SAN RAMON VALLEY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING

Minutes – February 22, 2012

MISSION STATEMENT

In the spirit of our tradition, we strive for excellence, respectfully serving all with pride, honor and compassion.

Location:

1500 Bollinger Canyon Road

Administrative Building-Boardroom

San Ramon, CA 94583

Board Members Present: Directors Linari, Lindsay, Price, Stamey and Umont

<u>Staff Present:</u> Chief Price, Assistant Chief Hart, Interim Ops Chief Picard, Administrative Services Director Leete, District Counsel Ross, Deputy Fire Marshal Stevens, Technology Systems Manager Call, Finance Supervisor Sasser, Acting Battalion Chief Bradley, Union President Keel, District Clerk Brooks.

1. Call to Order

President Linari called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

President Linari led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Determination of Quorum and Confirmation of Agenda

There was a quorum.

4. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

5. Consent Calendar

Director Lindsay moved approval of Consent Calendar items 5.1-5.8 (1-2). Director Price seconded the motion. Motion carried.

At this time in the meeting, District Counsel Ross stated that the Board returned from Closed Session at 7:04 p.m. and there was no reportable action regarding the one closed session item regarding negotiations.

6. Special Announcements/Presentations/General Business

6.1 Badge Pinning Ceremony for Engineers Shane Bennett, Engineer Joe Bradley, Engineer Jeff Ho and Engineer Chris Parsons.

Chief Price provided backgrounds on the newly promoted Engineers. Board President Linari presented them with their Engineer badges which family members

pinned on, the families were then presented with gifts from the District. The Board members congratulated Engineers Bradley, Ho and Parsons. Engineer Bennett was unable to attend the meeting.

6.2 Recognition of Cardiac Survivor, Bystander Rescuers and District Crews.

Chief Price turned this item over to EMS Coordinator Swartzell who presented this item. Joe Farrell, a cardiac survivor was in attendance also. EMS Coordinator Swartzell presented the bystanders, our crews and survivor with recognitions. The Board congratulated all of those present.

At this time in the meeting, the Board took a short recess

7. Old Business

None:

8. New Business

8.1 Discussion and possible approval to advertise for Fire Chief position.

Director Umont asked for a motion to advertise for the position of Fire Chief because he is concerned that we now have a retired Chief. Director Stamey stated that it does not make sense because we do have a Chief. There was no motion for this item.

8.2 Discussion and possible appointment to Redevelopment Successor Agency Oversight Board for the City of San Ramon, and the Town of Danville.

Chief Price discussed this item stating that he and District Counsel were looking for the Boards approval for appointment to this oversight board.

Motion by Director Linari, seconded by Director Stamey to accept staff's recommendation that the Fire Chief be appointed to represent the District on the Oversight Board. Staff also recommended that District Counsel Ross serve as the alternate representative. Motion carried.

8.3 Authorization for approval of contract in the amount of \$146,500 to Southland Construction Management, Inc., for the training facility remodel.

Assistant Chief Hart discussed this item stating that there were 17 bidders and Southland Construction Management was the lowest bidder at \$146,500. Motion by Director Price, seconded by Director Lindsay to enter into a contract with Southland Construction Management for construction services for the training facility remodel. Motion carried.

9. Correspondence

Deputy Fire Marshal Stevens provided an update regarding the letters concerning the incident at the Danville Grange. Deputy Fire Marshal Stevens stated that the group has

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since found another location that is more suitable for them and that the issue has been resolved.

Board President Linari stated that as always, there were so many nice letters in the packet this month.

10. Monthly Activity Reports

10.1 Operations - Interim Ops. Chief Picard

Chief Price formally introduced the new Interim Operations Chief – Mike Picard. The Board congratulated Chief Picard. Chief Picard discussed the response time report, and highlighted a recent fire in the District. Chief Picard also said that the new recruits are in their provisional stage now and should be done by the end of March.

10.2 Support Services - Assistant Chief Hart

Assistant Chief Hart discussed Phase 1 plans regarding new Station 32, stating a preconstruction conference is tentatively planned for March 30, 2012.

10.3 Fire Prevention – Deputy Fire Marshal Stevens

Deputy Fire Marshal Stevens highlighted the HeartSafe demonstration at the State Capital earlier this month, complimenting staff on a great job. Director Umont asked if at the schools there are discussions regarding the use and safety issues of using presto logs in fireplaces, information that school age children can take home to their parents. Deputy Fire Marshal Stevens stated that yes, this is something that could be incorporated in Fire Prevention training.

10.4 Administrative Services – Administrative Services Director Leete

Administrative Services Director Leete stated that the new auditors seem to be very thorough and that assessments are in the process for Assistant Chief, Battalion Chief and Captain positions.

10.5 Fire Chief – Fire Chief Price

Chief Price discussed talks with the Museum of the San Ramon Valley and the possibility of them taking over the Old Schoolhouse, this item will come back again to the Board in the future. Chief Price has also been meeting with the City of San Ramon regarding Safe and Sane Fireworks. Chief Price has also been working on the budget development, Assistant Chief Recruitment, stressing that it has been a busy month.

11. Good of the Order

Chief Price asked if the Board would consider cancelling the regular August, 2012 Board meeting due to staff/board scheduling conflicts. The Board agreed to cancel the regularly scheduled August, 2012 Board meeting.

Director Stamey also announced that Chief Price has been nominated by the Danville Chamber as Citizen of the Year, and that this would be formally announced at an event on Thursday, February 23, 2012.

12. Closed Session

- Possible exposure to litigation (one matter). [Pursuant to Government Code §54956.9(b)(2) and 54954.5(c)]. Facts and circumstances that might result in litigation need not be disclosed. [Pursuant to Government Code §54956.9(b)(3)(A)].
- 12.2 Status of labor negotiations between the District and the San Ramon Valley Firefighters Association under the provisions [Authorized under Government Code §54957.6 and 54954.5(e)].
- 12.3 Personnel Matter: Request for Leave Without Pay [Pursuant to Government Code § 54957].
- 12.4 Existing litigation: City of Brentwood, et al v. Robert Campbell, in his Official Capacity of Auditor Controller of Contra Costa County, et al, Contra Costa Superior Court Case No. N11-1029.

13. Return to Open Session

Regular session ended: 8:26 p.m. Closed session began: 8:36 p.m. Closed session ended: 10:02 p.m.

Regular session reconvened: 10:02 p.m.

14. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 10:05 p.m., to the next regular meeting of <u>Wednesday, March</u> 28, 2012.

Prepared by:

Susan F. Brooks
District Clerk

Approved by:

Thomas J. Linari Board President