

# EL DORADO HILLS COUNTY WATER DISTRICT

## SEVEN HUNDRED TWENTIETH MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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**Thursday, February 19, 2015**

**6:00 p.m.**

District Office, 1050 Wilson Boulevard, El Dorado Hills, CA 95762

### **I. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

President Winn called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and Chief Roberts led the Pledge of Allegiance. Directors in attendance: Durante, Hartley, Hidahl, Hus and Winn. Staff in attendance: Chief Roberts and Chief Financial Officer Bair. Counsel Cook was also in attendance.

### **II. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS**

- A. Presentation to retired Director Wallace Fullerton and retired Fire Prevention Specialist Walter Jukes** – Resolutions of appreciation were presented to retired Director Fullerton and retired Fire Prevention Jukes for their dedicated service to the District and community.
- B. Presentation from Gopal Shanker, President of Récolte Energy, regarding request for proposal for Solar Energy – Mr. Shanker gave a summary of the feasibility of releasing a request for proposal and his role.**

### **III. CONSENT CALENDAR**

- A. Approve minutes of the 719<sup>th</sup> meeting held January 15, 2015**
- B. Approve Financial Statements for January 2015**
- C. Ratify sixth payment to SW Allen Construction Inc. for Station 84 in the Amount of \$390,782**

*Director Hidahl made a motion to approve the consent calendar, seconded by Director Hartley and unanimously carried.*

### **IV. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

- A. EDH Professional Firefighters - None**
- B. EDH Firefighters Association – None**
- C. EDH Volunteer Firefighters – None**
- D. Latrobe Advisory Committee – None**
- E. Latrobe Captains Update – None**
- F. Public Comment – None**

### **V. CORRESPONDENCE - None**

### **VI. ATTORNEY ITEMS - None**

## **VII. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **A. Administrative Committee (Directors Winn and Hidahl)**

- 1. Review and update construction progress of Station 84** – Director Hidahl stated that the committee ratified the sixth payment; progress is on schedule and change orders are being managed effectively. The next meeting has been scheduled for March 2 at 4:00 p.m.

### **B. Fire Committee (Directors Durante and Winn) - No report.**

### **C. Ad Hoc Committee Reports**

- 1. Report from Regional Operations Committee** (Director Hartley and Winn) – Director Hartley reported that both parties, the Rescue Fire Protection District and the El Dorado Hills Fire Department, are pleased with the shared services agreement and added that the Rescue FPD and their Board have taken a positive stance toward pursuing more information for accessing the benefit of annexation. Chief Roberts added that he and Chief Keating will be holding public information meetings for Rescue citizens. Director Hus raised concern about the benefits of annexation to El Dorado Hills. He also suggested that while exploring the feasibility of annexation with Rescue FPD that the feasibility of consolidation with the CSD also be explored.

Public comment was taken from Neal McLens, El Dorado Hills resident, who raised concern about the benefit of annexation for El Dorado Hills.

*President Winn made a motion to give direction to committee and Staff to continue to pursue the feasibility of annexation with Rescue Fire Protection District, seconded by Director Hartley and carried. A vote was taken: Ayes (3); Noes: (2 - Directors Durante and Hus).*

- 2. Committee Report from the Commission for Collaborative Fire Departments** (Directors Hidahl and Hus) – Director Hidahl reported that the committee did not meet in February but was scheduled to meet on March 9.
- 3. Report from Solar Committee** (Directors Hidahl and Hus)
  - a. Review and approve Request for Proposal for Solar at all Stations**

*Director Hidahl made a motion to approve the release of the Request for Proposal, seconded by Director Durante, and unanimously carried.*

4. **Report from Communications Committee** (Directors Durante and Winn) – President Winn scheduled a committee meeting for February 23 at 4:00 p.m.
5. **Report from Volunteer Stakeholders Committee** (Directors Hidahl and Durante) – Director Hidahl reported that the committee met with Battalion Chief Moreno to discuss the progress of implementing the various phases of the new Volunteer Program. He stated that additional resources have been identified to help with progress of the program. He also said that the committee anticipates having to add a new position that will need to be budgeted for beginning July 1.
6. **Report from Training Facility Committee** (Directors Hartley and Winn) Chief Roberts said that work is being done to find out what is necessary to extend the Special Use Permit while the committee is forming a recommendation. Director Hus commented that a study needs to be done to assess what the appropriate development fees need to be going forward. He also said that the County has 2.3 million dollars in the development fee fund as of July 1, 2014 and said that consideration should also be given to the suspension of those fees. Counsel Cook stated that development fees will be reviewed by the Fire Committee.
7. **Report from Chief Financial Officer Recruitment Committee** (Directors Hus and Hidahl) – Director Hus reported that the committee met and has determined that there will be a change to the title of the position and possibly the salary range with more discussion to take place in Closed Session.

#### VIII. OPERATIONS REPORT

- A. **Operations Report** – Received and filed. Director Durante asked for separate tracking of Latrobe calls and Director Hus asked for separate tracking of Latrobe expenditures. Director Hidahl asked the Board to be considerate of Staff's time when requesting more information. Chief Roberts said that at least two lives have been saved by having ALS available when responding to Latrobe.
- B. **Review and update regarding Joint Powers Authority** – Director Hartley reported that the County has received \$400,000 of GEMT (Ground Emergency Medical Transportation) funding and a decision on how the money will be distributed is pending. Chief Roberts stated that the JPA is requesting a fixed rate plan to run the ambulance system. Director Hartley stated that the JPA voted to

discontinue the contract with Forte and is considering implementation of a software program used in the Sacramento area. Chief Roberts added that paper PCR's have been reinstated. Captain Russ Hasemeier relayed a safety concern incident where a tie rod fell off of Medic 85 and emphasized the need for the Board to write a letter stressing the urgency of funding for maintenance and replacement of medic units.

*Director Hidahl made a motion to direct Staff to draft a letter for President Winn's signature to the Board of Supervisors addressing the urgent need for the disbursement of GEMT funding as supported by the JPA Board with emphasis on the tie rod safety incident and the need for replacement of ambulances, seconded by Director Hus and unanimously carried.*

- C. Review and approve contract for cell tower at Station 85 -** Counsel Cook reported that this item has been withdrawn.
- D. Review and approve purchase of new dual-band portable radios –** Chief Roberts said that the Board had previously approved the purchase of seven dual-band radios for the purpose of interoperability emergency communications and is requesting approval to purchase four more, all of which have been budgeted for.

*Director Hartley made a motion to approve Staff's recommendation to purchase four Motorola dual-band portable radios at a cost of \$4,991.30 per unit with vehicle chargers at \$253.50 per unit, seconded by Director Winn, and unanimously carried.*

- E. Review and approve Resolution 2015-05 for OES Strike Team Reimbursement –** Chief Roberts stated that the California Office of Emergency Services (OES) is requiring that all agencies who utilize Volunteer Firefighters for strike team assignments adopt a Resolution requiring portal-to-portal compensation.

*Director Durante made a motion to adopt Resolution 2015-05 for OES Strike Team reimbursement, seconded by Director Hartley, and unanimously carried. (Roll Call: Ayes: All; Noes: None.)*

## **IX. FISCAL ITEMS**

President Winn said that a Fire Committee will be scheduling a meeting to review the mid-year budget.

**X. NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Election for Regular Special District Representative to El Dorado LAFCO –**  
 Nominations were taken for the Regular and Alternate Seat for the Special District Representatives to El Dorado LAFCO.

*Director Hartley made a motion to nominate Ken Humphreys for the Regular Seat Special District Representative to El Dorado LAFCO, seconded by Director Hidahl. Director Hus nominated Holly Morrison for the Alternate Seat Special District Representative to the El Dorado LAFCO. No vote was taken. Director Hidahl made a motion to nominate Ken Humphreys in the number one position and Holly Morrison in the number two position with no other candidates nominated, seconded by Director Hus and unanimously carried.*

- B. Reorganization of Committees –** The Board concurred with President Winn’s request to reorganize the Board committees by combining the Budget and Negotiations Committee into the Administrative Committee as well as reassigning the representatives as follows:

**Standing Committees:**

Administrative Committee	John Hidahl	Barbara Winn
Fire Committee	Barbara Winn	Douglas Hus
JPA Representatives	Jim Hartley	Douglas Hus

**Ad Hoc Committees:**

Comm. for Collaborative Fire Depts.	John Hidahl	Douglas Hus
Regional Operations Committee	Jim Hartley	John Hidahl
Human Resources Committee	Barbara Winn	Greg Durante
Communications Committee	Greg Durante	Barbara Winn
Solar Committee	Douglas Hus	John Hidahl
Volunteer Stakeholders Committee	John Hidahl	Greg Durante
Training Facility Committee	Jim Hartley	Greg Durante

**XI. OLD BUSINESS - None**

**XII. CLOSED SESSION ITEMS**

- A. Closed Session:** Pursuant to Government Code Sections 54957 and 54957.6; Public Employee employment/appoint issues, Chief Financial Officer/Board Secretary position
- B. Closed Session:** Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957; Public Employee Performance Evaluation; Title: Chief
- C. Closed Session;** Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957 and 54957.6; Public Employee Performance Evaluation: Position: Contract employment with Cooperative Personnel Services; and Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957(b)(1): Public Employee Performance Evaluation: Development of Evaluation Criterion and Protocols

- D. Closed Session:** Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957; Public Employee discipline; appeal; 1 matter

The Board adjourned to Closed Session at 7:48 p.m. to discuss Items XII-A, XII-B, and XII-C. Counsel Cook stated that Item XII-D would not be discussed in Closed Session.

*(Director Durante dismissed himself at the conclusion of Closed Session.)*

The meeting reconvened at 8:46 p.m. President Winn reported that regarding Closed Session Item XII-A, Public Employee employment/appoint issues, Chief Financial Officer/Board Secretary position and Item XII-B, Public Employee Performance Evaluation, there was no action was taken and items were referred back to Committee. President Winn also stated that Item XII-C, Public Employee Performance Evaluation: Development of Evaluation Criterion and Protocols and Item XII-D, Public Employee discipline; appeal, will be moved to the next Board meeting.

### **XIII. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

- A. Directors** - None
- B. Staff** - Chief Roberts said that the Department was again involved in helping to make the annual Senior Valentine's Luncheon a success. He also recommended the scheduling of a Special Meeting to expedite resolution of Closed Session Item XII-D, Public Employee discipline; appeal. The dates of March 4, 5, 10 and 11 at 6:00 p.m. were determined to be possible dates.

### **XIV. ADJOURNMENT**

*Director Hartley made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Director Hus and unanimously carried.*

The meeting adjourned at 8:54 p.m.

Approved:

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Barbara Winn, President

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Connie Bair, Board Secretary