

**EAST DAVIS COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
625 COURT ST STE 204
WOODLAND, CA 95695-3490
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD May 20, 2021
VIA ZOOM MEETING**

PRESENT: Commissioners John Lindsey, Bill Weisgerber, Michael McMahon, Tad Henderson

ABSENT: David Robert

OTHERS PRESENT: Paul Swanson, Davis Fire Department

Chair Weisgerber called the meeting to order at 6:43 p.m.

MINUTES

The minutes from the April meeting were not sent out so they will be presented for approval at the next meeting.

FIRE DEPARTMENT UPDATE

Swanson reported that there was no update from the Department and that all is going well.

PROPOSITION 218 DISCUSSION

Weisgerber said he spoke to Cheryl Hardy who told him that the County will still pay the District for properties that do not pay their taxes on time. The County will collect those fees later along with penalties and can sell the properties if the taxes are not paid for five years. The District will not have to pursue delinquent property owners as the County will do so on the District's behalf. Weisgerber said that Theresa Kenui at DFD is working on finalizing the fire service bill and will have it ready in June or July.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

There is one item to be paid which is the \$94.40 invoice for the weed abatement notice that DFD published on behalf of the District in the Davis Enterprise. McMahon moved to approve the payment, Henderson seconded, and all were in favor.

WEED ABATEMENT PUBLIC HEARING

Weisgerber opened the floor for any members of the public who wanted to protest their weed abatement notices. There were no members of the public present so Weisgerber closed the public comment session.

COUNTY SUPERVISOR

Due to scheduling conflicts there was no report from the County Supervisor's office.

PUTAH CREEK/FIRE SAFE COUNCIL

Weisgerber reported that the weed clearance has not been done yet as the City and County have not resolved the issues of the zoning and encroachment issues for the lots along the south side of the creek. Mike Webb from the City and Elisa Sabatini from the County are scheduled to meet on Monday May 24th to work on the issue. Weisgerber said he would call Elisa for an update after that meeting.

Weisgerber said that he had attended a recent Fire Safe Council meeting and that the Resource Conservation District will have another meeting on 5/26/21 that Lindsey will attend. Weisgerber added that he had looked at the Cal Fire grant application and that it was too complicated to complete without any help. The Fire Safe Council will be helpful here so funding might be available once the Fire Safe Council is up and running.

The Board then discussed the issue of the City or the County paying for brush clearance and the problem with property owners encroaching into the creek. Lindsey suggested that the County might cure the encroachments by granting easements to the property owners and McMahon offered that simply transferring ownership of the encroached space to the property owners might also be a good solution.

BUDGET 2021-2022

Mark Krummenacker then presented a recommended budget for the upcoming year. The bill from the City for fire services was higher this year so there is a possibility of a shortfall. After some discussion, Krummenacker was able to make adjustments that would eliminate the shortfall and recommended that the Board consider using the inflation adjustment to ensure that there is not a shortfall which would require using some reserve funds. Krummenacker said he would finalize the budget and that it should be sent to the County by the end of June.

UPDATE: YOLO CO. RURAL FPDS

Swanson said that there we no updates but the Chief's Association was considering hiring an attorney to help pursue the Proposition 172 funds. He also noted that Elkhorn needs help as their local fire service is not currently available.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

- Budget approval
- Proposition 218 Resolution
- Reimburse DFD for annual fire service or motion to pay amount not to exceed when the invoice is available
- Fire Safe Council update
- Approve April minutes

NEXT MEETING

June 17, 2021 via Zoom meeting or in person depending on State health guidelines.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Henderson, seconded by McMahon, to adjourn the meeting; approved unanimously at 7:22 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:
John W. Lindsey
Board Member