

PENN VALLEY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
REGULAR MEETING
JANUARY 2, 2019

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Penn Valley Fire Protection District was called to order by Chairman Farrell at 6:30 P.M. at Station 43. Director Stephenson led the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call was taken.

PRESENT

Directors: David Farrell, Kurt Grundel, Terry McMahan, Bruce Puphal and Bruce Stephenson

Absent: None

Board Clerk: Debbie Hughes

Others: Chief Wagner, Penn Valley Fire Auxiliary Board and PV Firefighters.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

PRESENTATION OF DONATION FROM PENN VALLEY FIRE DEPARTMENT AUXILIARY

Most of the PVFDA Board of Directors, day managers and some Members-at-Large were in attendance to present a semi-annual donation to the Board. Lettie Lewis President of the Penn Valley Fire Auxiliary presented a check in the amount of \$50,000 to the Board from the proceedings that the Thrift Shop made in the last six months. For the fiscal year that is a total donation of \$95,000. The Auxiliary would like to delegate a portion of this donation for the paramedic scholarship. The Board consented to designate the amount that Chief Wagner deigns feasible. Chairman Farrell accepted it on behalf of the Board who were very thankful of all the hard work the Auxiliary does. Lettie Lewis said they all appreciate everything the Fire Department does for the community.

CONSENT CALENDER

Director McMahan motioned to approve the consent calendar as presented. Director Grundel seconded. Motion unanimously carried.

NEVADA COUNTY FIRE CHIEFS ASSOCIATION

Chief Wagner said because of New Year's Day falling on their meeting day they postponed their meeting until next week.

NEVADA COUNTY FIRE AGENCY (NCFA)

No meeting.

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LAFCO

Director Grundel said they haven't had a meeting because they want to have a full agenda and the material is incomplete at this time. The meeting is postponed until February. However, the budget committee is meeting this month to begin the 2019/20 budget, so they can let the fire districts know what their cost will be for fiscal year 2019/20.

PENN VALLEY FIREFIGHTERS ASSOCIATION

Lt. Bryan Mathena said there was approximately 125 adults and 9 children.

FIRE CHIEFS REPORT

In addition to written report in packet Chief Wagner said:

- The number of calls we were dispatched to in December was down at 129.
- We had a structure fire on El Nora in which 1 room was involved. We also had a 500 square foot Yurt fire off Newtown Road.
- The next meeting for Western Nevada County Fire Authority is 1/16.
- Nevada County Fire Chiefs, Cal Fire, USFS Law Enforcement and County OES are still in the process of organizing a type3 incident management/support team. They have the head staffing in place for the team already.
- It's been 1 year since we've had vacancies in staffing. Somebody was separated during probation last May, but we hired one of our part-time people then. One of our Full-time Paramedics will be leaving at the end of this year as his wife is in the service and she'll be relocated.

DISCUSSION/ ACTION ITEMS

VI-1 Election of Officers (Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson)

The Board has historically decided to elect a new Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson or stay with the same slate in January of the new year. Director McMahan motioned to nominate Director Grundel as Chairman. Director Stephenson seconded. Motion unanimously carried. Director Grundel motioned to nominate Director Stephenson as Vice-Chairman. Director McMahan seconded. Motion unanimously carried.

VI-2 Authorized Signatures

Nevada County requires two signatures for all warrant requests. The Board agreed to keep all board members, Fire Chief, Finance Administrator and Office Administrator on the authorized signature list for Nevada County.

DIRECTOR'S REPORTS

1. Chairman Farrell – No report.

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2. Vice Chairman Grundel – He wanted to point out that LAFCo will probably increase their cost to districts by 2% for fiscal year 2019/20 so we can put that in our preliminary budget.
3. Director McMahan – He wished to thank staff for the Christmas breakfast.
4. Director Puphal – He would like to try to get more support staff for the monthly breakfasts.
5. Director Stephenson – He gave a shout out to the Penn Valley Community Rodeo Association for their display at Lights at the Park at Western Gateway Park. They were supporting firefighters with their display this year. He also appreciated that we have the old firefighter's art work in the engine bay that used to be at Pegars Y.

INFORMATIONAL CORRESPONDENCE/INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

(refer to red correspondence book)

GOOD OF THE ORDER

None

ADJOURNMENT

The board adjourned at 7:10 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Debbie Hughes
Clerk to the Board