

FIG GARDEN FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

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FIG GARDEN FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
Board of Directors – Regular Meeting Minutes
December 13, 2022 – 5:30 p.m.
Station 20 – 4537 N Wishon

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Larry Fortune and Louis Linney
BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Richard Caglia
CITY OF FRESNO: Theodore Semonious, Deputy Fire Chief
Christy Cronin, Senior Management Analyst
Yvonne Dedmore, Assistant Controller
OTHERS: Melanie Warner, Fig Garden Magazine

The meeting was called to order at 5:34 p.m. by Board Member Linney

1. Board of Directors Minutes – October 11, 2022
 - Board Member Fortune motioned to adopt the minutes of October 11, 2022; seconded by Board Member Fortune. Motion carried
 - Ayes: Linney, Fortune
 - Nays: none
2. Public Commentary
 - None
3. Board Member Comments/Updates
 - Board Member Linney administered Oath of Office to Larry Fortune
 - Discussion was had regarding potentially proposing the merge of the Fig Garden Fire and Police Protection Districts. A request was made to start research on what that process would entail.
 - Board Member Fortune inquired as to the status of historical documents for the district (ie Bylaws). SMA Cronin advised that a search for those documents has been ongoing and will continue.
4. Yvonne Dedmore
 - SMA Cronin advised the board that BM Getty will be retiring effective February 3 and that AC Dedmore will be taking his place
 - AC Dedmore introduced herself and answered Board member questions about her years of service at the City of Fresno
5. Melanie Warner - Fig Garden Magazine
 - At the October 11 meeting, the board expressed in interest in possibly publishing content in the Fig Garden Magazine. Ms. Warner presented options for having sponsored and non-

sponsored content. The Board was also invited to use the magazine calendar and Facebook page to publish events.

6. FAIRA Report

- At the October 11 meeting, the FAIRA report was presented, and the board had some inquiries on values noted in the policy. SMA Cronin reviewed the appraised values vs the replacement values and advised that the district is covered 100% of replacement costs for like materials less soft costs (ie engineer fees).

7. Legal Counsel

- Board Member Fortune motioned to discontinue contract with McCormick, Kabot, Jenner & Lew for legal services and retain Fike & Boranian; seconded by Board Member Linney. Motion carried
 - Ayes: Linney and Fortune
 - Nays: none

8. Fire Code

- Updates to City of Fresno Ordinance 10-55602 regarding fireworks was presented for consideration. Language will be added to Fig Garden Fire Code and presented at March meeting for voting
- Updates to City of Fresno Fire Code sections 10-50901.4 and 10-50901.5 were presented for consideration. Language will be added to Fig Garden Fire Code and presented at March meeting for voting

9. Weed Abatement

- Weed abatement timeline was presented and reviewed for upcoming season

10. Conference Room Policy

- Existing policy was presented and reviewed in response to a recent request for use of the room

11. Financial Update / Fiscal Reports

- SMA Cronin presented fiscal reports ending 11/30/22
- Received signatures for payment of below invoice:
 - a. #13849 – McCormick, Kabot, Jenner & Lew (\$480.00)
 - b. #FY23-01 – Fresno Fire Department (\$661,400.00)

12. Fire Chief Updates

- Chief Semonious presented the incident statistics but noted that we are having some issues with our current reporting system and that a revised report for 01/01/22 – 12/31/22 will be presented at the next board meeting.
- Chief Semonious advised that the department is looking at a potential location for the new training facility. Possibly partnering with State City Community College for some of their land at Willow and Chestnut.

13. 2023 Scheduled Board Meetings

- Board meetings will move from Tuesday evening to Thursday evening in 2023 to avoid conflicts for board member Caglia.
- March 9, 2023 – Quarterly Meeting (Weed Abatement Resolution and Preliminary Budget)
- June 8, 2023 – Quarterly Meeting (1st Weed Abatement Hearing and adopt budget)
- July 6, 2023 – Special Meeting if needed for 2nd Weed Abatement Hearing and Tax Roll Resolution
- September 14, 2023 – Quarterly Meeting

- December 14, 2023 Quarterly Meeting

11. Adjournment

- Board Member Linney motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:31 p.m.; seconded by Board Member Fortune. Motion carried.
 - Ayes: Linney and Fortune
 - Nays: none