

**Woodside Fire Protection District
Board of Directors Meeting
Sta.7
3111 Woodside Rd.
Woodside, Ca 94062
March 28, 2016 P.M.**

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

Directors Present: Gardner & Miller

Staff: Chief Ghiorso, Public Education Officer Brown, Fire Marshal Enea, B/C Slaughter, B/C Lindner, B/C Picchi & B/C Butler

Oral Communications Public: None

Consent Agenda:

Items: 1, 2, 3, 4, 6 were moved to the consent agenda and unanimously approved.

Regular Agenda:

Item 5: The fiscal spreadsheet was discussed and approved by the Board.

New Business: None

Command Staff Reports:

Operations Apparatus: B/C Lindner reported that the new fire engine is ready for its final inspection. A group of WFPD staff will be flying to Wisconsin to review the engine before it is shipped out to California. The fire safety initiative is still being worked on by the County and pertains to all emergency operations and the deployment of SCBAs. There was a 2nd alarm grass fire in Palo Alto and a fatal car accident in La Honda in recent days. Sick leave and workers compensation have no significant changes.

Operations Facilities: B/C Slaughter reported that the web site has been extremely active. There are 2 new Ricoh copiers at station 19 and station 7. There is a new CERPP antenna at Sta. 19. The AED's are still being serviced and renovations are being made to meet all ADA compliance.

EMS: B/C Picchi reported on the tremendous initiative shown by Paramedic Steve Silici in assisting the EMS coordinating. Michael Lambrechts, Anthony Armanino and Steve Silici continue to work diligently on the high school CPR program.

Training: B/C Butler reported that the District is working attentively through all the probation training. An interview and hiring process is underway for 5 new firefighter/paramedics. The annual wildland drill will be on April 16th and involve Alpine Hills and the Los Trancos Woods Estate area.

Fire Prevention: Fire Marshal Enea reported that construction remains very high. The chipper dates have been selected and distributed to the public. A large 30 eucalyptus tree removal in Wunderlich Park is being started and a collaboration between Cal Trans, PG&E, County Parks and WFPD.

Public Education: Selena Brown reported that a fundraiser “Pancake Breakfast” was held at the fire station for the Woodside Parents Nursery School. Kitchen Fire Safety was provided to the Priory kitchen staff. A PG&E safety class was hosted at station 19 with a good turnout. The District is receiving good feedback from social media excerpts.

Chief: Chief Ghiorso reported on the status of the fire station and the square foot restrictions that are now underplay because of not being able to acquire any neighboring property. The District is negotiating to lease an administration building in Portola Valley however the Town of Portola Valley has an ordinance restricting the square footage that can be utilized by any one business. The Foundation dinner was a great success last month. A possible testing procedure for a new EMS coordinator is being discussed if there is a rotation of B/C Picchi into the operations side of the department.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS:

1. A thank you from a resident who had a tree emergency.
2. A thank you from a resident who had a roof emergency thanked the crew who assisted her.
3. A thank you from a resident who was assisted home after her Uber ride became disabled.

CLOSED SESSION:

Meeting was adjourned to closed session at 7:49

Closed session personnel information was discussed in regards to Workers compensation claims. Deputy Chief Position was confirmed and BC Lindner will move into the position of Deputy Chief as of 7/1/2016.

Re-entered Open Session: Open Session was re-entered at 8:07

Closed Session Report:

Meeting was adjourned at 8:15

The next scheduled meeting will be held April 25th at 7:00 P.M at Fire Station #7, 3111 Woodside Rd. Woodside, CA 94062. .

Respectfully Submitted Director Gardner