

**CLOVERDALE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
MINUTES FOR AUGUST 12, 2024
REGULAR MEETING**

**Regular meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Board President Pigoni at Cloverdale Fire Station –451 S. Cloverdale Blvd., Cloverdale, CA
Date Posted: Pursuant to Government Code 54954.2, the agenda for this meeting was properly posted on August 9, 2024**

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by Board President Pigoni

ROLL CALL:

Directors Present: Directors Taylor, Richardson and President Pigoni
Directors Absent: Directors Johnson and Southard
Others Present: Fire Chief, Jason Jenkins, Clerk of the Board, Michelle Black

AGENDA APPROVAL: Approved without change.

Director Taylor moved and Director Richardson seconded the motion to approve the Agenda without change.

Motion carried: Aye 3 No 0 Abstain 0 Absent 2 .

PUBLIC COMMENTS-GENERAL INTEREST: None

CONSENT CALENDAR:

No items

PROCLAMATION/PRESENTATION(S): None

PUBLIC HEARING: None held

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:

1. **Bookkeeper Report:**

- a.) Financial Report
- b.) Approval of Claims

Chief Jenkins reported cash assets as follows:

Institution	Amount	Purpose
Summit Bank Payroll	\$17,212.43	Payroll account
Summit Bank	\$326,548.95	Operations/Checking
Summit Bank	\$12,084.00	Reserve-Apparatus Fund
	\$864,887.94	Cash Sweep
	\$135.00	Petty Cash
TOTAL CASH ASSETS	\$1,220,868.32	

Municipal finance dozer reimbursement is reflected in the financial statements \$125,000. We will be putting more money in that account later this year. Overtime account in excess due to strike teams. Reimbursement from OES is faster than in the past.

Director Taylor moved and Director Richardson seconded the motion to approve the claims as presented.

Motion carried: Aye 3 No 0 Abstain 0 Absent 2 .

2. Agreement with Northern Sonoma County Fire Protection District regarding the Geysers annexation revenue

Chief Jenkins discussed the history of Cloverdale's emergency response to the Geysers. There has been a lot of discussion over the years. VFC companies were being funded by Geysers money. Geyserville set out to annex the Geysers. The first step was a sphere of influence to include Geysers and Knights Valley. We agreed to a 40-60 split of the tax revenue. Geyserville has received a full year of tax revenue. We need to solidify the tax share agreement. Chief Jenkins believes it should be a budgeted revenue based on what was initially agreed upon. Chief Jenkins suggests the process should be to submit a letter to NSCFPD to clarify the details of the agreement and provide the history of the Geysers. It is important to memorialize the intent of the revenue split and the history of the situation so it is a budgeted revenue item. It is also important to set up our processes retro-actively to determine how that revenue is split especially for the future boards and staff. This has been a very long process because the county used that money to pay for VFCs and it became a political issue. When Geyserville decided to annex Knights Valley, they decided to do it all at the same time and include the Geysers. The revenue split was estimated (handshake agreement) 60-40. Those funds were always meant to keep both Geyserville and Cloverdale whole so we do not have to rely on the county and to make north county self reliant from the county. We need a formal agreement to memorialize the process for the future. Director Richardson met with some land management people in the Geysers area. They will be doing a lot of new wells and expansions/improvement. Board agrees to direct the Fire Chief to draft the letter to the NSCFPD to propose the agreement to formalize the process for the Geysers tax share.

Director Taylor moved and Director Richardson seconded the motion to direct the Fire Chief to send a letter to the Northern Sonoma County Fire Protection District on behalf of the board of directors regarding the Geysers tax share agreement.

Motion carried: Aye 3 No 0 Abstain 0 Absent 2.

REPORTS:

1. President's Report –none
2. Fire Chief's Reports (including subcommittee reports for budget, apparatus, building & liaison) – Chief Jenkins reported fire prevention – we are seeing a significant amount of plans being submitted for solar and a housing development on Asti Road; Baumgardner project continuing and Bi' du Khaale with rough and final inspections. • Weed abatement program started off with a lot of non-compliant residents but ended up with only a few non compliant properties. We started the DSI inspections. Director Richardson inquired about fire prevention with new developments south of town. Chief Jenkins reported the project is in the WUI and they have to meet those qualifications. • The Dozer we purchased last month has already been used on a few incidents. We cut dozer lines for the school district property south of town and on the Tyrus property. The FEMA grant will identify some properties to use the dozer as well. • Crews have been participating in a wet hire for CalFire. The dozer operator worked on the Park Fire. Great experience. • The badge pinning for 3 engineers was well attended with families and department members. • At the Ad hoc meeting we discussed measure H and labor negotiations. We will have an agreement very soon. Once we receive a full year of measure H we will discuss pay parity. • Final budget will be presented at September meeting. We are not including measure H revenue in our final budget but may do a budget revision once we know final numbers.
3. Volunteer Report -- Volunteers are continuing classes and working shifts.

GOOD OF THE ORDER: Chief Jenkins reported regarding REDCOM-- Sonoma Valley wanted to take over dispatch. They decided to do a JPA with Santa Rosa Fire. AMR is ending in a few days. This is a very political topic. We will know more at the next REDCOM meeting. • Director

Richardson expressed appreciation for the department's service during an incident on Pine Mountain UTV accident.

CLOSED SESSION: None

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

NEXT MEETING DATE: Regular Meeting September 9, 2024 at the Cloverdale Fire Station, 451 S. Cloverdale Blvd., Cloverdale, CA

Minutes approved as written – Motion/Second: Taylor/Johnson Date: 9/9/2024

Michelle Black

Clerk of the Board

9/9/2024
Date