

EL DORADO HILLS COUNTY WATER DISTRICT

SIX HUNDRED NINETIETH MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Thursday, January 17, 2013

6:00 p.m.

District Office, 1050 Wilson Boulevard, El Dorado Hills, CA 95762

I. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Hidahl called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Directors in attendance: Directors Barber, Durante, Hartley, Hidahl and Winn. Staff in Attendance: Chief Roberts, Deputy Chief O'Camb and Chief Financial Officer Bair. Counsel Cook was also in attendance.

II. APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT CALENDAR

A. Approve minutes of the 689th meeting held December 6, 2012

B. Approve Financial Statements for December 2012

Director Barber made a motion to approve the consent calendar, seconded by Director Hartley and unanimously carried.

III. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

A. Presentation from Robert W. Johnson, CPA, regarding Annual Audit and other fiscal matters - Robert Johnson summarized his 2012 audit findings. He noted that the financial statements needed no audit adjustments and commented that was fairly unusual. He emphasized the importance of educating fire service leaders on financial reporting and analysis and offered to provide a training session as a value added service. He recommended producing statements converting from cash based accounting to business based accounting possibly every 6 months to allow for better business decisions.

B. EDH Professional Firefighters - None

C. EDH Firefighters Associations - None

D. Public Comments - Richard Ross, citizen, expressed concern that the Rules and Regulations were vague and asked the Board to agendaize this topic for future discussion.

IV. CORRESPONDENCE - None

V. ATTORNEY ITEMS - None

VI. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A-1. Administrative Committee (Directors Barber and Hidahl)

Review and discuss construction plans and alternatives for Station 84

A-2. Discuss Public Workshop for Station 84 to be held February 7, 2013 - Director Hidahl reported that the public will have an opportunity to review the architectural plans and provide input. Richard Ross, citizen, commented that information relative to how the issue of an inadequate angle of approach/turning radius for the apparatus has been resolved should be clearly indicated; he also expressed concern that the plans for the 3 million dollar station appeared to be luxurious.

B-1. Fire Committee (Directors Durante and Winn)
Review and discuss Capital Improvement and/or Facilities Master Plan -
No report.

C. Ad Hoc Committee Report

1. Report from the Regional Operations Committee regarding contract for services with Latrobe Fire Protection District; review memo from LAFCO regarding annexation (Directors Hartley and Barber) - Chief Roberts reviewed the Latrobe Annexation Focus Group Executive Summary which outlines the discussion points for the future. He reiterated the critical need for the Board of Supervisors to support a reasonable tax rate for Latrobe as recommended in the Citygate Report (8.5% for the first year; 10.5% for the second year; and 13% for the third year). Chief Roberts also discussed the various options for Board representation upon annexation. The Board asked about the anticipated timelines; Chief Roberts responded that they would like to initiate the annexation possibly in July with completion a few months after that.

2. Report from Ad Hoc Committee regarding the League of Fire Districts (Directors Hidahl and Hartley) - Directors Hartley and Hidahl reported that the league had a well attended meeting with new representation. Director Hidahl also commented that when realigning the Board Policy Manual, consideration should be given to making this committee a standing committee.

VII. OPERATIONS REPORT

A. Operations Report - Received and filed. Director Durante asked Chief O'Camb to provide additional details as to the type of incidents that were being responded to in the Latrobe area.

B. Review and update regarding Joint Powers Authority - Director Hartley gave an update stating that the mid-term financial report was on track in the area of cost savings. He also stated that a Folsom Medic had been in the City of Placer-ville so research was being done as to the impact of the loss of Medic 26. Chief Roberts commented that Kaiser has discontinued their contract with AMR for transfers and are relying on El Dorado County medics. Director Hartley reported that there is legislation that may allow collection of additional Medical/Medicare. He also announced that Chief Roberts has been elected the new JPA President.

- C. **Review and approve the purchase of Type 1 Wildland Urban Interface Engine**
Chief O’Camb stated that 8 bids were received and are being evaluated. The recommendation is being deferred until the next Board Meeting.

VIII. FISCAL ITEMS

A. Receive and file 2011-12 Annual Audit

Director Durante made a motion to receive and file the 2011-12 Annual Audit, seconded by Director Hartley and unanimously carried.

- B. **Review and approve amendment to the 2012-13 Final Budget to pay off Side Fund with CalPERS** - CFO Bair presented Staff’s recommendation to amend the 2012/2013 Final Budget and pay off the side fund with CalPERS on February 1, 2013 at a cost of \$659,753 which would save the District \$20,177 in interest over the next 5 months and much more over the 20 year life of the side fund.

Director Barber made a motion to approve an amendment to the 2012-13 Final Budget increasing the Budget to pay off the Side Fund with CalPERS on February 1, 2013 at a cost of \$659,753, seconded by Director Hartley and unanimously carried.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

- A. **Review and approve Resolution 2013-01, a resolution of appreciation for retired Division Chief Brad Ballenger**

Director Durante made a motion to approve a resolution of appreciation for Retired Division Chief Brad Ballenger, seconded by Director Winn and unanimously carried. (Roll Call: Ayes: All; Noes: None.)

President Hidahl asked Staff to invite retired Chief Ballenger to the next Board Meeting to receive the resolution and asked that mention be made at the upcoming February Dinner.

- B. **Reorganization of Board and Committees** – President Hidahl led the nominations for the 2013 Board positions and committee members.

Director Hartley made a motion to nominate Director Winn for President, seconded by Director Barber. President Hidahl made a motion to nominate Director Durante for President, seconded by Director Winn. Director Winn deferred her nomination to Director Durante and, therefore, Director Hartley withdrew his nomination of Director Winn and Director Barber withdrew his second. The motion to nominate Director Durante for President was unanimously carried.

President Durante presided over the meeting from this point forward.

Director Barber made a motion to nominate Director Winn for Vice President, seconded by Director Hidahl, and unanimously carried.

President Durante led the discussion for the reorganization of committee members resulting in the following representation:

Admin - Hidahl and Barber
Fire - Winn and Hidahl
JPA - Hartley and Winn
League of Fire Districts - Durante and Hartley
Ad Hoc Committees:
Regional Operations - Hartley and Barber
Human Resources - Winn and Barber
Chief Transition Committee - Durante and Hidahl

The Board also decided to continue to hold the regularly scheduled Board Meetings on the third Thursday of each month at 6:00 p.m.

X. OLD BUSINESS - None

XI. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

- A. Directors** - Directors Winn expressed her appreciation to the many volunteers who participated in the Santa Run. Director Hartley congratulated the incoming Board officers and thanked Directors Hidahl and Durante for their hard work. Director Hidahl stated that Parker Development will be entering into a public review process as they propose to develop a significant piece of property along El Dorado Hills Boulevard. President Durante thanked Director Hidahl for his service over the last year and congratulated Directors Hidahl and Hartley on their re-election to the Board.
- B. Staff** - Chief Roberts announced that many special events and activities have been planned to commemorate the Department's 50 year service anniversary including the upcoming February Dinner. He stated that the awards ceremony will take place at a later date at Station 85 to include families and friends. He reported that the HR position has been reduced to one day per week. He also stated each of the Strategic Plan Initiative leads will be giving a progress report.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

Director Hartley motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Director Barber and unanimously carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:11 p.m.

Approved:

Connie Bair, Board Secretary

Gregory Durante, President