

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING, MAY 10, 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 and Tracy Park were present. As three or more board members are present a quorum was formed for the meeting. Present: Chief Chris Greene, Captain Stacy Greene, bookkeeper Carrie Barlean, Mike Mayo and Freja Nelson.
3. **COMMUNITY INPUT:**
  - A. Mike Mayo from Yuba Feather Community Services on use of our property. Discussion on use of our property is noted below under item A in Continued Business.
  - B. Freja Nelson from Farmers Market – Submitted the Farmers Market insurance for this year to the Foothill Fire Protection District. Freja asked if the Farmers Market vendors could set up tables towards the back by the tree line so that vendors would have more shade and it would be cooler. If vendors could not go back by the tree line then the next best thing would be to back the tables a bit by the porta potty. Captain Stacy Greene would need to inspect the trees because of liability and the area would need to be mowed and weed wacked to avoid fires.
4. **CONSENT AGENDA:**
  - A. Motion made by Director Escherman to approve the April 12, 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 April 2021 and the Approval of the Financial Report for the month of April 2021. Roll call with a unanimous vote of yes.
5. **MONTHLY REPORTS:**

(A) **President:** (B) **Chief/Manager Report:** (a) **Chief Greene reported 34 calls: 19 medical, 3 wildland fire/smoke check, 3 structure fire, 5 vehicle accidents, 2 vehicle fires, 1 public assists, 1 other hazards. There were 118 responders; average 3.47 firefighters per call. 13 days of the week were not covered by OSV. The total number of OSV calls were 21. (b) Calls – Increase in Motor Vehicle Accidents (mostly motorcycles). We are also seeing an increase in logging truck traffic in the community. There are 200 or 300 loads a day coming from Sly Creek. Today we had a roadside spot approx. 20' by 20' in a red flag warning. Community members came out to help hold it until the arrival of Brush 6572. This afternoon we had a car fire in the Bangor District. Thankfully Butte contained it. CAL Fire and USFS are at full staffing, however with the short staffing in firefighting we could be seeing crews leave for more out of county assessments. Washington Ridge is down to 2 out of 5 hand crews with early jail release by Gov. Newsome. We received the Radio Plan from dispatch today so we will be reviewing it for changes in the**

state load. (Greg). Local Cooperators meeting is coming up. Stacy and hopefully Ron can attend. (Ron is out on medical leave for another 6 weeks). PG&E will be hosting a meeting with Yuba County OES on June 1<sup>st</sup> at 10am. (c) Training – CPR for new members will be taught by Ron on May 15<sup>th</sup>. We have 5 people attending. May 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> Brad Hudson will be teaching the HAZMAT FRO class here at the Foothill Station. We have 9 firefighters attending and Dobbins Oregon House will be sending their firefighter through. (d) Grants – RFC Grant has been accepted through CAL Fire, we will know if it is approved in August. After July, Stacy will submit another application to GSRMA for help with another training class in 2021-2022. We received payment from the Yuba County Water Agency for the Bill Shaw Training and Equipment Grant, this was for the new pagers. (f) We had a great turn out in Clipper Mills on April 24<sup>th</sup>. We got a lot of cleaning and clearing finished. We have a lot of pressure tested and clean hose out on the racks. Blood Source will be having a blood drive with their RV in the parking lot on May 18<sup>th</sup>.

(C) **Auxiliary:** Large donations like mattresses, furniture, Fender Amp, weights are coming from Marysville. We have requested some of our firefighters to go pick up the heavy items. We are having issues with our dumpster. People are dumping a lot of trash in the dumpster filling it up. We have locked the dumpster but then the trash is dumped outside of the gated area. The lock has been cut as well. There are NO DUMPING signs posted but then the signs are stolen. (D) **JPA:** (E) **Firefighters Association:** We have received some donations for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July. So far we have a \$200 Target gift card and Sierra Pacific will be donating something. Due to COVID we will be serving Tri-Tip sandwiches and hot dogs in foam containers. There will be a bake sale. We will need to put extra trash containers for the foam containers. Children's games like Water balloon toss was suggested by Michelle. (F) **Board Input:** (G) **Fire Safe Council:** Captain Stacy Greene requested a Red Flag Warning flag from the Fire Safe Council. Director Gloria Bozza said that the Rackerby Post Office had the Red Flag Warning flag anchor stolen and they couldn't display the flag. Director Tracy Park will request both the flag and replacement anchor from the Fire Safe Council.

## 6. CONTINUED BUSINESS:

A. Use of Fire Department Property by Yuba Feather Community Services. Mike May stated that the Mountain Air is still working on obtaining insurance for the Foothill Fire Protection District, they should have insurance by July. The Mountain Air Fair was originally from 1976 to 2005. They are excited to bring it back to Brownsville. Barbeque cook off between Fire Dept., CHP, Sheriff, Forrest Service and maybe CAL fire. Yuba Feather Community Services will supply the meat. There is a building that was used by the USFS that has a fire hose connection and hose. Yuba Feather Community Services would like the Foothill Fire Dept to check it to make sure it is in working order. The fair will be on Saturday August 21 from 9 am to 10pm and Sunday August 22 from 9am to 6pm. Firefighters will set up an EMT by the ambulance area. EMT's will each work a 2 hour shift. Yuba Feather Community Services will supply them with food and water.

## 7. NEW BUSINES:

8. **ADJOURN:** 8:20 pm  
Respectfully submitted,

Tracy Park, Clerk of the Board Foothill Fire Protection District