



LOMA RICA/BROWNS VALLEY

COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT

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MINUTES SEPTEMBER 19, 2022

1. MEETING CALL TO ORDER:

Present:: Biggs, High, Kattuah, Kinkle, Yarborough

2. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION: Legal counsel, Brant Bordsen of Rich, Fuidge, Bordsen & Galyean, Inc. was present and was introduced to the Board.

3. APPROVE MINUTES:

- A. August 15, 2022 Regular Meeting: Motion by High to Approve the Minutes as presented; Second by Kinkle
Biggs, High, Kattuah, Kinkle, Yarborough – AYE
Motion carried

4. ACCOUNTING: The warrant to 49er Communications was to repair a radio screen.

5. CHIEF'S REPORT (DC Jim Mathias):

- A. Per email from Chief Bartsch, the extrication equipment has been ordered, it is expected to take approximately 4 months for receipt. Payment is due when the order is filled.
- B. Per Chief Bartsch, BME has not yet received the chassis for the new Type III engine, they are anticipating receipt in November. The anticipated delivery status to our District is now April 2023.
- C. Per Chief Bartsch, the State purchased an extractor, larger and more efficient than the old District machine. It was installed at Station 61. The Board needs to decide what to do with the old one—Chief Mathias recommends keeping it as a back up.
- D. Chief Bartsch stated there were 71 calls in August: 34 medical aid, 5 public assistance, 1 medical rescue, 11 vehicle accidents, 1 structure fire, 10 vegetation fires, 1 vehicle fire, 1 false alarm, 1 hazardous conditions, and 6 calls to assist other agencies.
- E. Chief Mathias stated the area is experiencing critically dry fuel loads. The ERC (Energy Released Components) from the Mosquito Fire was the highest ever.
- F. Chief Mathias reported the YTD fire situation: down 43 fires and down 3,159 acres (however the Mosquito Fire is not included in the total since the fire is still active—currently only 14% is located in an SRA, and 86% USFS)

6. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT:

- A. GM Shields stated the District received a letter from the County Elections Clerk regarding the upcoming election. Two board members filed for the three available positions. Director Kinkle can be reappointed in January to fill the empty position.
- B. The District received a Notice of Non-Renewal from its old insurance company; however, a new policy is already in place.

7. DISCUSS PURCHASE OF A NEW ENGINE:

- A. Chief Mathias recommends the District purchase a Type I engine, the same as used by CalFire (manufacturer is Smeal), as their personnel are familiar with the apparatus. The price 30 days ago was \$735,000 and Mathias was told the price increases every 30 days.
 - 1. Chair Kattuah stated the CalFire Captains should be involved in the selection of the new engine
 - 2. Director Biggs questioned if the cab-over design of the Smeal model recommended would lead to the same overheating issues currently experienced by Engine 61. Chief Mathias stated the new design prevents the overheating issues.



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8. **DISCUSS AND APPROVE REPLACING “BURN PERMIT” SECTIONS ON 2 SIGNS IN DISTRICT:** GM Shields to discuss with Chief Bartsch to see if entire signs need refreshing or even replacement
 9. **DISCUSS AND APPROVE NEW SHIRTS FOR DIRECTORS:** tabled for October meeting
 10. **BOARD AND STAFF MEMBER REPORTS:**
 - A. Director Biggs informed the Board the JPA is considering increasing the annual dues to make up for the donation that is no longer received from Setzer since CHY sold the tower at Oregon Peak. The lease cost was \$5,040 for 2022-2023 (September 1 to August 31), which is more than half of the current budget.
 - B. The Five-Year Plan ad hoc committee will meet Thursday, September 22nd at 10am
 - C. Director Yarborough stated he has not yet contacted BVID about wharf valve improvements.

MEETING ADJOURNED 7:54pm

Respectfully submitted
Kim Biggs—Vice Chair