

## FIG GARDEN FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

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### FIG GARDEN FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT Board of Directors – Regular Meeting Minutes November 14, 2024, 5:30PM Station 20 – 4537 N Wishon

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Louis Linney, Richard Caglia, Larry Fortune  
BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: None  
CITY OF FRESNO: Billy Alcorn, Fire Chief  
Yvonne Dedmore, Business Manager  
Christy Cronin, Senior Management Analyst  
Brian Price, Fire Battalion Chief  
OTHERS: Erick Peterson  
Heather Janz

1. The meeting was called to order at 5:36 p.m. by Board Member Linney.
2. Board of Directors Minutes – September 12, 2024
  - **MOTION:** Board Member Fortune motioned to adopt the minutes of September 12, 2024; seconded by Board Member Caglia. Motion carried
    - Ayes: Caglia, Linney, Fortune
    - Nays: none
3. Public Commentary
  - Erik Peterson (president of American Ambulance) introduced himself
  - Heather Janz (owner Janz Family Therapy) introduced herself
4. Board Member Comments and Updates
  - None
5. Status update on Bylaws
  - Chief Alcorn provided draft bylaws to board members and reviewed them section by section. He requested the board review and provide feedback. He also highlighted the sections regarding board positions asking that the board provide information to be added to the position description. These include Board President, Board Secretary and Clerk to the Board.
6. Election

SMA Cronin presented available information regarding two vacant seats and ballot question

  - The two vacancies were created by board members Caglia and Linney reaching the end of their terms. Both members filed an application to the board of supervisors to be re-appointed to the vacant seats. Linney was appointed at the November 5, 2024 BOS meeting and Caglia is expected to be appointed at the December 3, 2024 meeting
  - Initial results of the November 5, 2024 election are that the ballot question has passed and the board will be expanding from 3 to 5 members. The election results will not be certified until December 3, 2024 at which time the number of board members will officially change. The two new seats will be appointed by the Board of Supervisors and will be for a short term (2 year) in order to stagger the terms for the 5 seats.

## 7. Financial Update/Fiscal Reports

- Business Manager Dedmore presented PNL and balance sheet reports ending 10/31/2024.
- Received signatures for payment of invoices:
  - 492075 – Baker Manock & Jensen - \$624.66
  - 491406 – Baker Manock & Jensen - \$2,700.44
  - Fresno Fire Department \$1,043.90
- Board discussed replacement of carport and would like to move forward with the project. City to follow appropriate steps and is responsible for up to \$25,000 in maintenance and repair of the station each fiscal year.

## 8. Fire Chief

- Chief reviewed fire statistics and noted that the department is gearing up for an influx of warming fires. He also spoke about the border response policy that was established to ensure there is always a response to minimize growth of an incident. He also noted that there has been a successful trial of new automatic chest compression machines on apparatus.
- Chief recapped the Firefighter Ball and Golf Tournament events. He also spoke about the open house in October for Fire Prevention week and noted that more people attended in 2024 than did in 2023. A request was made regarding anything the board would like to see during Christmas Tree Lane.
- The board members were invited to participate in a ride a long and it was noted that the Fresno City Manager would like to attend a meeting
- Chief asked the board members for their goal/objectives in 2025. Board Member Fortune stated he would like to see some community events with the Fire Station. A couple examples were a community BBQ and an Easter Egg Hunt.

## 9. 2025 Scheduled Board Meetings (THURSDAYS)

- January 16, 2024 – Quarterly Meeting
- February 6, 2025 – Review FAIRA application
- March 13, 2025 – Quarterly Meeting (proposed FY 26 budget)
- June 12, 2025 – Quarterly Meeting (adopt FY 26 budget) and 1<sup>st</sup> Weed Abatement
- July 17, 2025 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Weed Abatement – meeting date ONLY if needed
- September 11, 2025 – Quarterly Meeting
- December 11, 2025 – Quarterly Meeting

## 10. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 6:42 p.m. by Board Member Linney