MINUTES WEAVERVILLE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

Regular Meeting – July 6, 2021

- CALL TO ORDER: The Regular Meeting of the Weaverville Fire Protection District was called to order by Chairman George Owen at 1001 hours. Commissioners present: Rick Wetzel and Larry Helsley. Commissioners absent: Todd Watkins and Bill Fischer. Others present Clampers Representative Ron Isabell, Clampers Representative Carlos Galvan, Fire Chief Todd Corbett, and Admin Officer Serena Brown.
- II. CONSENT AGENDA: All matters listed under 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 June
 - b. Approve July Financial statements including Warrant List/Check List and Journal Entries/EFTs MSC Helsley/Wetzel to approve the consent agenda as presented.
- III. Public Hearing: Adoption of the Weaverville Fire Protection District Preliminary Budget for 2021/2022

OPENED: 1006 CLOSED: 1020

The Budget Committee presented two options to the Board for consideration. The first being if we want to pay off the Water Tender in full and the second being if we want to pay half the Water Tender Payment. The second option also includes partially funding the Hazard Reduction program.

Wetzel/Helsley to approval the second option preliminary budget

- IV. Closed SESSION: (Section 54957.b)
 - a. Personnel
 OPENED: 1021
 CLOSED:1023

Report: Chairman Owen reported that the Board has approved a 3% increase in pay for Chief Corbett and that it is retroactive to the beginning of 2021.

V. Action Items

a. Discuss/Approve – Historical Fire Hall. Ron Isabell asked that the item be table to next month due to Bill Fischer's absence.

Table to next month

VI. DEPARTMENT AND BUSINESS REPORTS

- a. Hazardous Reduction Progress Report: Chief Corbett reported that crews are working. We have a small crew, right now, due to some members out on fires.
- b. Fire Chief's Report: Chief Corbett reported
 - i. That he and some of the other County Fire Chiefs are not planning on entering into a Local agreement with the U.S. Forest Service, this year, due to the contract not being fair for the local

- fire districts. He gave a short history on Local Agreements and added that the Forest Service can still order us through the California Assistance Agreement.
- ii. That he attended a powerline inspection class with CalFire. CalFire will soon be enforcing code on Trinity PUD's powerlines.
- iii. There was a structure fire at Mariano's Café. The cause is undetermined but believed to be arson, non-malicious.
- iv. OES is putting up electronic air horns at all fire stations in the County. These units are meant to compliment other Emergency Alert Systems already in place. Weaverville will be the first to get one and it will be placed at our Fire Hall.
- v. Water Tender 2141 has been at the Lava Incident as a single resource but has since been release. OES 3306 was as the Lava Incident and is currently assigned to the Salt Incident.
- c. Fire Department Report: Chief Corbett reported
 - i. That we currently have 28 members
 - ii. We are to-date at 338 calls, it has been a busy summer so far.
 - iii. Captain Larry Brown coordinated a S-212 class. It was put on by CalFire Josh Faulkner.
 - iv. We have spent a significant amount of time at community events including Sober Grad, the Historic Car Show, the Children's Festival, and helping to clean up the park before July 4th festivities.
 - v. Publicly thank Captain Larry Brown and Admin Officer Serena Brown for helping to coordinated Department events during the Fourth of July.
- d. Sleeper Program Report: No report
- e. 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) Nothing additional
 - iv. Policy Committee: (Wetzel, S. Brown) No report
- f. Director Reports: Owens says there is no way to thank the volunteers enough for all that was done during the July 4th weekend. He added that everyone in matching uniform looked very impressive and commended Chief Corbett on his leadership skills.
- VII. PUBLIC COMMENT: None
- VIII. CORRESPONDENCE: None
- IX. ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1100 hours.

George Owen, Chairman

Serena Brown Administrative Officer