

APPLE VALLEY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

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MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING BOARD OF DIRECTORS

December 17, 2019

- 1.0 CALL TO ORDER: President Leary 6:03 PM.
- 2.0 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Director Karen
- 3.0 ROLL CALL:
Present: Director Conley, Director Karen, Director Kuhn, President Leary, Vice President Savage
Absent: None.
- 4.0 SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS/PRESENTATIONS:
 - .01 New Employee Introduction. Fire Chief Gigliotti called Jessica Watterson forward introducing her to the Board as the recently hired Part-Time clerk in Fleet Services.
 - .02 Promoted Employee Badge Pinning. The Fire Chief introduced each of the employees individually adding some career information and announced the person doing their badge pinning.
 - a. Fire Inspector I Gerry Longnecker was pinned by his wife Gina Longnecker.
 - b. Captain Mark Milson was pinned by his dad Rick Milson.
 - .03 Retirement Proclamations. Chief Gigliotti called Captain Darrell Herington and Administrative Services Manager Rosie Garrison forward individually and invited President Leary to the front to present them with Proclamations. President Leary made note of both employee's upcoming retirements then presented and read into record each Proclamation. A brief photo presentation was displayed after Captain Herington's Proclamation showcasing some memorable moments from his 31 years with the Fire District.

Captain Herington and ASM Garrison addressed the assembly after accepting their Proclamations thanking the individuals and family members who had impacted their careers and lives during their service to the Fire District.
 - .04 In succession Chief Gigliotti called the following individuals forward and presented them with their service awards noting their years of service with the District:
 - (1) Secretary I Danelle Fletcher was not able to attend the meeting however, the Fire Chief noted that she was receiving a five-year service pin.
 - (2) Captain Craig Malloy received a twenty-year service pin.
 - (3) Captain Carlos Marino received a 30-year service ring. Chief Gigliotti noted Captain Marino's dedication to the Tech Rescue Program and congratulated him on the accomplishment of 30-years of service.
 - (4) Captain John Watterson received a 30-year service ring. The Fire Chief commented on Captain Watterson's leadership over 30 years and his involvement in the Firefighter Stairclimb event adding congratulations on his 30-years of service.
 - .05 Employee of the Year. Chief Gigliotti called Secretary II Kim Lopez forward to receive the award explaining that the District employees vote for Employee of the Year from that year's Employee of the Quarter (EOQ) awardees and noting highlights from Ms. Lopez's EOQ award.

5.0 PUBLIC COMMENT:

- .01 Captain Shane Simpson came forward noting that he would be presenting some items on behalf of the PFA. He asked Captain Herington to return to the front and presented him with a traditional presentation helmet remarking on Darrell's long career and impact he has had on the Fire District. He then asked ASM Garrison to return to the front presenting her with a plaque noting his thanks for her support and hard work throughout her career at the Fire District. He concluded by congratulating both Darrell and Rosie on their retirements and added his congratulations to the promoted employees and service pin/ring recipients.

President Leary called a short break at 6:43 PM to allow for pictures and family members to congratulate employees. The meeting resumed at 6:48 PM.

- .02 Mr. John Meier came forward to give the Board an update on the safety concerns at Civic Center Park of which he had spoken about at a previous Fire District Board Meeting during public comments. He briefed that there had been several meetings regarding the red emergency curbing and handicapped parking and that slow progress was being made.

6.0 DIRECTORS' RESPONSE TO PUBLIC COMMENT: President Leary thanked Mr. Meier for his update and comments.

7.0 CONSENT AGENDA: President Leary asked for questions or comments on the Consent Agenda Items. There was some discussion between Board members and Staff about mutual aid numbers on the Operations report between the Fire District and Victorville Fire and the progress of a mutual aid agreement between San Bernardino County Fire and Victorville Fire. Chief Gigliotti gave some updated information on both subjects noting he would keep the Board apprised on the mutual aid agreement between County Fire and Victorville now that County Fire had hired their new Fire Chief.

M/S Karen/Savage to accept the Consent Agenda as presented.

Directors Conley, Karen, Kuhn, Leary and Savage voted aye by voice vote.

Ayes: 5 Noes: 0 Abstain: 0 Absent: 0

8.0 APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- .01 Minutes of Regular Meeting November 19, 2019. President Leary asked if there were any questions about the minutes. He noted that the minutes describing the approval of the regular Board Meeting on October 15, 2019 had been erroneously called "amended minutes". The Board Clerk made note and the correction was made. There was no further discussion.

M/S Kuhn/Conley to approve minutes of the November 19, 2019 regular board meeting.

Directors Conley, Karen, Kuhn, Leary and Savage voted aye by voice vote.

Ayes: 5 Noes: 0 Abstain: 0 Absent: 0

9.0 CORRESPONDENCE: President Leary stated there were several thank you notes from the District's mutual aid response to fires in Northern California and referred to a letter from an Apple Valley resident which described the Apple Valley Firefighters who responded to her home as being professional and knowledgeable.

10.0 INFORMATION & DISCUSSION ITEMS:

.01 Information Items:

(a) Disposition of Surplus Items. No comments or discussion.

(b) 2020 CSDA Special Districts Leadership Academy. No comments or discussion.

(c) Legislative Watch. No comments or discussion.

.02 Discussion Items:

- (a) City of Victorville Fleet Services Update. Chief Gigliotti briefed he had received information that the check for the remaining services performed by Apple Valley Fire Fleet Services had been mailed.

11.0 BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- .01 President Leary briefed that the Finance Committee met to discuss the finance report. He added that he and Chief Gigliotti had attended the first ConFire Board Meeting and they were both pleased with the direction everything was going.

12.0 APPROVAL OF REPORTS: None.

13.0 PUBLIC HEARINGS:

- .01 Ordinance 57 Adopting the 2019 California Fire Code with amendments is presented for the Board's consideration for introduction and adoption.

M/S Kuhn/Savage to open Public Hearing at 7:00 PM. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote of the Board.

President Leary asked for any questions or comments from the audience or Board members. There were no questions or comments.

M/S Kuhn/Savage move to close the Public Hearing at 7:01 PM. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote of the Board.

M/S Savage/Karen to read Ordinance 57 aloud by title. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote of the Board.

Ordinance 57 read aloud by title by Board Clerk.

M/S Savage/Karen to adopt Ordinance 57. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote of the Board.

14.0 ACTION ITEMS:

- .01 Proposed Wage Schedule. President Leary asked if there were any questions or comments on the presented Wage Schedule. There was no further discussion.

M/S Conley/Savage to approve and adopt the Proposed Wage Schedule in compliance with increase in State minimum wage

Directors Conley, Karen, Kuhn, Leary and Savage voted aye by roll call vote.

Ayes: 5 Noes: 0 Abstain: 0 Absent: 0

15.0 STAFF COMMENTS:

- .01 Fire Chief Gigliotti:
 - a. Thanked the Board and Staff for their well wishes and support while his Dad has been hospitalized adding that his condition had improved.

16.0 DIRECTORS' COMMENTS:

- .01 Director Kuhn:
 - a. Said how happy she was to hear the Chief's Dad had improved.

- b. Noted how refreshing it was to see retired Apple Valley Fire employees at the Board meeting to support current employees specifically Rick Milson pinning Mark Milson's badge.
- c. Congratulated Captain Marino and Captain Watterson on 30 years of service and both Captain Herington and ASM Garrison on their retirements adding that the Fire District had "done a good job" with molding Darrell.
- d. Emphasized that Apple Valley Fire is a family; highlighting that the employee level of support, knowledge, continued learning, sacrifice and dedication of their lives means a lot to the citizens of Apple Valley adding "you are appreciated".
- e. Commented that she is happy to be here to represent the Fire District and the citizens of Apple Valley.
- f. Wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

.02 Director Karen:

- a. Welcomed Jessica Watterson.
- b. Congratulated Mark Milson and Gerry Longnecker.
- c. Wished good luck to both Rosie and Darrell.
- d. Congratulated Secretary I Fletcher, Captain Malloy, Captain Watterson and Captain Marino on their service awards.
- e. Congratulated Kim Lopez on Employee of the Year.
- f. Thanked Shane and the PFA for the Christmas Party invite adding that he is looking forward to next year already.

.03 Director Conley:

- a. Offered his best wished to Chief Gigliotti for the recovery of his father.
- b. Congratulated all employees who had been recognized at the meeting.

.04 Vice President Savage:

- a. Congratulated Kim on the Employee of the Year award.
- b. Echoed the sentiments of the other Board members.
- c. Added his congratulations to all promoted, retiring and service award recipients.
- d. Told the Fire Chief that his prayers are with him and his family.
- e. Remarked that he is looking forward to the New Year and good things to come.

.05 President Leary:

- a. Echoed the thoughts and congratulations of the other Board members adding to the Chief that he hopes everything goes well and that his Dad has a quick recovery.
- b. Congratulated Kim on Employee of the Year.
- c. Observed that it had been a great meeting to see all the recognition for District employee accomplishments.


17.0 CLOSED SESSION: None


18.0 REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION: None.

19.0 FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS: None.

20.0 ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 7:09 PM M/S/P Kuhn/Karen

ATTEST:


KIMBERLY LOPEZ
Recording Secretary


DANIEL J. LEARY
Board President