

# EL DORADO HILLS COUNTY WATER DISTRICT

## SIX HUNDRED NINETY NINTH MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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Thursday, October 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 Durante called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and Chief Roberts led the Pledge of Allegiance. Directors in attendance: 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.

President Durante requested that with Board concurrence, Closed Session Items VI-.A, VII-C.4, VII-C.5 and Items VII-C.6 and VIIC.7 be moved on the agenda following the Operations Report; the Board concurred.

### II. Special Presentation – Chief Roberts recognized the Lakehills Firesafe Council with a Firewise Communities Award plaque for their dedicated efforts in not only establishing the Lakehills Firesafe Council but also for earning the distinguished achievement of “firewise” status in just a little over a year from formation.

### III. CONSENT CALENDAR

#### A. Approve minutes of the 698th meeting held September 19, 2013

#### B. Approve Financial Statements for September 2013

*Director Hidahl made a motion to approve the Consent Calendar, seconded by Director Barber and unanimously carried.*

### IV. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

A. **EDH Professional Firefighters** – Matt Beckett, President of the Professional Firefighters, stated that the Honor Guard will be supporting the Lake Valley Fire Department in their efforts to honor their recent loss of Firefighter Mitch Underhill.

B. **EDH Firefighters Association** – Jeff Genovese, President of the EDH Firefighters Association gave an update.

C. **Public Comments** – None

**V. CORRESPONDENCE – None**

**VI. ATTORNEY ITEMS – (Moved on the agenda to follow Operations Report)**

**VII. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**A. Administrative Committee (Directors Barber and Hidahl)**

- 1. Review and update on construction progress of Station 84** – Chief O’Camb stated that a committee meeting needs to be scheduled to review the plans with the architect as well set direction for the management of the project after his retirement in December. He also stated that the Request for Proposal process is on hold until the County has given their final approval for construction to begin. Director Hidahl added that it may be time to begin planning the solar power system and Chief O’Camb commented that Engineer Cowles is beginning work in this area.

**B. Fire Committee (Directors Durante and Winn)**

- 1. Review and discuss Capital Improvement and/or Facilities Master Plan** – Director Durante stated that was nothing to report.
- 2. Public Hearing: Review and approve Resolution 2013-09 approving Five Year Plan with associated Development Fee - CFO Bair** Director stated that the Five Year Plan was the same as presented at last month’s Board Meeting but was being presented in final form and required a Resolution. President Durante asked for Public Comment; there was none.

Director Hidahl made a motion to approve Resolution 2013-09 approving the Five Year Plan with associated Development Fee, seconded by Director Winn and unanimously carried. (Roll Call: Ayes: All; Noes: None.)

**C. Ad Hoc Committee Reports**

- 1. Report from the Regional Operations Committee regarding annexation of Latrobe, Rescue and Diamond Springs/El Dorado Protection District - (Directors Hartley and Barber)** – Director Hartley updated the Board on the recent turn of events relating to the Latrobe annexation efforts. He stated that the Latrobe Fire Board open discussions with Sac Metro Fire District.

Chief Roberts reviewed some of the changes to the “White Pages” that Latrobe Fire Department said that they would absolutely need in order to consider annexation. Discussion was held as to how the Board would like to proceed and it was decided to not make any changes to the White Paper at this point. Staff and the committee will attend the Latrobe Board meeting to answer questions and clarify confusing issues on the original approved “White Pages.”

President Durante stated that he disapproves of the “White Pages” and has since the inception because he does not have the information that he has asked for to make a good financial decision as to how expanding services to Latrobe serves the community of El Dorado Hills as it stands today.

Richard Ross, resident, agreed with President Durante, stating that he does not feel that the “White Pages” identifies the benefit of annexation to the El Dorado Hills taxpayer with appropriate financial information.

2. **Commission for Collaborative Fire Departments (CCFD formerly League of Fire Districts)** (Directors Hartley and Hidahl) – Director Hidahl stated that the meeting had been cancelled. Chief Roberts said that a committee meeting had taken place to start the process of the contracts and triggers for those District’s that will be receiving temporary financial aid to those faltering Districts. These monies are anticipated to be distributed by the end of December, early January timeframe.
3. **Report from Human Resources Committee** (Directors Durante and Winn) – President Durante reported that the committee had not met but will meet soon.

## **VII. OPERATIONS REPORT**

### **A. Operations Report** - Received and filed.

**B. Review and update regarding Joint Powers Authority** – Chief Roberts reported that a brief meeting was held. He does not anticipate any progress being made on the Request for Information submittals with the current Board. He also stated that the JPA had a \$600,000 loss when the Red Hawk Casino did not renew their contract and chose to contract with a private company, Sac Valley Ambulance. The EMSA acted appropriately asking Sac Valley Ambulance for their qualifications to ensure a list of requirements were being satisfied (such as radio communications, etc.) for operating within El Dorado County. These requirements were not being met; therefore, the ambulance company has withdrawn temporarily while they work through these requirements. The casino has re-established their previous contract with the JPA until the end of December.

- C. Review and approve purchase of Buddy Breather Manifolds from L. N. Curtis and Sons** – Chief Lilienthal discussed the need for the Department’s recently purchased SCBA’s to be outfitted with a “buddy breather” attachment that would allow for interconnection in an emergency. This safety feature was approved in the 2013/2014 Final Budget at a cost of \$24, 445.50.

*Director Hidahl made a motion to approve purchase of Buddy Breather Manifolds in the amount of \$24, 445.50, seconded by Director Winn and unanimously carried.*

- D. Review and approve Resolution 2013-10 in appreciation of Retired Firefighter/ Paramedic Josh Couch** – Chief Roberts asked for Board approval of Resolution 2013-10 in appreciation of retired Firefighter/Paramedic Josh Couch for his many contributions to the District and Community during his career.

*Director Hartley made a motion to approve Resolution 2013-10 in appreciation of Retired Firefighter/Paramedic Josh Couch, seconded by Director Barber and unanimously carried. (Roll Call: Ayes: All; Noes: None.)*

The meeting adjourned to Closed Session at 7:15 p.m. to discuss the following:

- VI. ATTORNEY ITEMS (Taken out of sequence)**
- A. Closed Session: Pursuant to California Government Code Section 54957(b); Personnel Matter – Grievance; One Matter.
- VII. COMMITTEE REPORTS (Taken out of sequence)**
- C. **Ad Hoc Committee Reports**
4. Closed Session: Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957; Public Employee Performance Evaluation; Position: Fire Chief.
5. Closed Session: Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957 and 54957.6, review and discuss El Dorado Hills Associated Firefighters and Administrative wage and benefit negotiations; Conference with Negotiating Committee (Directors Hidahl and Winn).

The meeting reconvened at 9:26 p.m. President Durante reported that during Closed Session, no action was taken on Items VI-A and VII-C.4.

**6. Report from Ad Hoc Budget and Negotiations** (Directors Hidahl and Winn) - Director Hidahl reported that the Ad Hoc Budget and Negotiations Committee met with the B.A.N.C. group which resulted in some changes to the Memorandum of Understanding which has been approved by a vote from the Professional Firefighters.

**7. Review and approve Memorandum of Understanding with EDH Associated Firefighters and other non-represented groups**

*Director Hidahl made a motion to approve the Memorandum of Understanding with the El Dorado Hills Professional Firefighters, seconded by Director Winn and unanimously carried.*

*Director Hidahl made a second motion to approve the Memorandum of Understanding with the El Dorado Hills Professional Firefighters retroactively to October 1, 2013, seconded by Director Winn and unanimously carried.*

*Director Hidahl moved to approve the wage and benefit changes as discussed with other El Dorado Hills Fire Department non-represented groups retroactively to October 1, 2013, seconded by Director Winn and unanimously carried.*

**IX. FISCAL ITEMS** – None

**X. NEW BUSINESS** – None

**XI. OLD BUSINESS** – None

**XII. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

**A. Directors** – Director Hidahl asked if there were any more events planned for the remainder of the year to commemorate the Department's 50 Year Anniversary; Captain Mark Ali responded that an Open House event is being planned for November 8 from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. at Stations 85, 86 and 87 (Station 84 will not be participating due to construction). He added that this year's Santa Run will also celebrate the 50<sup>th</sup> Year Anniversary and will be held December 17 - 21, 2013.

Director Durante stated that the December Board Meeting will need to be rescheduled, possibly to December 12, 2013, due to the Santa Run being held the week of the regularly scheduled Board Meeting.

- B. Staff** – Chief Roberts announced that the Smoke Detector/Carbon Monoxide Detector Give-Away held in partnership with the Rotary Club and with the help of students from Oak Ridge High School’s Interact Club will be held on October 26 and will be serving the Four Seasons senior community.

**XIII. ADJOURNMENT**

*Director Barber made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Director Hartley, and unanimously carried.*

The meeting adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

Approved:

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Connie Bair, Board Secretary

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Greg C. Durante, President