

EL DORADO COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
4040 CARSON ROAD
CAMINO, CALIFORNIA 95709

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

JOE ROSE, CHAIR (Div. 2)
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THOMAS MAHACH (Div. 4)
CURTISS WEIDMER (Div. 3)

FIRE CHIEF

BRUCE M. LACHER

RESCHEDULED MEETING

CONFORMED AGENDA

May 29, 2008

CLOSED SESSION
2:30 P.M.

OPEN SESSION
3:00 P.M.

2850 Fairlane Court, Building "C"
Placerville, CA 95667

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1. CALL TO ORDER – 3:23 P.M.
 2. CLOSED SESSION-
 - A. Annual performance evaluation of the Fire Chief.
 3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE-
 4. APPROVE AGENDA-

ACTION TAKEN – Director Mahach motioned to approve of the agenda and Director Carroll seconded the motion.
AYES: Carroll, Courtial, Mahach, Weidmer and Rose
NOES: None
ABSENT: None

5. CONSENT CALENDAR – (All items approved on single vote except those pulled for individual comment)

A. MINUTES: April 17, 2008 regular Board meeting.

B. CLAIM PAYMENT – Report of Vouchers April 1, 2008 through April 30, 2008.

CLAIM BATCHES:

DISTRICT:

\$ 35,303.47 (April 01, 2008)
\$ 172,278.92 (April 15, 2008)
\$ 108,297.46 (April 21, 2008)

AMBULANCE/JPA:

\$ 49,783.42 (April 10, 2008)
\$ 7,954.21 (April 24, 2008)

INVOICES/TRANSFERS/JOURNAL ENTRIES:

DEPOSITS:

\$ 13,450.76 (April 10, 2008)
\$ 1,388.60 (April 10, 2008)
\$ 211.96 (April 17, 2008)
\$ 1,350.00 (April 17, 2008)

ACTION TAKEN – Director Carroll motioned to approve the consent calendar and Director Mahach seconded the motion.

AYES: Carroll, Courtial, Mahach, Weidmer and Rose

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

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.
ACTION TAKEN- No public comment.

7. REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION-
 - A. **ACTION TAKEN-** No action taken.

8. DEPARTMENTAL MATTERS-
 - A. PRESENTATION FROM FIREMAN'S FUND AWARDING A HERITAGE GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$10,000 FOR THE PURCHASE OF A THERMAL IMAGING CAMERA-
ACTION TAKEN- Chief Lacher reported that the Fire District had been awarded a Thermal Imaging Camera from the Heritage Grant Program sponsored through Fireman's Fund Insurance Company. This camera has been placed on Engine #28 and Captain John Beaver was available to share the camera and review some of the special qualities of this piece of equipment. Mr. Gary Gargano was present from the Fireman's Fund Insurance company to present Board Chair, Joe Rose, with a check in the amount of \$10,000 for this purchase. Fire Captain/Training Specialist Larry Marinas also brought to the Board's attention the fact that the relationship with Fireman's Fund and Bullard brought about the full accessories kit for the camera. The Board of Directors expressed their appreciation to Mr. Gargano and the Fireman's Fund Insurance Company.

8. DEPARTMENTAL MATTERS- continued-

- B. CEREMONIAL BADGE PINNING AND OATH OF OFFICE FOR EIGHT FIREFIGHTERS PROMOTED TO THE RANK OF ENGINEER- -**
ACTION TAKEN- Director Rose led five of the new Firefighter/Engineers in the oath of office. Three of the Firefighter/Engineers were unable to attend because they were attending a pre-scheduled training class. Ben Anderson, Andy Andreis, Paul Lohan, and Kit VanKirk received their new Engineer badges from Fire Chief Lacher. By request, Brian Kelly received his Engineer badge from Captain Manny DeAquino. Paul Dutch, Phil Lewandowski, and Noah Toft will receive their badges at a later date. Friends and families, along with the Board of Directors, congratulated the new Firefighter/Engineers.
- C. PRESENTATION OF FIRE DISTRICT WEBSITE-**
ACTION TAKEN- Chief Lacher announced that the website for the Fire District is up and running. It is still under some construction but is a very nice website. The website went active on May 2, 2008. Captain Mike Pott and Volunteer Gary Ferguson were very instrumental in setting this website up. A thank you was given to Mike and Gary for spending many long hours and effort on this project.
- D. PRELIMINARY 2008 – 2009 FIRE OPERATIONS AND AMBULANCE OPERATIONS BUDGET- Resolution 2008- 04**
Public Hearing published in the Mountain Democrat May 5, 2008 and May 12, 2008. Public Hearing re-published in the Mountain Democrat Thursday, May 22, 2008 and Monday, May 26, 2008.
ACTION TAKEN- Chief Lacher reported that this is a preliminary budget based on the information currently available to the District. The preliminary budget reflects an approximate 5% increase in revenues. Services and Supplies, Long term debt and fixed assets have all had a decrease.

8. DEPARTMENTAL MATTERS- continued-

- D. Director Rose mentioned that the Development Fees are at 23% instead of 100%. Staff recommends increasing the current formula to 50%. Fees for residential are \$500 and for commercial \$.29 per square foot. This is not in the preliminary budget. The Board of Directors would like to see the Director's pay separated from the Apprentice pay on the Summary Sheet. There will be no increase in Health Insurance costs this next year. Director Weidmer pointed out that the JPA budget has not been approved by the JPA or the County at this time Chief Lacher reported the JPA is looking at an additional Medic Unit. The JPA has received several non-compliance letters from EMSA, regarding not meeting response time criteria. The new Casino will have an impact on this. El Dorado Hills Fire is funding the costs of a ½ time unit in their area until June 30, 2008. The Board of Directors would like to see the District Budget on a separate Resolution from the JPA Budget. Board Agenda item 8.D. opened for public hearing at 3:42p.m. No public comments. Board Agenda item 8.D. closed from public hearing at 3:43 p.m. Director Mahach moved to adopt Resolution 2008-04 adopting the preliminary budget for fire operations 2008 – 2009. Motion seconded by Director Courtial.
- Director Carroll: Yes
Director Mahach: Yes
Director Weidmer Yes
Director Courtial: Yes
Director Rose: Yes

8. DEPARTMENTAL MATTERS- continued-

E. MOBILE DATA COMPUTER MOU WITH THE EL DORADO HILLS FIRE DEPARTMENT-

ACTION TAKEN- Chief Lacher reported that the Fire Districts in El Dorado County submitted a Regional FEMA Assistance to Firefighter Grant for the acquisition and installation of Mobile Data Computers. The grant was awarded to the Fire Districts in January of this year. The MOU represents that each District will commit to pay their respective share of costs incurred for the Mobile Data Computers. Director Weidmer moved to approve of the MOU between El Dorado Hills Fire Department and the El Dorado County Fire District for Federal Grant Cost sharing. Director Courtial seconded the motion.

AYES: Carroll, Courtial, Mahach, Weidmer and Rose

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

F. EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM RENEWAL-

ACTION TAKEN- Chief Lacher reviewed the Employee Assistance Program the District contracts with MHN through Fire Agencies Self Insurance System (FASIS). Current MOU's require the District to provide this service to the employees. The rates have not increased over last years rates. Director Weidmer moved to approve of the contract with MHN for the employee assistance program. Director Mahach seconded the motion.

AYES: Carroll, Courtial, Mahach, Weidmer and Rose

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

8. DEPARTMENTAL MATTERS- continued-

G. ANNUAL DEVELOPMENT FEE REPORT-
CAPITOL IMPROVEMENT PLAN –
Resolution 2008-06

Public Hearing published in the Mountain Democrat April 30, 2008 and May 7, 2008. Public Hearing re-published in the Mountain Democrat Thursday, May 22, 2008 and Monday, May 26, 2008.

ACTION TAKEN- This item was discussed during the preliminary budget section of the agenda. The board thinks it is a great plan. AC Johnson brought up the fact that there is growth happening in the area. Board Agenda item 8.G. opened for public hearing at 4:34p.m. No public comments. Board Agenda item 8.G. closed from public hearing at 4:35 p.m. Director Carroll moved to adopt Resolution 2008 – 06 as submitted. Director Mahach seconded the motion.

Director Carroll: Yes

Director Mahach: Yes

Director Weidmer No

Director Courtial: Yes

Director Rose: Yes

H. GRAND JURY REPORT-

ACTION TAKEN- Chief Lacher reviewed the section of the Grand Jury Report referring to the Fire Districts, with the Board of Directors. The Grand Jury is recommending the County Board of Supervisors to discontinue the supplemental funding agreement for rural Fire Districts. They recommend that LAFCO and the Board of Supervisors encourage a consolidation of the agencies receiving supplemental funding into County Fire, Diamond Springs Fire or El Dorado Hills Fire. The Grand jury requires a response from the Fire Districts within ninety days. Board Chair recommended that the Fire Chief draft a response letter to the Grand Jury and bring it back to

8. DEPARTMENTAL MATTERS- continued-

- H. the next Board of Directors meeting. Director Weidmer volunteered to be on a Board committee for this issue.
- I. UPDATE AND AMEND FIRE DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S POLICY MANUAL-
ACTION TAKEN- After discussion, this item will be continued to the next Board of Directors meeting.
- J. FIRE BOARD MEETING TIME AND LOCATION-
ACTION TAKEN- Director Courtial asked if the new meeting time and location was working out for everyone. All agreed the time was okay and a few mentioned that the parking could be better. This item will be dropped from the agenda.

9. COMMITTEE REPORTS -

- A. ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE- (Courtial and Carroll/Alternate: Weidmer)
ACTION TAKEN- AC Johnson reported on the progress of the Fire Station to be constructed in Shingle Springs. Director Weidmer asked if the costs would remain the same for the District with an expansion. The District costs would remain the same. The construction should start about November. Deputy Fire Marshal Baldock has visited with several of the neighbors in the area and they all are in support of the new Fire Station. The Fire District plans on hearing from the Rancheria before the next Board meeting.

9. COMMITTEE REPORTS – continued-

B. FIRE SAFE COUNCIL - (Mahach)

ACTION TAKEN – Director Mahach reported Sly Park Hills has a secondary exit for Fire emergencies. They will be holding a drill soon. The Fire Safe Council has received FEMA grant funding for a public assistance program for senior citizens and disabled citizens to help them with keeping their property fire safe.

10. EL DORADO COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES AUTHORITY (JPA) -

ACTION TAKEN- Director Weidmer reported that the move up to cover policy was to be changed to help meet response time requirements.

11. LEGISLATIVE MATTERS-

A. Report on litigation and/or State Budget issues-

ACTION TAKEN – The State Budget is being revised. There should not be any effect on the public safety agencies. The County is making cuts in its budget.

12. CORRESPONDENCE AND COMMUNICATION –

 Department Activity Report-

 JPA Activity Report -

 Letter to Chief Bruce Lacher from William Wright regarding the Texas Hill Station/Marketable Record Title Act

13. CHIEF'S REPORT –

ACTION TAKEN- Chief Lacher reported that crews have been busy recently. There have been two significant vegetation fires. One in Sierra Springs area and one in the Cool area. Even though there has been rain, the fire danger is still at an extreme. There have been two residential fires where property

13. CHIEF'S REPORT – continued-

damage has been kept to a minimum, great stop by crews. The new Engine #21 is in the parking lot for examination of anyone wishing to see it. The District is currently recruiting for Firefighter/Paramedic positions. There will be interviews the week after next. A substitute Legal Council has been contacted regarding the contract with the Rancheria. The Fire Chief's have scheduled a BBQ for all Board members from All of the Fire Districts on June 27, 2008, 6:00 p.m. at the Rescue Community Center. Board Secretary, Patti Kellogg updated the Board of Director's regarding the three positions that will be up for elections. The Ethics Workshop will be held Friday, July 18, 2008.

14. BOARD COMMENTS-

Pat Carroll- Thanks to E25 and M25 for the evening parade on the 16th

Tom Mahach- Be sure to have a list for fire evacuation.

Thanks to the crews

Curtiss Weidmer- Absent

Ed Courtial – No comments

Joe Rose- The Fire District is an excellent organization

15. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS-

Next meeting: Regularly scheduled Board Meeting June 19, 2008 @ 2850 Fairlane Court, Building "C", Placerville, California.

Agenda closing time 4:30 P.M., Tuesday June 10, 2008.

16. ADJOURNMENT- 5:38 P.M.

ACTION TAKEN- Director Mahach motioned to adjourn the meeting and Director Carroll seconded the motion.

AYES: Carroll, Courtial, Mahach, and Rose

NOES: None

ABSENT: Weidmer

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