

**Woodside Fire Protection District
Board of Directors Meeting
Administration Building
808 Portola Rd.
Portola Valley, CA 94028
September 24, 2018**

The regular Board of Director's meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Director Cain.

Directors Present: Cain, Holthaus & Miller

County Counsel: Aimee Armsby

Staff: Chief Ghiorso, D/C Lindner, Fire Marshal Enea, B/C Slaughter, DFM Bullard, B/C Picchi, EMS B/C Silici, Public Education Officer Selena Brown.

Public Comment Non-Agendized Topics: NONE

Consent Agenda:

Items: 1, 2, 3, 4 & 6 were moved to the consent agenda.

Regular Agenda:

Item 5. The fiscal spreadsheet was discussed and unanimously approved with no abstentions.

Item 7. Aimee Armsby, WFPD County Counsel performed training on the Brown Act and how to remain in compliance with this important law.

Item 8. Chief Ghiorso reported on temporary station replacement sites. No Action was taken.

Fire Chief: Chief Ghiorso reported that he has conducted research on potential firms to assist the District on strategic planning. A summary on possible replacement manufacturers for M107 was discussed. No action taken.

Deputy Chief: None

Staff Report Questions: None

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS:

1. A letter of thanks from out of town visitors for providing a tour of fire station 7.
2. Multiple letters from residents of the Lewiston/CARR Fire thanking WFPD for sending a strike team to their wildland fire.
3. Thank you letters from recent recipients of a CPR training class.
4. A thank you from the Stanford Blood Bank for a recent WFPD blood drive.
5. A thank you to Michael Lambrechts for teaching a CPR class to the Coroner's office.
6. FEMA letter awarding WFPD a grant for exercise equipment.

Meeting was adjourned to closed session at 8:15

CLOSED SESSION: Entered closed session at 8:16pm

Re-entered Open Session: Open Session was reentered at 8:48.

Closed Session Report:

Chief provided letter to the Board regarding 4 Probationary FFs and will be transitioning all 4 FFP's from Probationary status to permanent status.

Fire Chief presented the Fire Chief Application in which there was a residency requirement of 30 minutes from District Boundary. The Fire Chief requested the Board remove the residency requirement presented in the application process (page 2, paragraph 2, sentence 2), "Establish/Maintain residency within 30 minutes from District boundary. With the current concerns in traffic and housing, the pool for the Fire Chief position could become severely impacted. Director Miller motioned to remove requirement in its entirety with a second from Director Cain. Discussion followed, and motion was approved 3-0.

Following 6 months of interim Captain testing between 5 candidates, Chief Ghiorso recommended the promotion of 3 candidates. Board was appreciative of all candidates and with no further discussion Chief Ghiorso will announce promotions.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:55.

The next scheduled meeting will be held October 29, 2018 at 7:00 P.M at the WFPD Administration Building, 808 Portola Rd. Portola Valley, CA 94028.

Respectfully Submitted,

Matt Miller, Board Secretary