



## MINUTES of the Regular Meeting of the

### Pliocene Ridge CSD Board of Directors

Date: Thursday May 11, 2023 Time: 6:30 pm

Location: Alleghany Firehouse Station 2 514 Miners Street Alleghany

**1. ESTABLISH QUORUM, CALL TO ORDER, FLAG SALUTE:** The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by President Larry Allen. **Flag Salute.** Director Pam Davis was sworn in. Present: Board members, Larry Allen, Pam Davis, Grace Lundeen and Chris Mills Director Bruce Coons arrived after the Consent Calendar was approved. Also in attendance: Pliocene Ridge Fire Chief Chris Dorn, Alleghany Assistant Chiefs David Arbogast and Ned Cusato. Pike Community Support Foundation President Roland Robertson and Treasurer Denise Ruane. Public present: Vicky Tenney. Pliocene Ridge CSD Secretary Rae Bell Arbogast was present and took the minutes.

### **2. CONSENT CALENDAR:**

Approval of current Agenda, Minutes for regular meeting held April 20, 2023 and the Treasurer's report for April 2023. **A motion was made to approve the consent calendar by Grace Knowles, seconded by Chris Mills Ayes: Allen, Davis, Lundeen, Mills Noes: none Absent: Coons Abstain: none ~ Motion carried.**

**3. PUBLIC COMMENT:** For items not listed on agenda. Vicky Tenney wanted to know why there was no call-in option on the agenda. Larry Allen explained that he had done some research and determined that with the COVID-19 emergency over, the district cannot allow remote meetings under those rules. He said that something can be added to the bylaws to allow them. This will be on the June agenda for board consideration.

Denise Ruane had a question about the treasurer's report, she wanted to know what the \$495 in strike team administration paid to Rae Bell Arbogast was for besides payroll. Rae Bell explained that it included time spent getting the district set up to be paid. She will provide a copy of her hours next month.

### **4. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS**

#### *a) Correspondence:*

**Incoming:** Notice of explosives storage (forwarded to Forest Service), Notice that annual Government Compensation report was filed from Blain Boden, consumer confidence report notice of availability from Alleghany County Water District.

**Outgoing:** Thank you letter and receipt for tax purposes for computer donated to the Pike Firehouse by Chris Kissinger, Pam Davis board seat renewal papers sent to the County

#### *b) Committee/Member/Business Reports:*

*1. Chief's Report* ~ Chief Dorn reported that activity has been light. There was one vegetation fire at the end of April. He submitted a payment request to CDF. Trainings have been full, with several new faces. It is really good to see. One of the trainees donated a new laptop computer to the Pike Firehouse for trainings. The new tires have not been installed on engine 7180 but should be soon. Nevada County Consolidated FPD is surplussing a water tender. He is trying to get it to replace the old tender in Pike 6790. It is a very nice truck that has been stored inside.

*2. Assistant Chief's Report:* Alleghany Fire Assistant Chiefs David Arbogast and Ned Cusato reported they have been building new hose packs at training. It was explained that a hose pack is used on wildland fires to quickly extend a hose lay 100 feet at a time.

3. *AVFD non-profit corp:* ~ Rae Bell reported that all the delinquent filings and the currently due files have been submitted. The delinquent status has not changed yet. Everything was sent by certified mail to the State.
4. *Pike Community Support Foundation* ~ Roland Robertson reminded Chief Dorn that he would like a wish list from him.
5. *Board Member/Staff Reports* ~ Report provided in writing. Additionally it was reported that NORCAL EMS had granted another 90 days in addition to the first 60 days to sort out the ambulance MOU issue. (Through August)
6. *Firewise Community Projects* ~ Chief Dorn reported that another 320 hours of fuel reduction work can be added to this year's tally thanks to clearing on Ridge Rd by the Washington Ridge Crew in conjunction with the County Road Crew.
7. *Firehouse Projects & ADA Compliance:*~ It was reported that the planning committee met on May 3<sup>rd</sup> and came up with four options to consider for the alternatives analysis. Another meeting is needed to fine-tune the ideas. A meeting was scheduled for Tuesday May 30<sup>th</sup>.

8. *Pending Grants:* None.

## **5. ACTION ITEMS**

a) *Unfinished Business* None

b) *New Business*

1. *Motion to rescind decision made on March 16<sup>th</sup> regarding changes to Policy # 2010 – After a long discussion a motion was made by Chris Mills to rescind the changes made to Policy # 2010 on March 16<sup>th</sup>. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Grace Lundeen. Ayes: Lundeen & Mills Noes: Allen, Coons & Davis Absent: none Abstain: none ~ Motion Failed.*

2. *Motion to rescind decision to put mutual aid revenue earned in 2022 in the General Fund:* It was determined that this motion was not needed because the previous motion failed.

3. No action needed.

4. No action needed. Copies of the preliminary budget were distributed for consideration in June.

## **6. ANNOUNCEMENTS, NEXT MEETING DATE & AGENDA ITEMS**

The next regular meeting is scheduled for June 15, 2023 at the Pike City Firehouse. Agenda Items: Fiscal Year 23/24 Preliminary Budget adoption, Consider adding a remote call-in option to the bylaws.

## **7. ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:08 PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Rae Bell Arbogast, Secretary