



## **GOLD RIDGE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT**

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*Daniel J George, Fire Chief*

### **September 5, 2018 Regular Meeting Minutes**

1) The Regular Meeting of the Gold Ridge Fire Protection District was held at Station 1. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. with Robert Gloeckner leading the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

2) **Directors in Attendance:**

Domenic Carinalli	Mike Doyle
Steve Petrucci	Robert Gloeckner
Charlie Lachman	

Directors Absent: Joe Petersen

Director Gloeckner inquired about Director Petersen missing several board meetings. Chief George mentioned that Director Petersen's work schedule has changed.

3) **Public Input:** None

#### **4) Approve Minutes of Previous Meetings:**

The minutes from the August 1, 2018 regular meeting were reviewed. A motion was made by Director Petrucci to approve the August 1, 2018 regular meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Director Doyle and passed unanimously.

5) **Correspondence** – Administrative Assistant Lisa Guerrero mentioned that the district received two donation checks, thanking the firefighters for their hard work.

#### **6) Approval of the August 2018 Revenues and Expenses:**

The revenues and expenses for the month of August were reviewed and discussed. August 2018 Bank Register was reviewed. Director Tachouet made a motion to approve the revenues and expenses listed on the Bank Accounts Register Report. The motion was seconded by Director Lachman and passed unanimously.

## 7) Operations Reports:

**Equipment Maintenance** – Assistant Chief Pforsich reported last month that 8193 and 8163 are out of service, and that is still the case. Also, 8161 is out of service and waiting for a part that should be received by next week. 8192 was down for a few days, though is back in service. Otherwise there were just a few minor issues.

**Building Maintenance** – Battalion Chief Schroth-Cary reported that there are several projects still in the works. The floor sample is at station 1 for review, and this is the flooring we are proposing to use. Director Carinalli inquired about the cost, and was told by a contractor not to go less than \$3.00 a square foot, as the quality would not be that good. Battalion Chief Schroth-Cary stated he was quoted at \$2.28 a square foot. Battalion Chief Schroth-Cary mentioned there is one other project he is currently working on, and that would be updating the kitchen at station 1. Chief George mentioned the rental next door is slowly cleaning up their property. We may need to do some pressure washing and the roof will need to be redone.

**Personnel** – Battalion Chief Schipper mentioned that there were four (4) applicants for the open position, though at this time there have been no interviews set up. Battalion Chief Schipper would like to see about possibly increasing the salary, and then reposting the position. Director Gloeckner wanted to know where the job announcement was posted. Chief George stated the job posting is on social media, the districts website and distributed through the County Fire Chiefs. Director Tachouet wanted to know if Gold Ridge is looking at being more flexible on shifts. Chief George stated that they will be discussing several items at Friday's meeting as well as shift flexibility. Director Gloeckner asked to please provide an update at the next board meeting.

**General Information** – None

**Financial Report** – Chief George mentioned that administrative assistant Lisa Guerrero set up a separate bank account through Summit Bank to monitor the money from the County for the Red Flag Up Staffing. A motion was made by Director Lachman to approve the Red Flag Up Staffing account with Summit Bank. The motion was seconded by Director Doyle and passed unanimously.  
Discussion Ensued

**Training** – Battalion Chief DeCarli reported that the fire fighters have been working on Safety and Survival training. There are two volunteers working on a self pace program and will finish in about 1 month.

**Fire Marshal's Report** – Battalion Chief DeCarli reported that the weed abatement is slowing down. Battalion Chief DeCarli will be working on visiting schools and is currently working on the county program.

Director Lachman asked if the contractor for the county program would be a county contractor. Chief George stated “yes”. Director Gloeckner asked if the program is in response to complaints.

Discussion ensued

Chief George stated they will be eventually targeting certain areas, and they will be notifying the residents prior to coming out.

**Firefighters Associations** – Janney Kovacs stated there was nothing to report, except for the association dinner tomorrow night.

**Explorer Post** – Nothing to report.

**8) Old Business:** Chief George mentioned that the Board of Supervisors approved the Silver Plan going forward and that they are proposing a ½ cent sale tax on the ballot in 2019. He noted that the unions are in support, and the supervisors have been talking with the city managers. The Board of Supervisors is pushing for agency consolidation. Chief George stated that the VFC's need to find a home and the mission is to get them into something. Chief George also mentioned that Chief Mickelson is running some numbers to see how often there is a need for a Battalion Chief at Lakeville.

Chief George stated there will be more to talk about next month

Discussion Ensued

Chief George also mentioned that LAFCO approved the Bennett Valley merge, and noted that Bennett Valley Fire will still need to give Gold Ridge Fire Protection notice.

Discussion Ensued

**9) New Business:** None

**10) Good of the Order:** Director Gloeckner mentioned we need to pick a day and time to recognize Al Fiori. Chief George asked Al Fiori (who was present for the meeting)

what days would work for him. Al Fiori gave a few dates, and a tentative date is set for October 6<sup>th</sup>. Chief George will keep everyone posted.

11) **Adjournment:** There being no further business, Director Lachman made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:47 p.m. The motion was seconded by Director Petrucci and passed unanimously.

*Minutes respectfully submitted by Lisa Guerrero*

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Date Approved