A REGULAR MEETING OF THE VACAVILLE FIRE PROTECTION

 DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY

CHAIRMAN CALVERT ON JANUARY 21, 2025, at 7:00 pm

AT DISTRICT STATION #64

Present: Chairman Calvert, Directors: Gildert, Neal and Riddle

Participating Staff

Present: Acting Chief Dave Kuntz, Assistant Chief Rick Kuntz, Assistant Chief Rick Brumm, BC Jason Keune, Firefighters Vincent Hayes & Nathan Herring, Tim Walton and Office Manager Shilo Moore

Absent: Directors: Bruno

**CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Calvert at 7:00 P.M. The pledge of allegiance was led by Chairman Calvert.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Chairman Calvert, Neal, Gildert and Riddle unanimously approved the agenda as posted.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no comments from the public.

**CONSENT ITEMS**

There were no public comments. The board approved the meeting minutes from the previous meeting on November 19, 2024. **Approved.**

**FIRE CHIEF’S VERBAL REPORT**

Preventative Maintenance program starting next quarter, Outsourcing of inspections. Overnight stipend program doing well with just a couple of small issues. There are 5 of our volunteers that are going to the Academy at Solano College. We are supporting this as they can use the district as a springboard for training to advance their careers. Radios have been assigned air tags to prevent loss. The seasonal program is to be extended to Spring/Summer, which will help with mutual aid. Response times are getting better, some responses take longer.

Working on creating an Explorer program. Need to get more information on insurance and paperwork needed to start. Depending on the success of the program will determine if it will be offered in the future. We will be moving from AT&T over to T-Mobile due to service coverage. Full implementation by the end of February.

Fleet updated that Engine 364 was in shop for maintenance. We will be cycling vehicles through I-505 for preventative maintenance. Water Tender 22 is out in LA on the Eaton fire with firefighter Justin Harrison and Suisun FPD Engineer Stephen Mesnickow. They may be returning this weekend depending on the wind event. Station 67 door issues, working on getting door replaced by early next month. Nut Tree Airport inspections will start tomorrow. Scheduled for Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of each week until all hangars have been inspected.

Agility tests last week with 8 volunteers that showed up, only 1 was a no show. The others are in medical right now. Extrication equipment from grant came in and is on units. Cordelia FPD gear has been received and inventoried. Generator at 68 is back up and running.

**CONTINUING BUSINESS**

There were no comments from the public. Chief Kuntz reviewed the year-to-date budget report.

**NEW BUSINESS**

The Office Manager salary caps was tabled until the next meeting. The Day coverage stipend on as needed basis for coverage was **approved**. Discussion on the standard board meeting time was completed, and it was agreed to move time to 5:30pm, the board **approved**.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no comments from the public.

**BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS**

Chairman Calvert briefly spoke about passing of board member Russ Bruno. Todd Lechuga was asked for more information on when the funeral might be held. He informed the board that Russ was a member of Contra Costa County Fire, he also had pride in our department and had retired as an Engineer from Contra Costa County. Memorial service will be held in spring. Tim Walton shared that he passed from cancer as far as he knew. The board will be updated when any information on a service is made available.

Chairman Calvert also spoke to the board regarding an anonymous letter that was received by board members and the department from a disgruntled person. Not really addressed to anyone.

**ADJOURN**

This meeting of the Vacaville Fire Protection District Board of Directors adjourned at 7:40 P.M. The next regular meeting will be March 18, 2025, at 5:30 P.M.