

**Woodside Fire Protection District  
Board of Director's Meeting  
3111 Woodside Rd.  
June 6, 2016**

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

**Directors Present:** Gardner, Miller and Cain

**Staff:** Chief Ghiorso, B/C Slaughter, B/C Butler, FM Enea, EMS Chief Picchi, Capt. Mark Dagenais, Public Education Officer Selena Brown.

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

**Regular agenda:**

**New Business:** None

**Training:**

B/C Butler reported that probationary tests are ongoing. A training of the month theme is still in the works. The District hosted a wildland drill in April and it was well attended. Five new firefighter/paramedic hires were made last month. These new hires will enter the academy in the fall.

**Operations:** Chief Ghiorso reported for B/C Lindner that the new fire engine has arrived. We have a new workers compensation case.

**Operation IT/Facilities:**

B/C Slaughter reported that activity is high on our web sites. B/C Slaughter discussed participating in an interview panel in Sunnyvale for their promotional test. The majority of the month was spent setting up the new administrative building in Portola Valley. The station fuel tank inspections were conducted by the County. The District is working with the city of San Mateo IT department to map and gis our trails. The "Hob Nob" device for isolating the best cell signal coverage has been installed on our newest fire apparatus and is working well.

**CERPP/Public Education:**

Selena Brown reported that CERPP training has been completed. The last class graduated 11 individuals. A supplemental triage class was offered in May. The debrief for the Wildland drill had a small attendance but the information was well received. Car seat installations have been at a high volume. Selena Brown discussed a recent public education safety Colorado conference she attended.

**EMS:**

B/C Picchi reported that the high performance CPR was conducted in the monthly EMS training. The new life pack defibrillators, which are being distributed, are capable of uploading all the data from the CPR performed on the patient. The American Heart Association high school CPR program has completed its 4<sup>th</sup> year. The telemedicine project is underway and classes continue for the paramedics. The two candidates that tested for the EMS coordinator did extremely well.

#### **Fire Prevention:**

FM Enea reported that the chipper program is well underway. Trevor Borello has been working as an intern for the last 2 weeks. The collaborative fuel reduction project with Santa Clara County along Los Trancos Road is completed. The Los Trancos and Vista Verde Community Maintenance District fuel reduction and property owner fire safety incentives have been completed for this fiscal period.

#### **Chief's Report:**

Chief Ghiorso reported that his part of the County hazard mitigation plan is now complete and is at the County for approval. The District has a new worker's compensation carrier which will reduce costs. ISO is conducting a review of the District in the next couple of weeks.

#### **Written Communications:**

1. A thank you from the Diamond Camp Girl Scouts.
2. A thank you from a resident regarding a medical incident.
3. A thank you from the Volunteer Horse Patrol for teaching them CPR.
4. A thank you from a resident who stopped at the fire station for an allergic reaction to a bee sting.
5. A thank you from a Portola Valley home owner who lived near a recent structure fire.
6. A thank you from a Portola Valley resident regarding a friend who received medical attention from the District crews.
7. An award for medical recognition for Michael Lamberts.
8. A thank you letter from a Portola Valley resident for attention received during a medical emergency.
9. A letter of thanks from a Portola Valley homeowner during a structure fire.

#### **Closed Session:**

Meeting was adjourned to closed session at 8:15

#### **Closed Session Report:**

Chief Ghiorso advised the Board on 1 new workers compensation case that was a result of a vehicle accident on 280. The WFPD employee was the front vehicle in an accident in which the employee was struck from behind.

Chief Ghiorso discussed with the board the ongoing negotiations with Local 2400 members of District 9. Negotiations have been very productive in regards to identifying comparison to our neighboring

agencies. There has also been progress on negotiations in “buying down” the accrued Sick Leave prior to retirement to ease the burden on the District. Chief Giorso also discussed hires after 2016 receiving a different form of long term medical for retirees with expectations to reduce future district burdens.

Director Gardner expressed his desire to retire from the Board in the near future. There is one resident of Portola Valley that has expressed interest and is known by two of the Directors.

Closed session was adjourned to open session at 8:45.

**Open Session: Meeting adjourned at 8:50**

The next scheduled meeting will be held July 27, 2016 at 3111 Woodside Rd. Woodside, CA 94062

Respectfully Submitted,

Director Gardner