

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

**MINUTES
February 17, 2011**

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

2:00 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 3:10 P.M.

2. ROLL CALL:

Present: Mahach, Johnson, Courtial
Absent: Rose, Edwards

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Pledge of Allegiance was recited

4. APPROVE AGENDA:

It was moved by Director Johnson and seconded by Director Mahach to approve the agenda as presented. The motion was passed by the following vote:

Ayes: Mahach, Johnson, Courtial
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: January 20, 2011 Regular Board Meeting

B. Claim Payments/Deposits

District Claims:

\$23,215.88

\$33,750.00

\$367,775.83

\$145,860.84

JPA Claims:

\$50,243.86

\$8,822.44

Deposits:

\$4,177.74

\$1,638.43

\$816,173.09

It was moved by Director Mahach and seconded by Director Johnson to approve the agenda as presented. The motion was passed by the following vote:

Ayes: Mahach, Johnson, Courtial
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).

No public comment

7. REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION:

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No action taken

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The lawsuit that Diamond Springs filed against our District has been dismissed by the court. The court found that the stipulated dismissal was not appealable.

8. DEPARTMENTAL MATTERS:

A. Presentation from City of Placerville re: Redevelopment Agency

Table to the March 17, 2011 Meeting

C. Cal-Pers Amended Safety Contract

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D. LAFCO Special District Selection Committee

No board member wished to be on the LAFCO Special District Selection Ballot

E. Fire Recovery Report

El Dorado County Fire entered into an agreement with Fire Recovery USA to bill for select emergency response incidents that occur within our jurisdiction. Battalion Chief Huffman provided the board with an updated report on the progress of the program and fees collected to date.

9. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

A. Facilities & Equipment (Courtial/Johnson)

Director Johnson reported that 90% of station 28 has been sheet rocked, and the building should be finished by the end of April 2011.

B. Fire Prevention (Mahach/Johnson)

Director Mahach reported Vickie Yorty will take over Pollock Pines Fire Council. Some insurance companies are not covering homes in this area.

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

Chief Lacher reported the JPA has been looking at a anti-theft device. One of the units has been using the device for the past 30 days. The device seems to be very efficient, all units will be outfitted with the device. Chief Hardy reported it is an add-on device that is wired into the ignition. The unit can be left running, once it is in park a code will need to be entered into the device for it to be able to engage. A code will also need to be entered in order to start the unit. Chief Lacher discussed the issue of the JPA audit report. The JPA and the district are still working on the loaned labor issue. The districts auditor will be meeting with JPA's auditor the first week in March. The TLC ambulance company is still pursuing to get a permit to operate in the county. Health and Safety Code 1297.224 authorizes the Board of Supervisors to designate an agency that was previously operating in this county continuously pre-1980 exclusive operating rights. The Fire District has a meeting with County Council on Tuesday to try and resolve the issue.

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

No Report

E. Budget and Finance (Courtial/Edwards)

No Report

10. CORRESPONDENCE AND COMMUNICATION:

- Thank you letter to Chief Lacher
- Thank you letter from Camino School for the Fire Safety Presentation
- Letter from El Dorado County reappointing Chief Lacher as a member of the Fire Advisory Committee
- Engine Statistics
- Agenda for El Dorado County Emergency Medical Services Authority

11. FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT:

Chief Lacher reported he received a public records act request from a reporter at the Mountain Democrat on the firefighter's salaries. He also reported the Pony Express training site has logged 1,100 man hours in 12 months doing hands on training. The district has had six recent employee's retire, Captains Parker, Mitchell, Beaver and Chandler, Engineers Simmons and Guthrie.

12. BOARD COMMENTS:

Mahach: No comment
Johnson: No comment
Rose: Absent
Courtial: No comment
Edwards: Absent

13. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

Next regularly scheduled Board Meeting, March 17, 2011,
2850 Fair Lane Court, Building C, Placerville, CA 95667

14. ADJOURNMENT: 4:10 P.M.

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