

RIVER DELTA FIRE DISTRICT – BOARD OF DIRECTORS

LES WOLFSON · JOE DEAK · KENNETH (SKIP) VANDEVENTER

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

AUGUST 8, 2023 AT 10:00 AM

RIVER DELTA FIRE DISTRICT, FIRE STATION 94 – 16969 JACKSON SLOUGH ROAD ISLETON, CA

1. **Call to Order – Roll Call – Pledge of Allegiance**

Meeting called to order at 10:00 am

Present – Les Wolfson, Skip Vandeventer, Chief Paul Cutino, Assistant Chief Larry Gardiner, Suzanne Daggert – District Treasurer/Secretary; Gay Giles, homeowner and Chief Michael O'Connor, Montezuma Fire Protection District

Absent – Joe Deak

2. **Adoption of the Agenda** – The agenda was approved on a motion made by Les, seconded by Skip. Motion passed unanimously.

3. **Public Comment** – Chief O'Connor advised that he is pleased about the working relationship he has with Chief Paul and has been pleased the training his firefighters have received at the training academy.

4. **Chief's Report – Chief Cutino**

Operations

No major incidents recently. Mutual aid has been provided to Montezuma.

The fire academy is continuing. There are currently 8 candidates.

A new 40-yard dumpster will be ordered as trash is piling up.

Apparatus

Engine 294 remains in service. Engine 94 is out of service. There is nothing wrong with the engine, the new grass rig has been placed in service.

Caliveras Consolidated will be donating a low mileage engine to the department. The apparatus is in mint condition. The only cost would be for the labor on completing the air conditioning, which is estimated to be about \$5,000. Engine 94 could be sold once the new engine arrives.

Grants

SCBA has reached out with further clarification on the \$170,000 grant application. Chief is hopeful that a decision will be communicated within a couple of weeks.

No word from AFG on the grant application.

Matthew Hawkins has reached out and indicated that the beneficiary questionnaire would not be sufficient to release the grant funds. Suzanne will reach out to Rebecca Sloan to set up a meeting with Pat Hume to see if he can be of assistance.

CalFire Volunteer Fire Capacity Grant of \$12,000 has been awarded! It will be used for hoses and hose testing.

5. Action Items (New Business)

5.1 Approval of Minutes July 11, 2023 – Skip moved that the minutes be approved. Les seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

5.2 Treasurer’s Report – Skip moved that the treasurer’s report be accepted. Les seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Skip moved that the District apply for a Cal-Card. Les seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

5.3 Mutual Aid with Delta District – No update

6. Board Member Comments

Wolfson: None

Deak: None

Vandeventer: The new sign has arrived. The sound will be installed the week of August 14th. Also next week, the rope on the flag pole and the lights and cameras will be installed. Culligan water has been contacted about installing a water filtration system. Air 94 is also in need of complete service. Larry will follow up with the station at I-5 and Highway 12 to see what the cost of the service would be.

7. Action Items (Old Business)

7.1 Adoption of Stipend Program – No new updates

7.2 Mutual Aid with Delta District – No new updates

8. Reports/Presentation

8.1 Assistant Chief Gardiner’s Report: No updates

8.2 Building Committee: The building committee met briefly after the district meeting to review a list of projects to prioritize for the next year.

9. Future Agenda Item Requests

10. Adjournment – The meeting was adjourned at 11:13 am on a motion made by Les and seconded by Skip.