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MINUTES OF THE EAST DAVIS COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT (EDCFPD)
MEETING HELD JUNE 18, 2009

PRESENT: Commissioners Bob Ball, Linda Boutin, Cheryl Ewing, Dave Ewing, and Patrick Reynolds.

EXCUSED: None.

OTHERS PRESENT: Rose Conroy – City of Davis Fire Chief, Jim Provenza – Yolo County Supervisor, and Roxie Weaver – Secretary Clerk.

Chair Ball called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

MINUTES: On a motion by C. Ewing, seconded by D. Ewing, the minutes of the meeting held May 21, 2009 were approved by unanimous vote.

COUNTY SUPERVISOR: Provenza reported that the Board of Supervisors (BOS) is working on a County ordinance to provide criteria on the placement of transmission lines, including those being proposed by the Transmission Agency of Northern California (TANC) within Yolo County. There are still many unanswered questions regarding this project. TANC has been invited to the next BOS meeting to be held on June 30, 2009.

Provenza informed the Commissioners that the BOS agreed to a budget for fiscal year 2009-2010 based on current monies. In another month, another budget will need to be done based on remaining monies after the State's budget is determined.

Provenza reported that FEMA has issued new flood maps. Provenza has invited FEMA to attend a Willowbank County Service Area meeting for discussion and review.

FIRE CHIEF: Conroy reported that there was an accident on I-80 a week ago involving a tanker containing adhesive that turned over. The freeway was closed in both directions. Two people were extricated.

Conroy discussed the City budget with the Commissioners. City is working on balancing the budget which includes many strategies including reduction in human resources, reduction in human resource costs, one time monies, department reorganizations and reviews and 1.4 million in program reductions for a total of 3.3 million dollar reduction. The City Council will be working on the budget reductions at their next meeting on June 23, 2009. The Fire Department has the Division Chief Fire Marshal, two office positions and two firefighters on the possible reduction list. Until the budget is adopted, we will not know the final ramifications to department budgets.

Conroy recommended the following for budget reductions in the fire department:

- provide golden handshakes to senior personnel to save on going money
- institute battalion chiefs as a downgrade to current structure
- layoff the only two office support staff therefore close business office
- layoff two firefighters to meet the requested 5% cut to fire department

Conroy informed the Commissioners that the City Manager hired a consultant to review the Fire Department. A presentation was given to the City Council at their last meeting. . The cost of the consultant was \$15,000.

The consultant made the following recommendations:

- supported the four person engine companies
- recommended one operations model with the UC Davis Fire Department because of the dependence on one another
- change in service level to the public (response time increased from 5 minutes to 7 minutes) therefore no fourth fire station is currently needed

The meeting can be viewed on website and there is a copy of the power point presentation there as well to view all of the recommendations and statements by City Council.

Conroy reported that the East Water Tank was discussed at the last City Council meeting. This tank has been planned for the last twenty years. Presently, there is not adequate “cushion” in the water supply. The bids came in almost \$3 million lower than anticipated. The City Council approved the project and is moving forward.

SECRETARY/CLERK INVOICE: Weaver submitted an invoice in the amount of \$271.88 for May 2009 services. On a motion by Boutin, seconded by C. Ewing, the invoice was approved by unanimous vote.

ASSESSMENT 2009-10: Conroy reported that each year the assessments may be increased in an amount not exceeding the lesser of three percent or the consumer price index (CPI-W and CPI-U) for the San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA area, which ever is less, by a majority vote of the EDCFPD Board as necessary for fire suppression services. The CPI increased by 1.05%. This would be an increase of approximately \$2,201.74 in district revenue for 2009-10. On a motion by Reynolds, seconded by D. Ewing, the Commissioners approved this amount to be added to the fiscal year 2009-10 assessments to be submitted to the County. (See attached Staff Report).

SECRETARY/CLERK AGREEMENT: Weaver submitted an agreement for secretarial/clerk services for the period May 15, 2009 – May 15, 2010. Currently Weaver is paid \$47 per hour with a mileage reimbursement equal to the Internal Revenue Service mileage rate (55 cents per mile). Weaver excused herself during the discussion. The Commissioners decided to increase her hourly rate by 3% with the same mileage reimbursement agreement. The new hourly rate will be \$48.41, retroactive for May. On a motion by D. Ewing, seconded by C. Ewing, the new terms of the contract were approved by unanimous vote.

DAVIS ENTERPRISE ADVERTISING INVOICE: Weaver submitted an invoice in the amount of \$70.60 for reimbursement to the City of Davis for an ad placed in the Davis Enterprise for Weed Abatement. On a motion by D. Ewing, seconded by C. Ewing, the invoice was approved by unanimous vote.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS AND COMMISSIONERS’ COMMUNICATIONS:

- Liability Insurance - September
- Web Page Contract - September

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None.

NEXT MEETING: September 17, 2009

On a motion by D. Ewing, seconded by Reynolds, the meeting was adjourned at 7:40 PM by unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted:

Bob Ball
Chair

Roxie Weaver
Secretary/Clerk

c: County Supervisor Jim Provenza
County Counsel Robyn Drivon
Fire Chief Rose Conroy