

APPLE VALLEY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

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MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING BOARD OF DIRECTORS

August 21, 2018

1.0 CALL TO ORDER: President Leary 6:02 PM

2.0 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Director Karen

3.0 ROLL CALL:

Present: Vice President Jeffs, Director Karen, President Leary, Director Tinsley

Absent: Director Savage

4.0 SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS/PRESENTATIONS:

.01 Employee of the Quarter – Third Quarter. Chief Gigliotti called Firefighter/Paramedic David Martinez forward to receive the Employee of the Quarter, Third Quarter award. The Fire Chief briefed that FF/PM Martinez was hired in July of 2017 as one of the Fire District's "Measure A hires" and had recently completed his probationary year. He added that David had been nominated for the Employee of the Quarter award by more than one person for his commitment to the District's Health and Wellness program. He specifically pointed out David's monthly workout programs, commitment to helping his co-workers live a healthy lifestyle and that David is a great promoter of the fact that as healthier employees we are better able to serve our community.

.02 Badge Pinning of Fire Chief. President Leary asked the Board members to join him at the podium and noted it was a pleasure to present Fire Chief Gigliotti with his Apple Valley Fire District badge. President Leary then called Chief Gigliotti's wife Deborah to the front to perform the badge pinning.

.03 Fire Chief Certification. President Leary noted that the presenter for the next agenda item was delayed and requested the Board move forward on the agenda. By consensus the Board agreed to do so and returned to this item when State Fire Marshal Chief Dennis Mathisen had arrived at the meeting. The ceremony below took place later in the meeting as noted in the minutes.

Fire Chief Gigliotti came forward as State Fire Marshal Mathisen noted that he appreciated the opportunity to be at the Board Meeting. He stated that this type of presentation to recognize individuals in the Fire Service for their accomplishments is one of the activities he enjoys most as State Fire Marshal. He went on to say that he is honored to have this opportunity to acknowledge Fire Chief Gigliotti as California's 38th Certified Fire Chief. Chief Mathisen briefed that this program has been in effect since the mid 1990's and there are only 38 individuals who have received this certification so it is quite an accomplishment. He added that this certification requires a rigorous assessment of proficiencies in all areas of the Fire Service along with a lengthy and thorough interview panel consisting of Fire Service community leaders. He then presented Chief Gigliotti with the California State Fire Chief certificate and special collar brass.

5.0 PUBLIC COMMENT:

President Leary noted that there was one public comment and called Mr. John Meier forward to present his comments.

Mr. Meier thanked the Board for their time and presented them with some pictures to go along with his comments. The pictures have been added as attachments to these minutes. He started by

informing the Board that he has been a resident in the High Desert since 2008, an Apple Valley resident since 2012 and is also a combat veteran. He went on to address his safety concerns at Civic Center Park in Apple Valley noting that he had already spoken with the Town Manager Mr. Robertson and the Apple Valley Parks and Recreation Department with no success to date. Mr. Meier pointed out the areas in his pictures where a fire hydrant is present but no red curbing or "no parking" signage is posted observing how this causes a safety problem in an emergency situation. He requested that the Board take a proactive approach in this matter, conduct an inspection of the curbing in the two roundabouts at the Civic Center Park and find a resolution.

6.0 DIRECTORS' RESPONSE TO PUBLIC COMMENT:

President Leary thanked Mr. Meier for his comments and stated that the Fire District would look into the jurisdiction of the issue. He added that the District has a great crew and that they would ask the right questions and get an answer for him.

7.0 CONSENT AGENDA: President Leary asked if there were any questions regarding the Consent Agenda. He then noted that there was a discrepancy in the reimbursement of salaries that he has asked Finance Officer Milson to look into. Finance Officer Milson will make the adjustment needed for the next Board Meeting Fiscal Report. There were no further questions or discussion.

M/S Tinsley/Karen to accept the Consent Agenda as presented.
Directors Jeffs, Karen, Leary, and Tinsley voted aye.
Ayes: 4 Noes: 0 Abstain: 0 Absent: 1

8.0 APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

.01 Minutes of Regular Meeting July 17, 2018.

M/S Jeffs/Karen to approve minutes of the regular meeting of July 17, 2018.
Directors Jeffs, Karen and Leary voted aye. Director Tinsley abstained as he was not present at the July 17, 2018 meeting.
Ayes: 3 Noes: 0 Abstain: 1 Absent: 1

9.0 CORRESPONDENCE: President Leary commented that the District had received several items of correspondence but wanted to specifically mention the letter from Redding, CA. He added that he is very proud of how District employees relate not only to the Community of Apple Valley but the conduct and class the crews have shown while they have been out on Strike Teams. He commented that this fire season has already been a busy year with the Mendocino, Cranston and Carr fires, to name a few, adding his thanks for all the crews do and that the way they treat people with respect is appreciated by everyone.

10.0 INFORMATION & DISCUSSION ITEMS:

.01 Information Only Items:
a) Disposition of Surplus. No discussion.

.02 Discussion Items: None.

11.0 BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS:

.01 Budget & Finance Committee (President Leary & Vice President Jeffs). President Leary stated that the Finance Committee did not have a report for this Board Meeting.

12.0 APPROVAL OF REPORTS: None.

13.0 PUBLIC HEARINGS: None.

14.0 ACTION ITEMS:

- .01 Declaration of Surplus – Printers, Copiers, Fax Machines, Phones and Ink. President Leary asked for any questions or comments regarding the declaration of surplus. M/S Tinsley/Karen to approve declaration of surplus list of used printers and used phone system as presented. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote of Board members present.
Ayes: 4 Noes: 0 Abstain: 0 Absent: 1
- .02 Closure of Bank of America Credit Card Accounts. President Leary asked for questions or comments. M/S Tinsley/Jefferies to approve closure of the Bank of America credit card accounts as presented. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote of Board members present.
Ayes: 4 Noes: 0 Abstain: 0 Absent: 1
- .03 Resolution 18-006 - Resolution instructing the County Auditor/Controller to levy fire hazard abatement fees on certain properties. President Leary read the agenda item and called for questions or discussion on the Resolution. President Leary called for a motion regarding Resolution 18-006. M/S Tinsley/Karen to approve Resolution 18-006 as presented. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote of Board members present.
Ayes: 4 Noes: 0 Abstain: 0 Absent: 1

15.0 STAFF COMMENTS: None.

16.0 DIRECTORS' COMMENTS:

- .01 Director Karen:
 - a. Observed how nice it is to see a Measure A hire already receiving an Employee of the Quarter award adding his congratulations to David Martinez.
 - b. Remarked to Fire Chief Gigliotti that it is good to see him receive his badge and to see that his family is here with him now.
- .02 Director Tinsley:
 - a. Reflected on the quality of people we have working at the Fire District and that it is always great to hear of the accolades received for their great work.
- .03 Vice President Jeffers:
 - a. Congratulated David Martinez on his Employee of the Quarter award.
 - b. Thanked John Meier for coming in with his concern noting that the Board and the Fire District will take his concerns seriously.
 - c. Welcomed Finance Officer Mark Shaker adding that he was on Mark's interview panel and he was excited to work with him.
 - d. Thanked Finance Officer Milson for all her work.

At this time in the Board Meeting President Leary noted that State Fire Marshal Chief Dennis Mathisen had arrived and that he would like to introduce him and give him the floor to make his presentation. Please see Section 4.0 Special Announcements/Presentation item number .03 for the presentation minutes.

- .04 President Leary:
 - a. Congratulated Chief Gigliotti on his State Fire Chief certification.

- b. Mentioned once more how thankful he is for our crews out on Strike Teams adding that this will be a rough fire season.

17.0 CLOSED SESSION: President Leary announced the closed session agenda item and requested a motion to go to closed session.

- .01 Conference regarding Labor Negotiations (Government Code Section §54957.6 (a))
Agency Designated Representative: Fire Chief Lorenzo Gigliotti
Employee Groups: Professional Firefighters Association, Admin & Fleet Services, Community Risk Reduction Division, Battalion Chiefs, and Executive Staff.

M/S/P Tinsley/Karen to adjourn to closed session at 6:26 PM.

The Board returned into Open Session at 7:48 PM.

18.0 REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION:


- .01 President Leary reported the Board had given further instruction to the Fire Chief on the labor negotiations stating the Board was hopeful the contract could be finalized soon.

19.0 FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

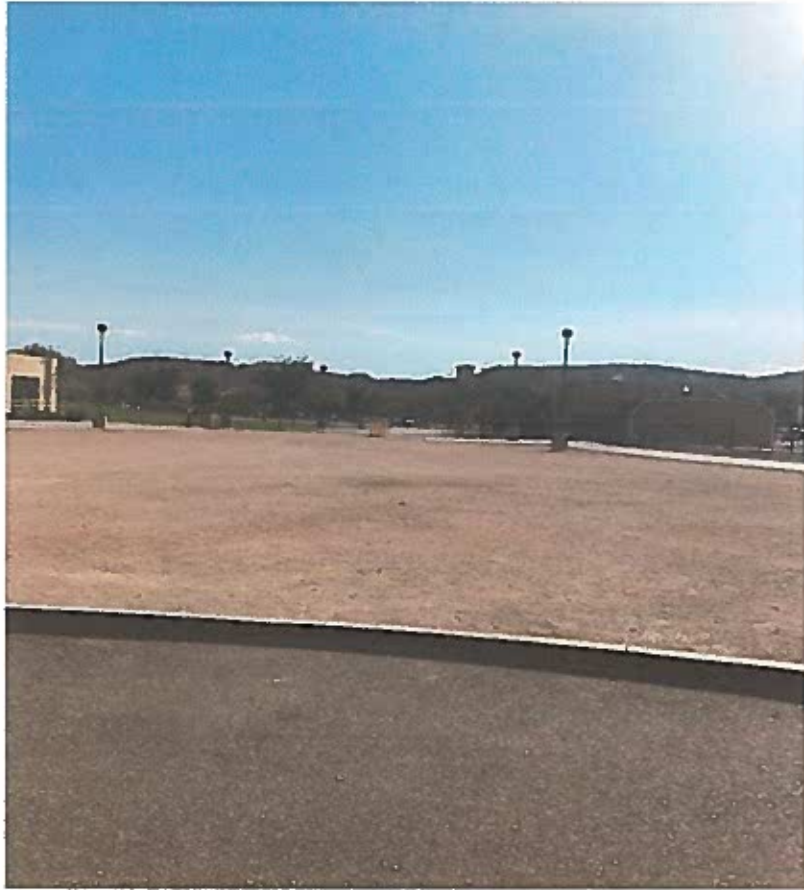
- .01 President Leary asked that an agenda item regarding "Districting" be added to a future meeting once Director Karen has researched and put together a package/study for the Board to review. Director Karen will let Staff know when he is ready for the item to be added as an agenda matter.

20.0 ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 PM M/S/P Tinsley/Karen.

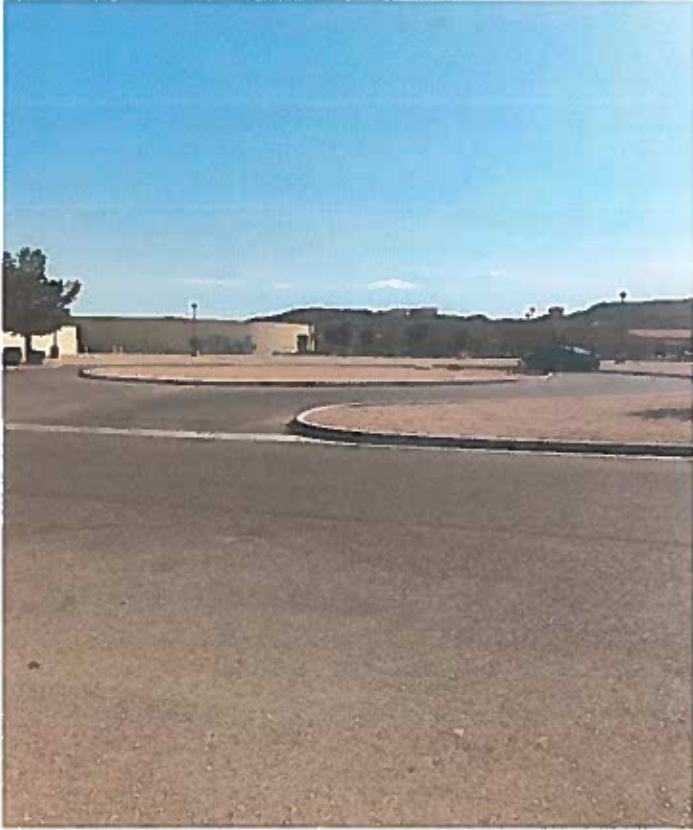
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KIMBERLY LOPEZ
Recording Secretary

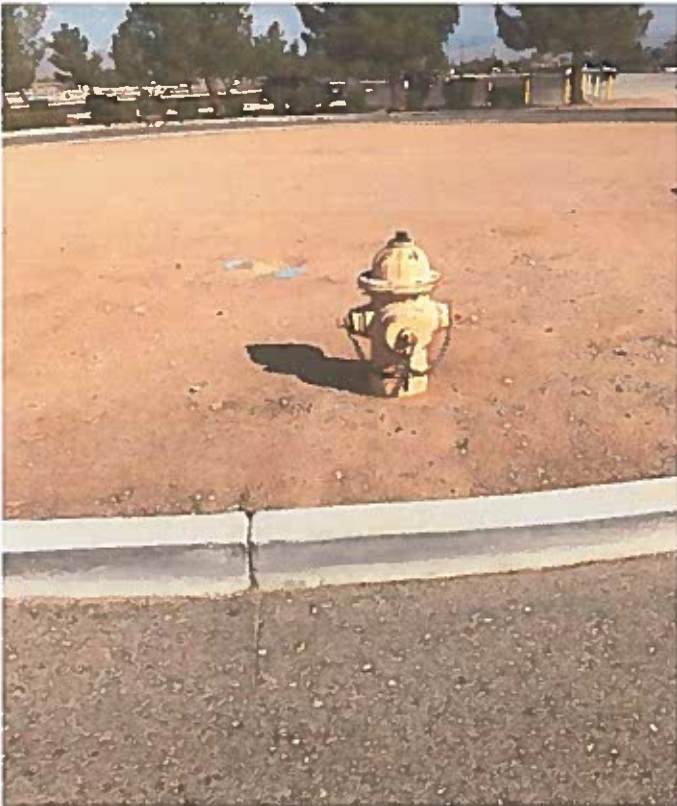

DANIEL J. LEARY
President



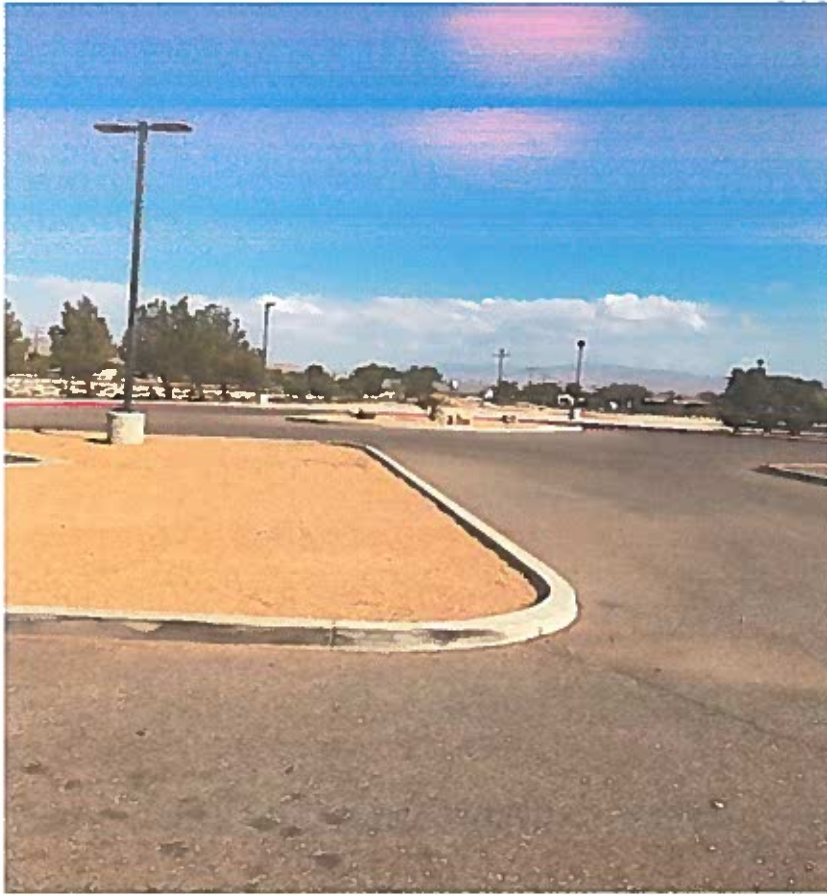
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Aquatic Center Round About

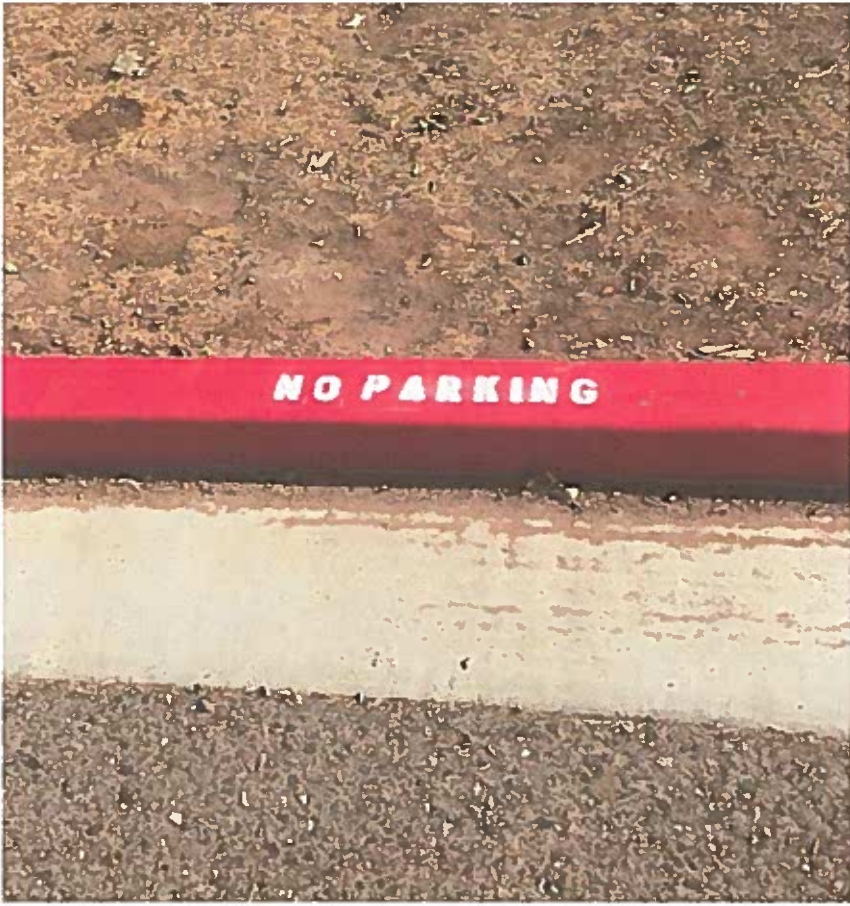


Fire Hydrant at Aquatic Center Round About



Dog Park Round About





Red Curb at Dog Park Round About