



## **GOLD RIDGE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT**

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*Daniel J George, Fire Chief*

### **February 7, 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 7:01 p.m. with Robert Gloeckner leading the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

2) **Directors in Attendance:**

Mike Doyle	Dominic Carinalli
Robert Gloeckner	Charlie Lachman
Christopher Tachouet	

Directors Absent: Steve Petrucci  
Joe Petersen

3) **Public Input:** None

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

The minutes from the January 3, 2018 regular meeting were reviewed. A motion was made by Director Carinalli to approve the January 3, 2018 regular meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Director Doyle and passed unanimously.

5) **Correspondence:** None

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

The revenues and expenses for the month of January were reviewed and discussed. January 2018 Bank Register was reviewed. Director Lachman made a motion to approve the revenues and expenses listed on the Bank Accounts Register Report. The motion was seconded by Director Tachouet and passed unanimously.

Director Gloeckner inquired about the strike team money and the outstanding balance. Chief George stated that we have received almost all the strike team revenue except for @ \$50,000.

## 7) Operations Reports:

**Equipment Maintenance** – Assistant Chief Pforsich reported there was some work done to 8163 (Oil sample). Assistant Chief Pforsich mentioned that they have finished the repairs on the rigs that were out for the fires back in October. Assistant Chief Pforsich mentioned that Battalion Chief Schipper, Battalion Chief Schroth-Cary and Lieutenant Thysell will be heading to Modesto to do a final inspection on the two (2) new rigs.

**Building Maintenance** – Battalion Chief Schroth-Cary reported the solar project at Station 1 received its final permit to operate, and Station 2 is almost complete. There was a bad part that needed to be replaced, though the permit has been submitted to PG&E. Battalion Chief Schroth-Cary reported that bookshelves have been installed at Station 2, and the gym at Station 1 is being completed this week. Chief George mentioned that the property next to Station 2 is in the process of being sold. He will keep the board posted. Director Gloeckner asked on the status of the new rent amount for the tenants next to Station 1. Chief George stated that Battalion Chief Schroth-Cary and I have stopped by and met with the tenants in regards the rent increase. The tenants are okay with the new rent increase that will take place on March 1, 2018. Battalion Chief Schroth-Cary will do a walk through to see if any repairs are needed at the rental.

**Personnel** – Chief George mentioned that they will be opening up the testing at Bennett Valley to others. Chief George mentioned that Lieutenant Irons is currently working with six (6) new volunteers.

**General Information** – Chief George reported that Gold Ridge Fire has received roughly \$16,000 in donations since the October fires. Chief George stated that the Gold Ridge Firefighters Association voted to donate \$1,000 for Ron Balzer's memorial service.

Chief George reported that Assistant Chief Pforsich and I have submitted to the County the RFP for Bloomfield, Valley Ford and Bodega. Chief George stated that the following districts, Bodega Bay, Cal Fire and Petaluma also submitted similar proposals. Chief George asked that the board review the RFP. Discussion Ensued.

Assistant Chief Pforsich noted that the \$250,000 for administration included Administrative Assistant Leslie McCormick with Bennett Valley. Assistant Chief Pforsich mentioned another piece was that we would return whatever we did not spend and any operation cost would go back. Discussion Ensued

**Financial Report** – Chief George noted we received some early tax money in January 2018. With the new tax law (property tax) going into effect, residences were trying to pay ahead. Therefore that generated an early tax deposit. The money the district received in January is part of the distribution the district would've received in April 2018. Chief George mentioned he has heard nothing so far on back fill for taxes. The Governor is proposing to pay it back in two (2) years.

**Training** – Battalion Chief DeCarli stated he is currently working on the training calendar along with CPR training at the end of the month. Battalion Chief DeCarli stated that the explorers are training on a car in the parking lot at this time. Battalion Chief DeCarli mentioned he spoke with Graton Fire in regards to training, as well as Rancho Adobe Fire. Battalion Chief DeCarli is working with Battalion Chief Wandel at Rancho Adobe Fire in regards to training at their facility. Gold Ridge currently is using the training tower in Santa Rosa and the fee is \$1,000. Gold Ridge Fire is looking at terminating that contract and working with Rancho Adobe Fire instead. Battalion Chief Schroth-Cary mentioned the burn house is active again, and they are looking at a date in March, possibly the second weekend.

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

**Firefighters Associations** – Janney Kovacs reported that there will be a corn beef and cabbage dinner next month. Chief George stated there may possibly be some board of supervisors from the county attending the dinner next month.

**Explorer Post** – Battalion Chief Shepley stated there are currently sixteen (16) training at this time.

**8) Old Business:** None

**9) New Business:** None

**10) Good of the Order:** Director Lachman stated there was a nice article in the Press Democrat about Carson Pforsich. He was happy to hear about his progress.

11) **Adjournment:** There being no further business, Director Carinalli made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:52 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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Steve Petrucci, Director

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Date Approved