



PAJARO VALLEY FIRE DISTRICT
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MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING FOR THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
PAJARO VALLEY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

March 16, 2023

- Call to Order/Roll Call
- Chair Martone-Present
- Director Murphy-Present
- Vice Chair Erbe-Present
- Director Sampson-Present
- Director Kolodinski-Absent

Public comments (not to exceed 3 minutes) for items not listed on the agenda.

1. Presentations: DISCUSSION

- A. Jordan Motta, CAL FIRE, L2881
Jordan Motta, Chapter Director L2881- introduced himself to the Board. Represents 8K members.
- B. Chief's Report, Pajaro Valley
BC Murray reported on the following:
Multiple calls for service during most recent round of floods. National Guard was utilized to provide assistance in some locations.
2 water rescues on Paulsen Road. Had to rescue person who tried to cross the flooded road.
Engine being repaired. Unknown cost or ETA
Personnel attended the following training: company officer, advanced fire behavior, rapid intervention group.
No current issues with the facility,
One fire engineer resigned and took a job with Oakland Fire.
- C. Incident Report, City of Watsonville
No questions from the Board

2. Minutes ACTION

- A. Approval of the minutes from the Regular Board Meeting on January 19, 2023.

*Motion approving the Minutes: __ Director Murphy__ Second: __Vice Chair Erbe__
All in favor __All__*

- B. Approval of the minutes from the Special Board Meeting on February 9, 2023.

*Motion approving the Minutes: __ Vice Chair Erbe__ Second: __Director Sampson__
All in favor __All__*

3. Consent Agenda ACTION

- A. Expenditure reports, Vendor & Deposit summary
- B. Year to Date County Reports
- C. American Express statements

**Motion approving Consent Agenda: __ Director Sampson __ Second: __ Vice Chair Erbe __
All in favor __ All __**

- 4. Committee Reports** **DISCUSSION**
- A. Strategic Planning Committee Report Proposition 218-**Director Martone**
Chair Martone reviewed the history of the proposition. The Board was made aware that with CalFire firefighters seeking an increase in salaries, this will mean a 37% increase for FY 24/25. Firefighters are also moving to a 56-hr workweek. Both would impact the funding available. The increase has caused the District to pause on seeking the proposition. The assessment would require an ask of constituents in the amount of \$200. The contract with SCI will be paused for one year to allow the District time to review funding sources and consider how to move forward with a pending \$300K deficit in FY 24/25. BC Murray reported that due to the type of contract with SCI, we can pause it and only pay for what we have already requested. Director Murphy stressed that the Directors are not mad at the firefighters for getting paid what they should be but they need to look at the funding and staffing impacts. Chair Martone asked for information on 2-0 staffing to keep the District out of the red. Erbe asked if the properties that have not been properly assessed can be reviewed and make sure that taxes are being paid. BC Murray will ask SCI to submit a proposal to review the assessments.
- C. Finance Committee Report-**NONE**
D. Audit Committee Report-**NONE**
- 5. Old Business** **ACTION**
- A. Resolution 2023-04 Approval to continue with teleconferenced/videoconference meetings in accordance with AB 361.
Discussion of proposed changes to hold hybrid Board Meetings.
With the governor rescinding the teleconference. Assembly bill 2149 allows Board members to attend meetings virtually but they have to meet certain requirements. BC Murray recommends that the Board not continue virtual meeting but it will be televised for constituents.
- Motion to approve Resolution 2023-04: __ None __ Second: __ None __
All in favor: __ Resolution was not approved.**
- 6. New Business** **ACTION**
- A. Resolution 2023-05 Transfer of Funds
**Motion to approve Resolution 2023-05: __ Director Murphy __ Second: __ Vice Chair Erbe __
All in favor: __ All __**
- B. Approval to purchase and install Cradlepoint E-4511
Review Staff Report and Quotation
BC Murray explained the purpose of the CradlePoint which is used for navigation and to document patient information on a tablet that is then transferred to the ambulance. Currently crews are using cell phones to get WiFi. CradlePoint will allow all the devices to have wifi access.
- Motion to approve purchase and installation of Cradlepoint
__ Vice Chair Erbe __ Second: __ Director Sampson __ All in favor: __ All __**
- C. Selection of Regular Member LAFCO Committee
Board to review and discuss LAFCO Committee Member Applications
Board to vote and approve selection of LAFCO Committee Member
The Board reviewed the letters from the two candidates and selected Rachel Lather.
- 7. Correspondence - NONE** **DISCUSSION**

8. Discussion - NONE

9. Agenda items for the next meeting

DISCUSSION

A. Schedule Special Board Meeting for April 2023

No special meeting will be held due to the deficit. Director Murphy suggested that the Directors consider funding sources available. Director Sampson asked for the cost of the Watsonville contract. BC Murray explained the contract and how the pricing is adjusted.

BC Murray reminded the Board to complete form 700. If forms are not completed, the District will be fined.

10. Adjournment

ACTION

Motion to adjourn __Vice Chair Erbe__Second__ Director Sampson____
All in favor __All__ Time __5:39pm__

Next scheduled Regular Board Meeting
May 18, 2023 @ 5:00 p.m.

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Board Clerk

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Robert Erbe
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Board Vice Chair