

**AMADOR FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Meeting Was Recorded

Jackson, California
Tuesday, August 15, 2023
10:31 AM

The Board of Directors of the Amador Fire Protection District met in the County Administration Center, 810 Court Street, Jackson, California, on the above date pursuant to adjournment, and the following proceedings were had, to wit:

Present:

Jeff Brown, Chair
Brian Oneto, Vice Chair
Pat Crew, Director
Frank Axe, Director
Richard Forster, Director

Absent:

Staff:

Robert Withrow, Fire Chief
Nicole Cook, Clerk of the Board

AGENDA

MOTION: It was moved by Director Forster and seconded by Director Crew and carried 5-0-0, to approve the agenda.

PUBLIC MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA: Chair Brown updated Staff that he had met with PG&E. PG&E indicated that there may be more "fast trips" which are designed to de-energize power lines, activated by fallen debris or birds. He also reported that the transmission portion of PG&E will be separated and independent from the company.

ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

Fire Chief Update:

District Events: Kayla Dale, PIO presented and reminded the Board that the Fire Chief attends every meeting with her. Discussion ensued relative to subject matter. No action was taken. Events mentioned are as follows:

- July 20th – Sirs in Retirement; introduction and fire prevention awareness
- July 22nd – Two Sentinel's Girl Scout Camp *2nd visit which included Pine Grove station and engine tours
- July 26-31 – Amador County Fair, special thank you to those who were present and participated; they were 12-14 hour shifts. There were minor incidents that had occurred but crews were ready.
- August 1st – Two Sentinel's Girl Scout Camp 3rd visit
- August 3rd – 4 p.m. and 6 p.m. *Once a month fire safety and Fire Wise presentations

- August 12th - Lockwood Radio Group; tactics and Fire Wise
- August 14th – Extinguisher training performed for the Amador County School District and Transportation District. Special thank you to Battalion Chief Rob Ebling and personnel who assisted with hands on training.
- Upcoming events include the following:
 - CHP partnership video of “Back-to-school Road Safety”, it was also mentioned that efforts related to traffic hazards on Latrobe Road is in the works.
 - Pine Grove Mobile Home Park presentation
 - Public Health Car Seat Check Day
 - Fiddlers Jam & Station 123 open house in Fiddletown

Further discussion ensued related to Fire Wise; there are currently thirty four Fire Wise communities in Amador, soon to be thirty six. Fire Wise motto is “*Help Thy Neighbor*”.

Fire Chief’s Association Meeting: Discussion ensued relative to subject matter, specifically dispatching. Dispatching consists of two parts; mapping and response plan. The response plan is type(s) of resource allocation based on the emergency type. Local Chiefs are having issues with the response plan, changes have been made along the way. Amador Fire will be hosting a meeting between the local fire chiefs, a board member from their board and the state. The meeting is to ensure that the state is not replacing local engines, especially since local jurisdiction has authority. Direction given to Staff that the Chair and Vice Chair will attend the meeting.

Fire Prevention: DFM Larry Stanton addressed the Board by giving an update on fire prevention matters; highlighting Victory Village, The Hideout and State Forestry 4290 inspections. Discussion ensued relative to subject matter. Introduction of Fire Prevention Officer, Ashley Anaya was performed. Director Brown gave direction to Staff to contact ACRA regarding the Pioneer Vet Hall not having the KNOX keys in box.

Volunteer Program: Discussion ensued relative to subject matter, status quo with one new volunteer Seth Harlan. No action was taken.

New Station: Discussion ensued relative to subject matter. No action was taken. Property has been surveyed by Toma & Associates, AutoCAD files and maps sent to Jon Hopkins GSA Director for review and implementation of draft RFQ.

Surplus Property: Discussion ensued relative to subject matter.

MOTION: It was moved by Director Oento and seconded by Director Crew and carried 5-0-0 to approve the surplus of 2008 Chevy Truck to Lockwood Fire Protection District and swap with 2015 Ford Truck as the AFD Fire Chiefs vehicle.

District Monthly Reports: Discussion ensued relative to subject matter. Chief Withrow presented.

Call Report: No action taken, report only and discussion ensued relative to subject matter.

Training Report: No action taken, report only

Vehicle Maintenance Report: No action taken, report only and discussion ensued relative to subject matter.

MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS:

Minutes for Meeting from July 18th, 2023: Discussion ensued relative to subject matter.

Minutes for Meeting from August 8th, 2023: Discussion ensued relative to subject matter.

MOTION: It was moved by Director Axe and seconded by Director Crew and carried 5-0-0 to approve the July 18th regular meeting minutes and the August 8th special meeting minutes with no changes.

ADJOURNMENT: At 11:11 am. Chair Brown adjourned the meeting until Tuesday, September 19th, 2023.



Chair, Amador Fire Protection District

