

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

**Minutes**

**Regular Board Meeting  
January 21, 2010**

2850 Fairlane Court Building "C"  
Placerville, CA 95667  
2:00 P.M. Closed Session  
3:00 P.M. Open Session

**2:00 P.M. CLOSED SESSION**

1. 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, and Director Dennis Edwards. Consider designation of additional representatives.
2. 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. Closed session to discuss existing litigation pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9. The name of the case is Wilkinson v. EDCFPD, El Dorado County Superior Court No. P.C. 20090313.

**3:00 P.M. OPEN SESSION**

1. **CALL TO ORDER:**  
Director Courtial called the meeting to order at 3:01 P.M.
2. **ROLL CALL:**   **Present:** Courtial, Edwards, Mahach, Weidmer  
                                  **Absent:** Rose
3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**  
Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
4. **APPROVE AGENDA:**  
It was moved by Director Edwards and seconded by Director Weidmer to adopt the

agenda as presented. The motion was passed by the following vote:

Ayes: Edwards, Weidmer, Courtial, Mahach

Noes: None

Absent: Rose

**5. CONSENT CALENDAR:**

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

**A. Minutes: November 19, 2009 Regular Board Meeting**

**B. Claim Payments/Deposits**

**November 2009**

District Claims:

\$108,137.47

\$158,593.20

JPA Claims:

\$7,682.16

\$7,734.61

Deposits:

\$3,776.86

\$2,026.33

\$7,561.42

\$1,589.48

\$663.13

\$196.54

**C. Claim Payments/Deposits**

**December 2009**

District Claims:

\$23,997.58

\$44,217.56

\$125,253.12

JPA Claims:

\$8,376.80

\$3,617.96

\$31,948.92

Deposits:

\$356.61

\$3,224.69

\$4,495.56

\$836.82

\$867.84

\$335.06

Director Edwards had questions regarding the expended amount for over time and vehicle maintenance. Chief Lacher explained that we have received money from the State for strike teams and it will show in next month report. Chief Lacher will look into vehicle maintenance and report back to the board.

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

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

**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).

New Union President Lucas Shepard introduced himself and the two new Vice Presidents Jason Lindberg and Ty Dennis to the board.

**7. REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION:**

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No action taken

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Court Case has been dropped

**8. DEPARTMENTAL MATTERS:**

**A. Resolution 2010-01 commending Assistant Chief Johnson for 31 years of dedicated service to the district**

Tabled to the February meeting

**B. Review and reaffirm membership and structure of the El Dorado County Emergency Services Authority (JPA)**

Presentation by Executive Director Marty Hackett and JPA Chairman Brian Veerkamp on the operations and progress of the JPA over the past two years.

It was moved by Director Weidmer and seconded by Director Mahach to reaffirm the membership and structure of the JPA. The motion was passed by the following vote:

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

**C. Review and award bid of fire station 28 construction project**

Chief Lacher reported DG Granade was the lowest bid received for Shingle Springs Fire Station 28 construction, coming in at \$2,282,000.00. Construction Manager Fred Russell and contractor Doug Granade addressed the Board regarding the contract.

Chairman Rose arrived during discussions.

It was moved by Director Mahach and seconded by Director Weidmer to accept and award the bid to DG Granade, Inc. The motion was passed by the following vote:

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

Motion to authorize Chief Lacher the authority to approve and sign necessary documents to help expedite the station 28 project. All approvals will be reviewed at the following board meeting. Moved by Director Weidmer and seconded by Director Edwards. The motion was passed by the following vote:

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

**D. Waterline Easement for the new station 28**

Chief Lacher reported that the district is required to grant EID permanent right to enter, re-enter, occupy and use station 28 property to construct, maintain, repair, replace, remove, enlarge and operate the water pipeline and all underground and surface equipment relating to the waterline.

It was moved by Director Mahach and seconded by Director Weidmer to authorize the easement to EID. The motion was passed by the following vote:

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

**E. Surplus of equipment and property of station 28, 3860 Ponderosa Rd.**

Resolution 2010-02 authorizing staff to dispose of miscellaneous property and equipment that the fire district will no longer be utilizing from station 28.

It was moved by Director Mahach and seconded by Chair Rose to dispose of surplus equipment. The motion was passed by the following vote:

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

**F. Review and accept donation of property next to station 19**

Chief Lacher reported that Mr. Toogood, adjacent property owner to station 19 has offered to donate 1 acre of land to the fire district in exchange for fire district development and plan check fees. The district will also pay for an appraisal of the property. Fee for the appraisal not to exceed \$500.

It was moved by Director Weidmer and seconded by Director Mahach to accept transfer of property. The motion was passed by the following vote:

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

**G. Automatic Aid Agreement with the Folsom City Fire Department**

Chief Lacher discussed with the Fire Chief for the City of Folsom the potential need to establish an automatic aid agreement. Such an agreement would be beneficial to both agencies in the event of an incident requiring draw-down for either agency.

It was moved by Director Mahach and seconded by Director Weidmer to approve the Automatic Aid Agreement with the City of Folsom. The motion was passed by the following vote:

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

**9. COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**A. Facilities & Equipment**

No action taken

**B. Fire Prevention**

Director Mahach reported Fire Safe Council did not have a meeting in December. The annual joint meeting will be held at 1:00, January 27, 2010 at Cameron Park CSD.

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

No report, covered in Item 8B. Director Weidmer asked about the results of the JPA audit. He also had questions regarding paramedic procedures and continuing education.

**D. Human Resources**

No action taken

**10. CORRESPONDENCE AND COMMUNICATION:**

- Letter of Resignation from Director Weidmer
- Thank you from Pollock Pines-Camino Rotary to Station 17
- Christmas Card from Inge Clarke to Battalion Chief Huffman
- Thank you to E-21 Crew from Becky Rounds
- Thank you to Captain Branaugh, Firefighters Ramirez, Ziebarth and Adams from the Travers family
- Thank you to El Dorado County Fire District from the City of La Canada Flintridge
- Thank you to Captain Baldock and Crew 25 from Snowline Hospice
- Thank you to Captain Pott, Firefighters Preston, Huffman and Heliker from the Finley Family
- Letter from Search Dog Foundation to Assistant Chief Cima and Ace for their dedication to Canine Disaster Search Teams.
- Letter from Sheriff Jeff Neves to Chief Lacher and the Fire District for their outstanding service during the winter storm
- Letter from Sacramento Local 522 Honor Guard to Chief Lacher to thank him for allowing the Honor Guard to assist at Rich Ibarra's funeral
- El Dorado County Emergency Medical Services Agency Certificates of Completion for H1N1 vaccination training awarded to Firefighters Borrego, VanKirk, and Snyder
- Engine response stats
- Agenda for El Dorado County Emergency Services Authority, JPA Systems Management Committee Meeting

- Agenda for El Dorado County Emergency Services Authority, Board of Directors Meeting
- Agenda for El Dorado County Emergency Services Authority, Finance Committee Meeting

**11. CHIEF OFFICER QUARTERLY REPORTS:**

**12. FIRE CHIEF’S REPORT:**

Chief Lacher reported that Chief Cima and Ace were activated to Haiti, unfortunately the USAR task force was held at Travis Air Force Base. The fire study from City Gate will be presented January 27, 2010 at 1:00 station 85. Interviews are scheduled for the replacement of Assistant Chief Johnson. Other promotions to follow. Recruitment for firefighter/paramedics are taking place. The Chief also reported that the Marshall Hospital Foundation has donated property in Camino with 8-10 houses on 2 acres for the district to use for training purposes. The district is looking into the possibility of leasing the property for a couple of years. Director Mahach reported that he and the Chief met with Supervisor Nutting regarding development fees. Supervisor Nutting was pleased with the discussion and would like to see a County wide policy.

**13. BOARD COMMENTS:**

- Weidmer: no comment
- Mahach: no comment
- Edwards: It’s been a pleasure to work with Director Weidmer
- Courtial: no comment
- Rose: Would like to thank the crews of E-25, E-21 and M-25 for their help with his house fire.

**14. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:**

- Election of Officers
- Replacement of Director Weidmer
- Strategic planning
- Next regularly scheduled Board Meeting, February 18, 2010, 2850 Fairlane Court, Building C, Placerville, CA

**15. ADJOURNMENT: 5:20 P.M.**

It was motioned by Director Weidmer and seconded by Director Mahach to adjourn the meeting.