighter's Appreciation Dinner this year.

### **6. Approval of Minutes**

#### **a. Regular Meeting September 14, 2022**

Director Holley made a motion to approve September 14, 2022 minutes; Director Gordon seconded the motion. **Motion is adopted; 5 Ayes; 0 Noes; 0 Absent; 0 Abstain.**

b. Special Meeting September 27, 2022

Director Gordon made a motion to approve September 27, 2022 Special Meeting minutes; Director Holley seconded the motion. **Motion is adopted; 5 Ayes; 0 Noes; 0 Absent; 0 Abstain.**

## 7. Acceptance of September Finance Reports-General, Capital and Mitigation Funds

Director Slaughter made a motion to approve September Financials; Director Holley seconded the motion. **Motion is adopted; 5 Ayes; 0 Noes; 0 Absent; 0 Abstain.**

## 8. Chief's Report

- District Personnel were dispatched to 160 calls in the month of September
- USAR 12 and staff attended the San Diego Air Show
- Extractors installed at Station 2 and 3

a. **Fire Prevention Report-** September Prevention Report included 3 annual business inspections, 1 defensible space, 11 plan reviews, 1 Community Care License and 1 Knox key installed.

### b. CERT Report

CERT members will be supporting open house at station 3. October regular scheduled meeting will be cancelled to inventory CERT trailer.

### c. Update on Collective Bargaining Agreement for Bargaining Unit 8

Chief Mecham presented an informational PowerPoint explaining tentative labor agreement for Unit 8. If this agreement is approved, starting November 1, 2024 a reduction in workweek from 72 hours to 66 hours will require 2 additional firefighters. He also provided handouts with recommendations for Deer Springs Fire staffing plan and projected five year contract costs.

## 9. Committee Reports

a. North Zone Joint Benefit-Directors Jackson and Gordon-No report

b. Station 2 Improvement-Directors Holley, Slaughter and Chief Morrison

Meeting scheduled October 19 with Kitchell to discuss workplan for phase 2.

c. CWPP-Director Sealey and Chief Morrison

The committee met on October 7 and reviewed the current CWPP. Chief Morrison will work with the Captains to review risk assessments in their area. The committee will review comparison between what all hazard mitigation plans in the Battalion Unit, San Diego County and what we are covering in the CWPP. Next month the committee will bring forward a report on their progress.

d. Fiscal Year 2021/2022 Audit-Director Gordon

This item will be discussed under New Business 11a.

## 10. Unfinished Business

## 11. New Business

- a. Approve Government Code §54953 COVID-19 Pandemic State of Emergency Teleconference Modification Findings pursuant to Resolution 22-01

Director Jackson moved to affirm the findings on Resolution 22-01, subject to Government Code §54953 COVID-19 Pandemic State of Emergency Teleconference; Director Gordon seconded the motion. **Motion is adopted; 5 Ayes; 0 Noes; 0 Absent; 0 Abstain**

- b. First Reading of Fire Code Ordinance 2022-01, Repeals Ordinance 2019-01 and adopts the 2023 San Diego County Consolidated Fire Code

Director Gordon made a motion for the first reading 2022-01, adoption of the amendments, additions and deletions to the California and International Fire Code as documented in the County San Diego Consolidated Fire Code; Director Jackson seconded the motion. **Motion is adopted; 5 Ayes; 0 Noes; 0 Absent; 0 Abstain**

Director Slaughter made a motion to include Deer Springs in Sec. 503.2.1, gray box; no second, motion denied.

Sec. 4907.6 Sentence added that states “Modification of combustible vegetation is required within 20 feet from each side of an evacuation road as designated in the Community Wildfire Protection Plan.”

Deer Springs Ordinance 22-01, paragraph added regarding the findings and ready for signature at November 9<sup>th</sup> board meeting.

Add Deer Springs Fire Protection District to Annex E, with link to the County’s Defensible Space Ordinance

- c. Approval of Management Discussion and Analysis for Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Financial Annual Report and Audit

Director Holley made a motion to approve Management Discussion Analysis FY 21-22 Audit Report with revision, page 6 to include suppression assessments; Director Gordon seconded the motion. **Motion is adopted; 5 Ayes; 0 Noes; 0 Absent; 0 Abstain.**

- d. Apparatus and other space requirements analysis with Station 2 configuration alternatives

The Board Directors agreed to move forward with the \$ 10.0 million Design/Build target cost 3 bay fire station subject to fitting at or below the total project budget of \$ 12.0 Million. The \$12.0 Million is itemized as \$1.5 Million budgeted for Kitchell’s work scope, \$10.0 Million for the Design/Build contract, and \$0.5 Million for temporary Station 2 facilities. Any conditions that change project Estimate at Completion needs to come prospectively before the Board Directors for approval prior to commitment of funds.

e. Future Cost and fund availability, analysis results

Director Jackson presented a PowerPoint on Deer Springs Fire Protection District on future cost and fund availability analysis.

f. Establishment of CAL FIRE & County Agreements Committee to negotiate with both organizations for follow-on agreements

President Sealey appointed Director Jackson and himself for CAL FIRE & County Agreements Committee to move forward with negotiations, roll call, all Board Directors approved. Establishment of North Zone Joint Benefit Committee is dissolved.

## 12. Correspondence-None

## 13. Directors Comments

Director Sealey encourages everyone to attend Fire Prevention Open House on Saturday the 15<sup>th</sup>.

## 14. Closed Session- Recessed to close session 7:21pm

PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION: District Administrator, pursuant to Government Code §54957(b) (1)

### **Reconvene to open session at 7:30 pm.**

A Performance Evaluation was conducted of District Administrator and the Board of Directors determined to award a one-time bonus based on higher than expected performance results.

## 15. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 7:32 pm



Director Mark Jackson  
Secretary-Treasurer