

**DIAMOND SPRINGS-EL DORADO FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT**  
**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES**  
**April 13, 2021**

**PLACE: DIAMOND SPRINGS FIRE STATION 49**  
501 Pleasant Valley Road  
Diamond Springs, CA 95619  
or via Zoom Conference

Director Williams called the meeting to order at 3:09

Roll call as follows: Those present are  
Director Williams  
Director Boylan  
Director Phillips  
Director Moffett  
Director Cooper  
Chief Ransdell  
Deputy Chief Earle  
Paul Gant, District Counsel

The Board was in-person, zoom setup in the classroom for personnel and available for public.

Meeting adjourned to re-convene the closed session at 3:10 pm.

Meeting called back to order at 3:35 pm

Report from Closed Session

1. Board gave direction to the negotiations team
2. No action
3. No action

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A motion to table Old Business Item #1 - Shared Service Agreement made by Richard Boylan. Seconded by David Phillips. Motion approved by unanimous roll call vote. A motion to add Item #3 – Board By-Laws to New Business made by Richard Boylan. Seconded by Dave Phillips. Motion approved by unanimous roll call vote.

A Motion to approve the Agenda as amended made by Richard Boylan. Seconded by Dave Phillips. Motion approved by unanimous roll call vote.

A motion to approve the Minutes from the March 9, 2021 Board of Directors Meeting as presented made by Richard Boylan. Motion seconded by Dave Phillips. Motion approved.

Director Williams opened public forum at 3:56 pm.

1. Correspondence: Chief received a thank you letter from the Puthuff Family regarding our response to the Wells Fargo Fire on April 7, 2021.

Consent Items: District Bills and DSP-JPA Bills for April 2021 submitted. Discussion on invoice from Interwest for plan review consulting. Discussion on invoice from Froggy's – Smoke machine for training. A motion to approve the consent items as presented made by Gary Cooper. Motion seconded by Peter Moffett Motion approved by unanimous roll call vote.

#### Chief's Report – Chief Ransdell –

- Ready to launch the 2021-2022 Preliminary Budget
- Chief will step down as the OES Fire Coordinator.
- Had a meeting with Veerkamp & Jorgenson with the JPA to check in and see how things are going..
- Completed the report for the Homeland Security Grant.
- JPA Adhoc Meeting on contract scheduled for next week.
- El Dorado Mobilization Plan is being updated for strike teams.
- FF Entry Level & FF Lateral flyer to go out this week.
- PPE Grant – Arson & Ballistics funds have not come in yet.
- Strategic Planning Update – Four people responded to the interest email. Currently looking at companies to provide quotes.

#### Deputy Chief Earle

- Lots of Building- El Dorado Community Health Center to break ground this month.
- Receiving applications for several SB35 High Density, low-income projects. These projects may use a more streamlined process to get through the planning process. (Hospice, Koki Lane, Racquet Way).
- Dealing with an enforcement issue at Bonanza Auto.
- Lots of construction at The Crossings Project (7-11, Habit Burger, Dutch Brothers).
- Covid – There has been an uptick in cases. We are still in the Orange Tier and working on plans for Red & Yellow Tiers.

#### Old Business

1. Shared Services Agreement – Tabled
2. MOU Ratification - Changes identified during closed session. District Counsel to draft update. Hoping to ratify MOU at next month's Board Meeting.
3. Indemnity Agreement for use of Training Tower – A motion to approve the Indemnity Agreement with El Dorado County Search & Rescue made by Peter Moffett. Motion seconded by Gary Cooper. Motion approved by unanimous roll call vote.

#### New Business

- 1, Extension of Chief Ransdell's contract was discussed in closed session. Director Williams called for public comment on the item. Motion to not renew Chief Ransdell's contract made by David Phillips. Motion seconded by Richard Boylan. Roll Call Vote as follows: Williams, Nay, Boylan, Aye, Phillips, Aye, Moffett, Aye, Cooper, Aye. Motion to not extend Chief Ransdell's contract approved 4 to 1.
2. Design for Local 4972 Duty Shirts – Employees said the shirts to be worn under their Class B Uniform Shirts. Boylan said he can see how the shirts capture the Gold Country Era. Cooper has reservations because of Alcohol relation. Williams has concerns about the back of the shirt. The employees will talk to the Artist about redesigning the log so it does not resemble the Jack Daniels logo as much. They will bring back a revised design next month.

3. Board Policies & By-Laws – Board policies and by-laws need to be updated. Have everyone review and bring back to board for approval.

New Purchases: None

Station 47 Update– District Counsel, Paul Gant said that the restricted covenant on use of Station is no longer valid or enforceable. We have full ownership. This will be an agenda item on for next month’s meeting.

Employee/Union: Franzen – Union Rep Franzen was positive about the recent communications between the Union and the Board Members and looks forward to continuing that relationship. He reported that the crews are staying busy operationally, and are preparing for a busy summer.

Director Williams closed the Open Forum at 3:36 pm.

Motion to adjourn made by Richard Boylan. Motion seconded by David Phillips Meeting adjourned at 4:23 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Lori Tuthill, Board Secretary