



## **GOLD RIDGE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT**

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*Daniel J George, Fire Chief*

### **April 4, 2018 Regular Meeting Minutes**

1) The Regular Meeting of the Gold Ridge Fire Protection District was held at Station 2. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. with Robert Gloeckner leading the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

2) **Directors in Attendance:**

Mike Doyle	Joe Petersen
Robert Gloeckner	Charlie Lachman
Christopher Tachouet	Steve Petrucci
Dominic Carinalli	

Directors Absent: None

3) **Public Input:** None

#### **4) Approve Minutes of Previous Meetings:**

The minutes from the March 7, 2018 regular meeting were reviewed. A motion was made by Director Petersen approve the March 7, 2018 regular meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Director Lachman and passed unanimously.

5) **Correspondence:** The next SCFDA meeting will be hosted by Gold Ridge Fire on the 26<sup>th</sup> of April. Anyone wishing to attend should let Lisa Guerrero or Chief George know by the 20<sup>th</sup> of April.

#### **6) Approval of the March 2018 Revenues and Expenses:**

The revenues and expenses for the month of March were reviewed and discussed. March 2018 Bank Register was reviewed. Director Carinalli made a motion to approve the revenues and expenses listed on the Bank Accounts Register Report. The motion was seconded by Director Petersen and passed unanimously. Director Tachouet asked if the new generator has been installed, and Assistant Chief Pforsich stated “yes” and the old generator has been removed and hauled away by Leete.

## 7) Operations Reports:

**Equipment Maintenance** – Assistant Chief Pforsich reported that 8182 is “out of service” at this time as there seems to be an electrical glitch and Major Diesel is working on it. Assistant Chief Pforsich stated that the new engine 8162 had a few modifications done to the body. Discussion ensued

**Building Maintenance** – Assistant Chief Pforsich mentioned that Leete Generators came out last week and he is happy to report that the generator is up and working. There are a few minor adjustments they will work on next week (level and secure it to concrete). Battalion Chief Schroth-Cary stated that the solar is working at both stations and he will continue to monitor it. Battalion Chief Schroth-Cary mentioned that Chief George is still talking with the solar company to see what can be done for the District in regards to the delay in the solar installation and down time. Battalion Chief Schroth-Cary stated the price to remove the flooring at station 1 will be about \$3,600. This would mean flooring over the existing floor. Assistant Chief Pforsich asked Battalion Chief Schroth-Cary if there was any reason not to remove the flooring, Battalion Chief Schroth-Cary stated the cost and loss of area while the installation takes place. Assistant Chief Pforsich asked Battalion Chief Schroth-Cary is there reason to remove the flooring, and Battalion Chief Schroth-Cary stated that decision is up to the board to make. Discussion ensued

Battalion Chief Schroth-Cary stated before anything is done, we would need to look at the budget. Director Gloeckner stated there is no reason to make a decision tonight. Director Gloeckner would like Battalion Chief Schroth-Cary to put a report together showing the pros and cons as well as the prices. Assistant Chief Pforsich mentioned the painting at Station 3. Battalion Chief Schroth-Cary stated he will need to talk with Chief George in regards to the pricing. Director Gloeckner inquired about the roof on station 3, and was curious to how old it may be. Assistant Chief Pforsich will check on the life of the roof and get back to the board next month. Battalion Chief Schroth-Cary mentioned the lights have been upgraded to LED at station 2. Firefighter Heaton stated they decided to go with plug and place. They are reasonable and work well. Director Petersen mentioned sometimes it's not always good to go cheaper. Cheaper LED's may cause trouble with transmissions and reception on radios. Discussion ensued

**Personnel** – Battalion Chief Schipper stated that he is in the process of hiring for the Firefighter positions, and that they have a few possible candidates for the open Engineer positions. Battalion Chief Schipper mentioned he should have more information next month. Otherwise there are no other changes in personnel. Director

Tachouet inquired about Chief George's position and if he still had 1 year left. Lisa Guerrero stated his 2 years is up December 2018. Director Gloeckner stated that he hopes he will give at least 6 months notice.

**General Information** – Battalion Chief Schipper stated that the radios in 8162 are currently being worked on and should be finished in a few days. Assistant Chief Pforsich mention that he has driven the new engine 8162 and it rides very nice and he likes the way it looks and feels. Discussion ensued.

**Financial Report** – Lisa Guerrero mentioned that the district is looking good financially, and that we should be receiving the April tax roll by the end of the month. Also, the strike team money is still being received, and currently at this time our outstanding amount owed to the district is around \$68,000.

**Training** – Battalion Chief Schroth-Cary mentioned that the burn last month went great and that they had a great turnout. Battalion Chief Schroth-Cary stated there were no injuries or damage to equipment and the City of Santa Rosa was happy with the result. Assistant Chief Pforsich mention the City of Santa Rosa may have another burn house they would like Gold Ridge to take care of. Discussion ensued.

Lisa Guerrero mentioned that Battalion Chief DeCarli, Leslie McCormick and I met with James Szymanski, Risk Control Consultant at Bickmore. The meeting was in regards to our FASIS program we currently have in place and our member resources that are available to utilize for Gold Ridge Fire and Bennett Valley Fire. Mr. Szymanski reviewed our policies, programs, training, etc. and provided us with suggestions that can be found via the FASIS website.

Director Lachman inquired about active shooting training and wanted to know if there has been any done at Gold Ridge Fire. Assistant Chief Pforsich mentioned other departments have had training, but at this time we have not. Battalion Chief Schroth-Cary mentioned that a conversation has been had with the Battalion Chief DeCarli in regards to training. Discussion ensued.

**Fire Marshal's Report** – Nothing to report at this time

**Firefighters Associations** – Janney Kovacs mentioned there is an association meeting tomorrow night. She also mentioned that she has registered two Engines for the Apple Blossom Festival this month.

**Explorer Post** – Battalion Chief Schipper mentioned Tom Warren and five (5) explorers are at the academy this week. Battalion Chief Schipper stated that Tom Warren and Chief George met last week to discuss expenses for the academy and what will be covered via the District. Battalion Chief Schipper mentioned the 50<sup>th</sup> year reunion will be held this month on the 21<sup>st</sup>.

**8) Old Business:** None

**9) New Business:** None

**10) Good of the Order:** Director Lachman had a comment to make in regards to generators and that Santa Rosa decided to change from Diesel to propane many years ago. Director Lachman new at the time it would not be a wise idea and they would have a problem when they needed to refill. Since the fires in October, Santa Rosa has decided to switch back to diesel.

**11) Adjournment:** There being no further business, Director Petrucci made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:39 p.m. The motion was seconded by Director Doyle and passed unanimously.

*Minutes respectfully submitted by Lisa Guerrero*

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Robert Gloeckner, Chair

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Date Approved