



Meeks Bay Fire Protection District

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

Edward I. Miller

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Louie Fielding

Bob Millslagle

**Board of Directors Meeting
Wednesday, May 17, 2023 ❖ 3:30 p.m.**

Minutes

Directors Present: Director Fielding, President Miller, and Director Millslagle a quorum is established.

1. Call to Order

The meeting of the Meeks Bay Fire Protection District Board of Directors for the month of May was called to order at 3:34 p.m. by President Miller.

2. Additions to Agenda/Approval of Agenda

There were no additions or changes to the agenda. There was no public comment.

It was moved by Director Fielding and seconded by Director Millslagle to approve the agenda as presented. The motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

3. Approval of Past Minutes

There were no additions or changes to the minutes from the April 19, 2023 meeting. There was no public comment.

It was moved by Director Millslagle and seconded by Director Fielding to approve the Board Minutes dated April 19, 2023, as submitted and posted. The motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

4. Financial

There was a discussion between Board and staff.

It was moved by Director Fielding and seconded by Director Millslagle to accept the financial reports, Items 4.A-E, as presented. The motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

5. Public Input

Sue Hacker and Carol Endicott hand-delivered the Ladies Auxiliary donation check and letter to the District.

6. Business Requiring Action

A. Future Planning with North Tahoe Fire

Chief Leighton handed the directors a list of contact information of the El Dorado County staff who are involved in the annexation. President Miller and the other Board members decided that they are going to write letters or emails to the El Dorado County staff regarding the need to keep the annexation process moving forward in a timely



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manner and how the lack in progress on El Dorado County's part is threatening the successful completion of the annexation.

Chief Leighton told the Board that on June 1st Chief Armstrong, Director Eason, and himself are going to have a virtual meeting with the top representatives from El Dorado County and Placer County to keep the momentum going for the annexation process.

There was further discussion between the Board members and staff regarding the UAL and the annexation between Meeks Bay Fire and North Tahoe Fire.

Director Fielding asked for the staff to send the Directors an update of the outcome of the June 1st meeting as well as any updates from El Dorado County and Placer County in the first week of June.

This was information only. No Board action was required. There was no public comment.

B. Pancake Breakfast Discussion

Meeks Bay Fire District's Board of Directors has dissolved its relationship with the Sierra State Parks Foundation due to the differences in philosophy on whether burning should be allowed in our community during a burn ban. Due to time constraints and the inability to find a new non-profit partner, there will not be a pancake breakfast this summer.

This was information only. No Board action was required. There was no public comment.

C. Next Board Meeting Dates

- June 28, 2023 – regular Board meeting
- July 19, 2023 – regular Board meeting

This was information only. No Board action was required. There was no public comment.

7. Chief's Report

Chief Leighton updated the Board on activities since the last meeting. Items of particular interest include:

- Chief Leighton handed the Board flyers for the Community Wildfire Preparedness Event and the Placer County Senior Resource Fair that are scheduled for next week in which District staff are involved in;
- There is a lot of road construction going on all over the District but this had not affected the fire and EMS responses;
- We have had the busiest four months in the history of the District for response calls;



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- Chief Whistler reported that the District is working with the State for OES reimbursement;
- Chief Armstrong reported that the first day of chipping is to begin at the end of the month, and the District will be utilizing a new program called Chipper Day which will benefit the community and the Prevention staff;
- Chief Armstrong answered the question that Director Millslagle brought up at the last meeting regarding snow-shed covers on the regulators for gas lines adjacent homes;
- The fire engine that went to Reno for transmission repair is still being worked on but should be back in the District next week.

8. Information Items

- The report from Sustainable Community Advocates for the month of April was included in the Board packet. There was no Board or public comment on the report;
- The Vacation Home Renal Meeting with El Dorado County's District 5 Supervisor Brooke Laine will be held at Station 67 on Thursday, 5/27, from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. and it will also be available online. The link is available on the Nextdoor app;
- President Miller asked if Placer County Sheriff's Office or the CHP has responsibility over the bike path. Chief Whisler informed him that if the accidents happen on the bike path, then it is not their jurisdiction, but if bike accidents happen on the road it is and they will respond. If someone needs a report from an accident on the bike path that the District responded to, then they would be able to request that report.

9. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, it was moved by Director Fielding and seconded by Director Millslagle to adjourn the meeting of the Board of Directors at 5:14 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Melissa Daniels
Clerk of the Board

Staff Attendees:

Fire Chief Steve Leighton
Division Chief Alan Whisler
Division Chief Brent Armstrong
Director of Finance and Administration Kim Eason
Engineer/Paramedic Rhett Stemmler
Firefighter/Paramedic Jarrett LaShure
Clerk of the Board Melissa Daniels

Additional Attendees:

Ellie Beals



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