



MONTE RIO FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

Via Zoom Video Conference

Monday, December 21, 2020 6:00 p.m.

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Monte Rio Fire Protection District was called to order by President Dan Fein at 6:14PM. Roll Call of Directors: Dan Fein, Tim Cahn, Josh Dale, Paul Casini and Geff Smith.
2. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA** – Motion to approve the agenda with an edit of moving item 6e to the top of Old Business; motion passed unanimously.
3. **PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS NOT AGENDIZED** – none
4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
 - a. November 16, 2020 Regular Board Meeting – Motion to approve Tim Cahn seconded by Josh Dale.
5. **CORRESPONDENCE**
 - a. Phone correspondence with taxpayer who had questions about her vacant parcels. Director Dan Fein called back and left her a voicemail but has not heard back.
6. **OLD BUSINESS**
 - a. Filling Board Vacancies – Put out a notice of vacancy and the only application received was from Geff Smith. Tim Cahn motioned to appoint Geff Smith as Director on the MRFPD on the board, this was seconded by Josh Dale.
 - b. Policies & Procedures – included in the board packet was a packet with board policies. There was discussion on the board terms, board compensation, and extending the healthcare option to the board. Bill Ross mentioned he would write up a memorandum to include anything we want to add to the policies. It was suggested that we table this item until the next meeting so everyone can look through the packet. Josh Dale motioned to approve this item be tabled until next meeting; this was seconded by Geff Smith.
 - c. Consolidation Ad Hoc Committee Report – nothing to report.
 - d. Forest Management – Been working with Gold Ridge and Regional Parks to start doing controlled burns. Bohemian Grove said MRFPD go up their road to clear brush. Josh Dale mentioned Supervisor Hopkins was looking for more money for MRFPD for the forest management.
 - e. Surplus Vehicles – a resolution was provided in the board packet to be approved to officially surplus the vehicles. Geff Smith motioned to approve the resolution, this was seconded by Tim Cahn.



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7. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Purchase of New Engine for \$20,000 – Chief Baxman presented this purchase, there is an engine from Kenwood Fire has one for sale for \$20,000. Tim Cahn motioned to approve the purchase; this was seconded by Josh Dale.
- b. Purchase of 8 New SCBA's for \$55,000 – the existing ones are from ISI and they are out of business and can no longer get parts. Two of which have failed. Chief is suggesting we replace some of them with the MSA brand, so we can get parts and keep them up to date. Geff Smith motioned to approve the purchase; this was seconded by Tim Cahn.

8. TREASURER'S REPORT

- a. Went over the financials included in the board packet.

9. CHIEF'S REPORT – Chief Baxman

- a. 759 calls to date.
- b. District is getting busier and more calls to Alliance Redwoods being occupied with homeless people.
- c. 3 volunteers are or will be doing the EMT class coming up soon.

10. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- a. Nothing to report.

11. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- a. Josh Dale reported he had been checking who has been paid and who has an EMT license. He pointed out to be aware when we hire on full time employees.

12. SECRETARY/CLERK REPORT

- a. Nothing to report.


13. **ADJOURNMENT** – Motion to approve: Director Geff Smith; motion passed unanimously. The Board was adjourned at 8:55PM

MINUTES READ, APPROVED & ACCEPTED

Respectfully submitted,

/s/  _____ President Fein

/s/ _____ Director Dale

/s/  _____ Director Cahn

/s/ _____ Director Smith