



# Weaverville Fire District

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## MINUTES

### WEAVERVILLE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

Regular Meeting – May 7, 2024

- I. **CALL TO ORDER:** The Regular Meeting of the Weaverville Fire Protection District was called to order by Board Chairman Bill Fischer at 1000 hours. Commissioners present: Rick Wetzel, Larry Helsley, Todd Watkins, and George Owen. Commissioners absent: None. Others present: Potential New Board Member Nathaniel Trujillo, Firefighter Tyler Cannon, Fire Engineer Chris Prindiville, Assistant Chief Henry Boorman, Fire Chief Todd Corbett, and Admin Officer Serena Brown.
- II. **CONSENT AGENDA:** All matters listed under the Consent Agenda are considered routine by the board and will be enacted by one vote. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the consent Agenda and will be considered separately.
  - a. Approve Regular Meeting Minutes April 2024
  - b. Approve Financial statements including Warrant List/Check List and Journal Entries/EFTs  
**MSC Owen/Helsley to approve the consent agenda as presented.**
- III. **ACTION ITEMS**
  - a. **Discuss/Approve: Resolution 24-1, A Resolution in appreciation of George Owen** – Chairman Fischer reported that he had received a letter of resignation from George Owen. It was accepted with trepidation and sadness. A resolution, in his honor, was read aloud. Appreciation for George's time and mentorship was expressed by everyone in attendance.  
**MSC Fischer/Helsley to approve Resolution 24-1, in appreciation of George Owen**  
**Aye: 5, No: 0, Absent:0, Abstain:0**
  - b. **Discuss/Approve – Appointment of a new board member**  
**INTRODUCTION/INTERVIEW OF POTENTIAL NEW BOARD MEMBER(s)** – Nathaniel (Nate) Trujillo introduced himself, expressed interest in the vacant Board position. He gave a brief rundown of his qualifications including but not limited to
    - that he has been involved in in fire incidents as law enforcement multiple times,
    - he has been in law enforcement his entire adult life,
    - he worked for US Forest Service for 2 years,
    - He is heavily involved in the community he wants to see this Board successful.**MSC Owen/Wetzel to appoint Nathaniel Trujillo to the Board of Commissioners of the Weaverville Fire District**  
**SWEARING IN OF NEW BOARD MEMBER** – Nathaniel Trujillo was sworn in to office by Board President Bill Fischer and witnessed by Clerk to the Board Serena Brown
  - c. **Discuss/Approve – Banking and Investment account signers** – Admin Officer Brown reminded the Board that Mr. Owen is a signer on both the Coast Central Credit Union accounts and the Wells Fargo Reserve/Investment accounts. There was brief discussion on which Board members who be names to accounts.  
**MSC Wetzel/Watkins to appoint Nate Trujillo to the Coast Central Credit Union account**  
**MSC Wetzel/Watkins to appoint Bill Fischer to the Wells Fargo account**

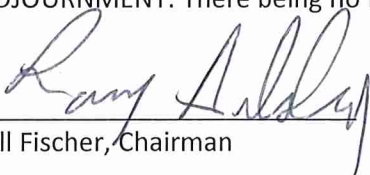
IV. DEPARTMENT AND BUSINESS REPORTS

- a. Hazardous Reduction Progress Report: Chief Corbett introduced Chris Prendeville who was a member back in 2012, who moved to Wisconsin, and has since retired from the US Forest Service, Chirs is looking for Summertime work, and will be our Hazard Reduction Coordinator.
- b. Fire Chief: Chief Corbett reported that:
  - i. Over the past month he has been doing hydrant flow testing and clean up
  - ii. He attended Shasta College live fire day and watched Nick Collins fight fire
  - iii. There is a new Early Warning Siren that has been installed on a power pole in the backyard. This is a County OES project that should be ready for use in June, when our new generator arrives. More information will be published as it gets closer to being in-service.
  - iv. He did a fire hydrant inspection at Whispering pines T.P.
  - v. He assisted with a stop-work order at the barter shop on Main Street. There were multiple agencies involved including code enforcement and TCSO.
  - vi. The Training Grounds is close to being ready. PUD waived fees for installation of power and it has been connected. Appreciation to Henry Boorman for his great work. The next step is to run power to a rehab station and other locations on the grounds. Commissioner Watkins will look at getting the dead/dying trees off the grounds.
  - vii. Station 2 has a new sleeper; station improvements are being made and they should be moving in next month
  - viii. Appreciation was verbalized to Serena and Henry for work done on the Appreciation Dinner.
- c. Fire Department Report: Assistant Chief Boorman reported that
  - i. We are currently at 25 members and are at 185 calls for service.
  - ii. He expressed gratitude to everyone who attended the recent appreciation dinner
  - iii. We attended a Career Day at Lowden Park and we had a few people express interest
  - iv. His next project, at the Trinity Grounds, is pouring concrete
  - v. We attended the THS Academic Awards and presented Laurel Brown, Zack Huff, and Nick Hodges with community service graduation cords for their significant number of volunteer hours.
  - vi. He attended part of a Leadership recruitment/retention class and that we are already doing a lot of what was presented.
  - vii. He took Engine 7 to Heritage Days during a street dance in the evening. The Chamber of Commerce has some other things coming up that he is hoping to be a part of.
- d. Committee Reports
  - i. Collections Committee: (Owen, S. Brown) No report
  - ii. Contract Committee: (Wetzel, Corbet, S. Brown) No report
  - iii. Budget/Financial Committee: (Helsley, Fischer, Corbett, Kormeier, S. Brown) Helsley reminded everyone that the new fiscal year will be coming up soon
  - iv. Policy Committee: (Wetzel, S. Brown) no report
- e. Director Reports:
  - i. Retired Commissioner Owen thanks everyone for their support over the past 27 years
  - ii. Commissioner Watkins and Wetzel reiterated how much they appreciate George Owen

V. PUBLIC COMMENT: None

VI. CORRESPONDENCE: None

VII. ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1135 hours.

  
Bill Fischer, Chairman

  
Serena Brown, Administrative Officer