

**EL DORADO COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
BOARD MEETING**

**MINUTES
September 16, 2010**

2850 Fair Lane Ct. Building "C"
Placerville, CA 95667
2:30 P.M. Closed Session
3:00 P.M. Open Session

2:30 P.M. CLOSED SESSION

A. Meeting with designated representatives of the El Dorado County Fire Protection District regarding employee salaries, salary schedules, and/or other compensation in the form of fringe benefits pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6. The El Dorado County Fire Protection District's designated representatives are Fire Chief Bruce Lacher, Director Tom Mahach, Director Dennis Edwards, David Mackowiak and Patrick Clark.

B. Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation Significant Exposure to litigation pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 54956.9 in one potential case.

C. Govt. Code 54956.9 Conference with and receive advice from legal counsel regarding existing litigation. Subdivision (a.). Case: Diamond Springs/El Dorado Fire Protection District v. El Dorado County Fire Protection District, et al.

3:00 P.M. OPEN SESSION

1. **CALL TO ORDER:**
Director Courtial called the meeting to order at 3:16 P/M.
2. **ROLL CALL:**
Present: Courtial, Mahach, Johnson
Absent: Rose, Edwards
3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**
Pledge of allegiance was recited
4. **APPROVE AGENDA:**
It was moved by Director Mahach and seconded by Director Johnson to adopt the agenda as presented. The motion was passed by the following vote:

Ayes: Courtial, Mahach, Johnson

Noes: None

Absent: Rose, Edwards

5. CONSENT CALENDAR:

(All items approved on a single vote except those pulled for individual discussion and action).

A. Minutes: August 19, 2010 Regular Board Meeting

B. Claim Payments/Deposits

District Claims:

\$42,027.16

\$98,335.92

\$132,609.72

\$157,820.40

JPA Claims:

\$7,920.16

\$19,171.94

Deposits:

\$1,454.00

\$17,562.24

\$5,031.56

It was moved by Director Mahach and seconded by Director Johnson to approve the consent calendar. The motion was passed by the following vote:

Ayes: Courtial, Mahach, Johnson

Noes: None

Absent: Rose, Edwards

6. PUBLIC COMMENT:

(Any person wishing to address the Board on any item that is not on the agenda may do so at this time. Public comments are limited to five minutes per person).

Jason Lindberg, Vice President of the Local Union, on behalf of the Union wanted to thank the Board for getting the District through these trying times.

7. REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION:

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No action taken

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No action taken

8. DEPARTMENTAL MATTERS:

A. ISU/Atwood Insurance Annual Renewal

Nancy Terpstra from ISU Insurance/Atwood Agency presented the board with an overview of the insurance policy and answered board questions.

It was moved by Director Mahach and seconded by Director Johnson to approve the insurance renewal. The motion was passed by the following vote:

Ayes: Courtial, Mahach, Johnson

Noes: None

Absent: Rose, Edwards

B. Volunteer Length of Service Award

It was moved by Director Mahach and seconded by Director Johnson to approve the Volunteer Firefighter length of service award. The motion was passed by the following vote:

Ayes: Courtial, Mahach, Johnson

Noes: None

Absent: Rose, Edwards

C. Fire Recovery Report

Chief Huffman reported on the status of the fire recovery program.

D. Resolution 2010-14 Approving 2010-2011 Operation Budget

Adopted Resolution 2010-14 approving the 2010-2011 Final Operation Budget.

It was moved by Director Johnson and seconded by Director Mahach to approve 2010-2011 Final Operation Budget. The motion was passed by the following Vote:

Ayes: Courtial, Mahach, Johnson

Noes: None
Absent: Rose, Edwards

E. Resolution 2010-15 Approving 2010-2011 El Dorado County Emergency Services (JPA) Budget

Adopted Resolution 2010-15 approving the 2010-2011 El Dorado County Emergency Services Budget.

It was moved by Director Mahach and seconded by Director Johnson to approve 2010-2011 El Dorado County Emergency Services (JPA) Budget. The motion was passed by the following Vote:

Ayes: Courtial, Mahach, Johnson
Noes: None
Absent: Rose, Edwards

9. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

A. Facilities & Equipment (Courtial/Johnson)

Director Johnson reported the walls are being framed for Station 28. Chief Lacher reported Fred Russell, project manager for station 28 is doing a great job. There were a few issues with the neighbor to station 28, but they have been resolved.

B. Fire Prevention (Mahach/Johnson)

Director Mahach reported that the annual Fire Safe Council meeting was canceled and rescheduled for the following Wednesday. At the Board of Supervisors budget meeting Vicki Yorty made a plea to reconsider splitting the Title 3 money between Fire Safe Council and Search and Rescue.

C. El Dorado County Emergency Services Authority (JPA) (Rose)

Chief Lacher reported there are two test study's going on for the EPCR program. JPA plans on having the program in place by January 2011. JPA also updated some existing policies. Response time criteria has been met 23 months in a row with no exceptions to report for August. Rural was 90%, semi rural 90%, urban 93% and wilderness 100%.

D. Human Resources (Mahach/Edwards) (alternate-Courtial)

No report

E. Budget and Finance (Courtial/Edwards)

No report

10. CORRESPONDENCE AND COMMUNICATION:

- Letter from Tess Lyster regarding Station 28 Construction
- Two Letters from California Fire Foundation regarding California Firefighters Memorial for Fallen Firefighters Ron Smelser and Charles Jay Ross
- Letter commending Captain Braden Stirling and Firefighter Brian Kelly for being extremely professional and compassionate.
- Thank you note from Rho Bailey
- Engine Response Statistics

11. FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT:

Chief Lacher reported on the direction the county is going with Aid to Fire Service. There are 8 agencies in the county that are being supplemented from the county general fund. This year the county has elected to continue with half of the funding that was requested, \$600,000 each year for the next two years. Money is being pulled from the Service Area 7 reserves. The special districts involved feel this maybe improper. Special districts are considering forming a fire JPA on the west slope of the county with the thought that the ERAF money would be discontinued to the state. West slope pays 1.5 million to the state, 900,000 of the 1.5 million is County Fire's share. A meeting has been scheduled for September 27th at station 49 to see if the special districts would like to move forward with the merger.

12. BOARD COMMENTS:

Mahach: no comment
Johnson: no comment
Courtial: no comment
Rose: absent
Edwards: absent

13. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

Next regularly scheduled Board Meeting, October 21, 2010,
2850 Fair Lane Court, Building C, Placerville, CA

14. ADJOURNMENT: 4:22 P.M.

It was moved by Director Mahach and seconded by Director Johnson to adjourn the meeting.