EL DORADO COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BOARD MEETING

March 17, 2022

12:00 Closed Session 1:00 P.M. Open Session

Fire Chief, Tim Cordero

12:00 P.M. OPEN SESSION

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Any person wishing to address the Board on any item on the closed session portion of the agenda may do so at this time.

No Public Comment

12:05 P.M. CLOSED SESSION

A. Conference With Labor Negotiators

Agency Designated Representative: Fire Chief Employee Organization: Local 3556, IAFF

1:00 P.M. OPEN SESSION

1. <u>CALL TO ORDER:</u>

Director Swarbrick called the meeting to order at 1:08 P.M.

2. ROLL CALL:

Present: Swarbrick, Kaiserman, Brunton, Harper, Gilchrest

Absent: None

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

4. **APPROVE AGENDA:**

It was moved by Director Gilchrest and seconded by Director Kaiserman to approve the agenda as presented. The motion was passed by the following vote:

Ayes: Swarbrick, Kaiserman, Brunton, Harper, Gilchrest

Noes: None Absent: None

5. <u>CONSENT CALENDAR:</u>

(All items approved on a single vote except those pulled for individual discussion and action).

A. Minutes: February 17, 2022, Board Meeting

B. Claim Payments/Deposits:

<u>District Claims</u>: <u>District Deposits</u>:

\$12,707.75 \$387.19 \$68,405.29

\$3,685.91

\$1,788.86

\$83,201.08

\$19,685.51

\$800.00

\$235.64

\$2,062.41

\$37,934.52

\$125,895.28

It was moved by Director Kaiserman and seconded by Director Harper to approve the Consent Calendar with the minutes pulled. The motion was passed by the following vote:

Ayes: Swarbrick, Kaiserman, Brunton, Harper, Gilchrest

Noes: None Absent: None

6. PUBLIC COMMENT:

(Any person wishing to address the Board on any item that is not on the agenda may do so at this time. Public comments are limited to five minutes per person).

No Public Comment

7. REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION:

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Director Swarbrick stated that it was approved for the negotiations team (HR Committee) to meet with district negotiator and staff to start negotiations with Local 3556.

8. <u>DEPARTMENTAL MATTERS:</u>

- A. Recognition to the Gilmore Foundation
- B. Administrative Board of Director Division Boundaries

It was moved by Director Kaiserman and seconded by Director Harper to proceed forward with Board of Director Division Boundaries – Option 2 Map. The motion was passed by the following vote:

Ayes: Swarbrick, Kaiserman, Brunton, Harper, Gilchrest

Noes: None Abstain: None Absent: None

C. **Operational** – Placerville Fire Safe Council Fire Safety Event

Chief Cordero provided a description of the event.

D. **Operational** – T.O.T. Funding

Chief Cordero provided an update on T.O.T Funding.

9. **BOARD MATTERS:**

A. Website

Board Member Bio and Information

10. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Standing Committees:

A. Strategic Planning

No Report – Next meeting is taking place on March 31, 2022.

B. Budget and Finance (Kaiserman, Gilchrest)

Director Kaiserman provided a summary of the Budget and Finance Committee Meeting that took place on February 15, 2022

C. Communications & Outreach (Brunton, Gilchrest)

No Report

Ad-hoc Committees:

A. Facilities and Equipment (Brunton, Kaiserman)

No Report

B. Human Resources (Swarbrick, Harper)

Director Swarbrick stated he as well as Director Gilchrest attended the last Union Meeting.

11. CORRESPONDENCE AND COMMUNICATION:

- Fire Engine Response Statistics.
- Medic Unit Response Statistics.

12. FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT:

• JPA:

- The contract committee continues to meet with the County, our last meeting had to be canceled, however progress is being made.
- The JPA Board took action to change the IFT's currently being handled by our system. The changes will be taking place on April 1, 2022.
- The JPA established a staffing ad hoc committee, Chief Dutch and I are both in the group to look at alternative staffing models for the medic units.

American Rescue Plan Act:

• We are finalizing some numbers for our request of ARPA funds. Our request should be submitted to the CAO's office within the next week. Our allocation is \$133,635.00, requests are for uniform replacement for personnel, wildland jackets and work coats.

• TOT Funds:

• The County reached out to the fire districts for requests for funds associated with tourism, similar to last year. Our district will be submitting for cost reimbursement for tourism related calls, a replacement tow vehicle for the UTV at Station 72 and swift water rescue equipment. There is also a joint request going in for additional equipment to outfit the UTV's provided to 4 agencies from Homeland Security Grant funds.

• Hiring Update:

• Our new group of firefighters are online, they were sworn in on March 4th. Captain Adams is remaining on a temporary 40-hour schedule to facilitate training needs for the district and new hires.

City of Placerville

- Continue to work with City staff, attending staff meetings and City Council.
- I participated in the City's "second Saturday of service" this past Saturday, performing clean up at the police departments range. Next month's project will be painting the electrical boxes along Main St and Broadway.
- The special City Council / Fire Board meeting is going to be postponed. The group met with Dewberry Consulting on Wednesday and need to make some additional changes to the report. Future date TBD.
- We will be participating in the Placerville FSC public safety / fire safety event on March 19th, along with multiple agencies.

• District information

- Staff attended the recent celebration of life for Retired Chief Corado, Chief Corado worked as a retired annuitant for Diamond Springs Prevention Bureau and most recently as the interim director for the JPA.
- We have submitted our final admin costs to OES for reimbursement of the Caldor Fire. Our allowable administrative costs were \$2,580.
- The new Zoll cardiac monitors are on all the engines. Captain Poganski completed
 a press release which was pushed on our social media platforms and the district
 web site.
- Staff met with DTA regarding the first responder fee, which is nearing completion and should be brought to the Board for approval within the next couple of months.
- The "Draft" MSR's for the fire districts is up on the LAFCO website. Our district submitted a list of requests for changes in the documents last fall, some concerns still exist which be submitted to the LAFCO Executive Officer.
- The EDSO Thrive "Back the Badge" took place on March 12th at the County Fairgrounds. Ladder 26 and Truck 49 coordinated placing the American Flag over the entrance.
- Staff is working on the potential purchase of 3 new Type 1 engines. Pierce Mfg. has announced a 7% increase taking effect on April 29th. We did discuss the item from a broad view at the Finance Committee meeting on the 15th. Staff will plan on bringing a formal proposal to the Board to consider in April.

13. **BOARD COMMENTS:**

Brunton: No Comment

Swarbrick: No Comment

Kaiserman: No Comment

Harper: No Comment

Gilchrest: Director Gilchrest stated he is having an Irish Celebration at his house and have

invited Station 28 to attend.

14. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

Next regularly scheduled Special Board Meeting April 21, 2022

Dialog about Explore and ROP Programs

15. <u>ADJOURNMENT:</u> At 1:56 P.M. it was moved by Director Gilchrest and seconded by Director Kaiserman to adjourn; all in