



Quincy Fire Protection District
Board of Commissioner's Minutes
Special Meeting August 11, 2020
Feather River Bulletin Conference Room

- I. Chairman Taborski called the meeting to order at 7:30 am with Treasurer Andrew Ryback, Chief Cassou, and District Secretary White present. The newly appointed Board Member Johnny Mansell was sworn in by Secretary White to replace Vice Chairman Chuck Leonhardt. Secretary White informed Vice-Chairman Mansell of the Ethics training, and Form 700 conflicts of interest Statement of Economic Interest to be filled out and filled.
- II. Public Comment: None
- III. Chairman Taborski, made a motion to approve the August 10 special meeting minutes, Treasurer Ryback second the motion, motion passed.
- IV. Financial Reports – Treasurer Andrew Ryback
 - a) Treasurer Ryback reviewed the financials for June 11, 2020, highlighting several accounts professional services, maintenance-truck & pump aerial, safety equipment -ppe, secretary White explained the cost in professional service is for the 2 yr. CPA audit, safety equipment due to the purchasing of tents for OES 360 & gloves for structural firefighting, utilities doubled due to the county auditor's office behind in processing the claims. Treasurer Ryback approved the financials.
 - b) Claims were reviewed and signed.
 - c) Chief Cassou informed the board that we received payment for the Walker Fire, one for the airport crash rescue, and structure protection over at Genesee Valley, seventy thousand for one, pretty close to eighty thousand for the other payment, the majority goes to the firefighters that went, we split the 10% administrative fee between Quincy Volunteer Fire Department Incorporated and the District the vehicle rental fee goes to the district.

Secretary White informed the board that they will start seeing a large deposit in the strike team account for payroll to be set up through the auditor's office. Chief Cassou informed the board we got approval for the VFA 50/50 wildland grant the State will provide close to nineteen thousand toward Wildland safety gear and radios.

- V. Fire Chief's Report (Chief Cassou)

- a) Chief Cassou- did a re-inspection on the Plumas County Jail found several issues that have not been addressed, one being the sprinkler system. Steve Fowler and I performed a sprinkler test on The Pines college apartments behind Amerian Valley Hardware it passed.
- b) Chief Cassou- on August 7th we did a fire safety webinar for the Plumas County Wildfire Preparedness Town Hall Meeting, 87 people attended and, the video was uploaded as a webinar on the website as well.
- c) Chief Cassou- I did a walkthrough with PDH's new daycare center with contractors, the Building Department, and hospital staff
- d) Chief Cassou, Quincy Volunteer firefighters did 2 classes for the forest service on car and dumpster fire on the 11th and 12th a total of 4 hrs.
- e) Chief Cassou- we did a basic 32 class which is an entry-level wildland firefighter class, July 18th, 19th, 25th, 26th, and then last Saturday, August 5th we did an 8 hour field day to get signed off on their red cards to officially go on wildland fires.
- f) Chief Cassou- had another meeting with the consolidation committee for the City of Portola, and five other departments on the East end of Plumas County.

LAFCO is cutting their fees in half to do the annexation along with an amnesty agreement, for properties not currently in a district, the most favorable options being to disband all the districts, and departments, and create one new district.

- g) Chief Cassou- we had a fire on July 29th at 601 Main Street with mutual aid from Beckwourth, Eastern Plumas Rural Fire District, Graeagle, Plumas Eureka, Greenhorn Ranch, Meadow Valley, Crescent Mills, Indian Valley, and West Almanor Fire.

USFS was a huge help. PDH, PCSO, CHP also responded, AVCSO came out to open up the valve between, Quincy, and East Quincy so we did not run the town out of water. Hunt & Sons came out to move several propane tanks even though they were not theirs. I've met with several investigators, and I am meeting with another at 9 am.
- h) Chief Cassou- informed the board the breathing air compressor went down right after the main street fire. We send out air samples four times a year, and it failed for high moisture content. We've contacted a repairman that will be here on the 20th to fix. Long Valley and Graeagle are allowing us to use their compressor to fill our SCBA tanks.
- i) Chief Cassou- on July 30th we had a hose re-racking and clean up party to return all of the equipment used on the Down Town Fire to serviceable condition.

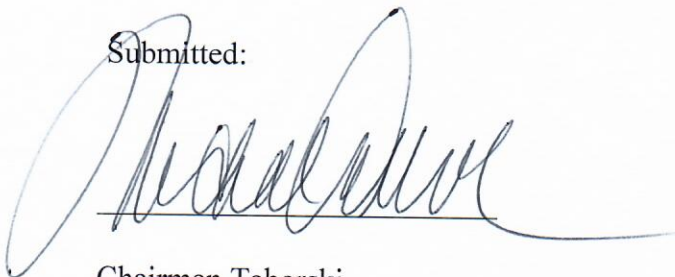
- j) Chief Cassou- on Friday, the 31st thru August 2nd Mike Williams, and Ronny Coleman were up working on firefighter 1 curriculum for the State we had a meeting with the Plumas County Fire Chief's Association, President Ed Ward, and a few others. Mike Williams has funding available for the CERTS team (community emergency response teams). Mike is looking to use a million dollars for training citizens on how to deal with emergencies and purchase equipment.
- k) Chief Cassou- Steve Fowler has been up doing quite a bit of work. The FRC student center is closed, their air compressor & sprinkler system went out in 2015. Mostly following up on re-inspections for completion of compliance.

XIII Other Business

- a) Chief Cassou- long term building plans and maintenance, Tande putting up the blinds in station 1 and not a lot of anything else going on, Treasurer Ryback brought to Chief Cassou's attention on the use of the ladder truck for the rotary ping pong ball event. Treasurer Ryback mentioned on the calendar the commissioners are doing the meal, Chief Cassou, no meals are being done with the current COVID-19.
- b) Chairman Taborski questions Secretary White on the term expiration for previous Vice Chairman Leonhardt, Secretary White informed Chairman Taborski the term date runs until 12/3/2021. The board ensued in a lengthy conversation on the background and history of Quincy Fire Protection District, and the Quincy Volunteer Fire Department incorporated.

XIV. The meeting adjourned by Chairman Taborski at 9:01 a.m.

Submitted:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Michael Taborski', written over a horizontal line.

Chairman Taborski

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