

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING, MARCH 8, 2021, OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOOTHILL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** President Bozza called the meeting to order at 7:30 P.M.
2. **ROLL CALL:** Directors Gloria Bozza, Doug Escherman, Dwight Lunkley, George Able and Tracy Park were present. As three or more board members are present a quorum was formed for the meeting. Present: Chief Chris Greene, bookkeeper Carrie Barlean and Deputy Chief Ron Phillips.
3. **COMMUNITY INPUT:** Pastor Brian from Hillside Community Church. (a) Movie Night - Because so many families are struggling now due to the pandemic and isolation the Hillside Community Church would like to sponsor Movie Night in the parking lot of the Foothill Fire Protection District. Movie night would be either a Friday or Saturday night starting in mid May and the church would provide water and snacks to the families. They would like the frequency of Movie Night to be more than once. Chief Chris Greene was concerned that the buses would still be parked in the parking lot at that time. Pastor Brian stated that starting Movie Night in July when the buses are no longer parked here. (b) Jamming for Jesus – Hillside Church would like to hold the Jamming for Jesus in August in the Foothill Fire Protection District on a Saturday which will feature about 8 music bands and food. (c) Pastor Brian would ensure that they would carry insurance and all liability covering the Foothill Fire Protection District. He also stated that the area would be cleaned and the grass/weeds would be mowed. (d) Face coverings would be required for Movie Nights and Jamming for Jesus.
4. **CONSENT AGENDA:**
 - A. Motion made by Director Escherman to approve the February 8, 2021 meeting minutes, seconded by Director Bozza and minutes approved with unanimous vote of yes.
 - B. Motion made by Director Bozza, seconded by Director Park to approve listed checks and warrants to be paid for the month of February 2021 and the Approval of the Financial Report for the month of February 2021. Roll call with a unanimous vote of yes.
5. **MONTHLY REPORTS:**
 - (A) **President:** (B) **Chief/Manager Report:** (a) Chief Greene reported 21 calls: 13 Medical, 4 vehicle accidents, 2 public assists, 2 other hazards. There were 56 responders; average 2.67 firefighters per call. Thirteen days of the week were not covered by OSV. The total numbers of OSV calls were 14. (b) New Purchases – 10 SCBA bottles are now in service and 20 Synthetic hose clamps. (c) Special Calls – Motor vehicle accidents are on the rise. People are out more now that we have nice weather. (d) Burn season is here and we hope residents will continue to safely clean up their properties and call the Feather River Air Quality Control to check the burn day status. We were called out today at 6:30pm for a smoldering burn pile fire at Ponderosa Park. (e) Training – We have been using a training calendar that Deputy Chief Ron Phillips created and it is going well. (f) Brad Hudson has said that he is willing to teach the HAZMAT FRO class for Foothill and Dobbins Oregon House Volunteers. We are working on dates. Stacy called Golden

State Risk Management Authority and there are still Loss Subsidy Funds available that we may apply for to help pay for the class. (g) The district received \$42,546.12 for fighting the North Complex Fire. (h) Bill Shaw Training Grant – The pagers we ordered through the grant have arrived, been programmed and exchanged. Stacy is finishing up processing the paperwork for the reimbursement. (i) The VFA (Volunteer Firefighters Assistant) Grant is now the RFC (Rural Fire Capacity) through CALFIRE. We have used this grant in the past to buy structure turnout gear. When we ask for things like SCBA bottles we were not approved, so this year we will apply and ask to update our Wildland PPE's. This a share of cost grant at 50/50. (j) We received a nice Thank You card from Ann Fahl. She appreciated her resolution and certificate. (k) We received a \$500 donation from Mr. and Mrs. Gaddy of Brownsville. (C) Auxiliary: (a) The leak in the thrift store roof has been located and repaired. Willie Marihugh will be fixing the inside of the roof in the next few weeks. (b) The thrift store has decided not to accept mattresses until Covid 19 is gone. (c) The thrift store is not currently accepting clothing at this time. The Food Bank donated 6 large fruit bins full of clothing and they are working on selling those clothes first. (d) There are no new volunteers for the Thrift Store **(D) JPA:** Meetings have been canceled due to Yuba County Health Directive for Covid-19 restrictions. We are having a meeting on March 31, 2021 in Smartsville at 7 pm. **(E) Firefighters Association:** (a) The Boot Drive for the Firefighters Burn Institute will take place out front on March 20, 2021 from 8 am until 4 pm. We have asked volunteers from Dobbins Oregon House if they would like to participate. All time slots are filling in and we will be providing lunch for participants at noon. (b) 4th of July is currently being planned. The firefighters have volunteered to take responsibility for different rolls. For example: Deputy Chief Ron Phillips is in charge of the fireworks area. We are approving the donation request letters and hope to hand them out by the end of the week. This year we will be changing the BBQ from Burgers to Tri Tip sandwiches. We will be using a little less condiments. **(F) Board Input: (G) Fire Safe Council:** (a) The CHY Timber Company and Setzer Forest Products have offered to purchase Residential Reflective Address Signs for the next 100 Yuba County homes who request one.

6. CONTINUED BUSINESS:

A. Yuba County unclaimed monies that may become property of Special Districts. Motion was made by Director Bozza, seconded by Director Able for Director Escherman to go to the Tax Department and start procedure to collect monies owed to the Foothill Fire Protection District. Roll call with a unanimous vote of yes.

7. NEW BUSINES:

8. ADJOURN: 8:01 pm
Respectfully submitted,

Tracy Park, Clerk of the Board Foothill Fire Protection District