



**CACHAGUA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT  
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
April 20, 2016  
USFS CARMEL RIVER STATION  
NASON RD., CARMEL VALLEY**

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The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by Bob Eaton.

1. ROLL CALL: Don Bonsper, Bob Eaton, Rod Lambert
2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The minutes of the regular meeting of March 9, 2016 were submitted. Motion to approve minutes as submitted Eaton; Lambert second; motion carried.
3. PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

SCHEDULED ITEMS:

4. CONSENT CALENDAR: The Treasurer audited a sampling of the most recent payables and found no irregularities. Commissioner Bonsper noted there is a lot of money in the checking account and suggested moving \$50,000 into savings so that it gets better interest. Motion to move \$50,000 to savings Bonsper; Eaton second; motion carried.
5. STAFF REPORTS:
  - .01 Cachagua Volunteers: Felicia handed out a written report to Board members and briefly touched on the points at the meeting: The Chief informed the membership of the hire of Robert "Will" Cook.

Captain Dixon will provide model number of headlamp desired to the Chief. Captain Dixon and others made the point that headlamps are necessary items and, as such, should be provided by the district.

Various maintenance and repair projects were discussed. Lists of items were to be prepared and given to the Chief. Additionally new committee appointments were made: Examining and Performance Evaluation Committee - Captains Dixon, Friday, Goss, and Powell. Bylaws - Association Board members Captain Goss, Firefighters Curry and J. Reimer, and EMT Fisher. EMS - Battalion Chief del Valle,

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Captain Dixon, Firefighter/EMT Curry, and EMT Fisher.

Membership voted to send a floral arrangement to Brandon Hardisty's memorial.

- .02 Chief's Report: There were 7 runs in March. The current account balances for the end of March were: \$110,502.03 in checking; \$55,893.37 in savings; and \$197,094.49 (as of 2/26/16) in the CD. Total for all funds is \$363,489.89.

The Chief reported that the audit for 2014 is almost complete. They are finishing up a few items. There is no change in the sale of 7711(#2). Tassajara funds distribution is complete. Carol Drewin donated her funds, along with another \$500, to the district; and we just received Mr. West's address and will be sending his this week.

Regarding engine 7711(#1), there is no change. We are still waiting on help to arrange a date with Captain Friday. As far as the billing on the Hennickson's Ridge project: Jeff Kwansey sent the Chief a message last month stating that he is waiting to hear back from the upper echelon for signatures. He asked that we be patient and it should be here soon. The latest message replied he is out of town until April 25<sup>th</sup>.

The Chief reported that he received a message and talked with Chief Carrerro about the Tassajara bill. He told the Chief that he was still working on the bill with the OES folks, but had to do some type of paperwork fix to get it pushed through. Chief waiting on a reply from his last message. Battalion Chief del Valle turned in all of the time cards. Money is for firefighters, Bishop, and the district. The Chief will have figures for the next meeting.

The Chief applied for two PG&E grants totaling \$130,000 through the Monterey Fire Safe Council who will handle all of the administration of the grants. They will be concentrating on vegetation removal along our district roads. Chief will be managing them with assistance from Felicia if we get them. The amounts are \$65,000 for Cachagua Road and \$65,000 for Carmel Valley Road. The Fire Safe Council gets 5% for handling the money.

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Felicia will be attending a meeting on another grant for the Tularcitos Ridge project. No prices have been determined at this time. This one would be run as the other two from previous years. Additionally, the Chief reported he has three vehicles to go look at from Cal Fire (locally.)

Motion to approve staff reports, Eaton; Lambert second; motion carried.

6. ACTION CALENDAR:

- .01 The Board discussed the budget for the new fiscal year and reviewed a preview copy. The finished budget will be presented at the May meeting, posted, and the public comment meeting will be held in June.
- .02 The Board discussed the newsletter. One full cycle of newsletters has passed and there appears to be a good number of people reviewing them on the Facebook page (817 people at last count). The consensus of the Board was to continue doing the newsletters.

7. PENDING ITEMS: none.

8. ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m. The next regular meeting will be held on May 11, 2016.