

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
OF THE TWENTYNINE PALMS WATER DISTRICT  
72401 HATCH ROAD, TWENTYNINE PALMS, CA 92277**

**MARCH 27, 2013**

**FIRE DEPARTMENT BUSINESS**

Call to Order and Roll Call

President Moore called the meeting to order at 6:39 p.m., 72401 Hatch Road, Twentynine Palms, California. Those responding to roll call were Directors Bo Bourikas, Chancey Chambers, Philip Cisneros, Sam Moore, and Roger Shinaver. Also present were Fire Chief Jim Thompson, Financial Consultant Cindy Byerrum, and District Secretary Cindy Fowlkes.

Additions/Deletions to the Agenda

None

Public Comments

Mr. Arehalli, owner of Circle C Lodge in Twentynine Palms, had a fire recently in one of the rooms. Chief Thompson and his staff were commended for their quick response.

Captain Marquez and staff presented Chief Thompson with a plaque commemorating his twenty years of service.

1. Closed Session - Conference With Labor Negotiators - Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6  
Agency Designated Representatives: Fire Chief Jim Thompson and Legal Counsel Joseph Sanchez  
Employee Organization: Twentynine Palms Professional Fire Fighters, IAFF Local 4266

Director Shinaver moved to enter closed session at 6:43 p.m., seconded by Director Cisneros and unanimously approved.

The Board returned to open session at 7:32 p.m. Director Moore announced that there was no reportable action.

2. Establishment of a Citizens' Committee Which Would Develop Recommendations for a Potential Special Tax Ballot Measure for Fire Protection and Emergency Medical Services

- 2.1 Discussion and Approval of Citizens' Committee Composition, Purpose, and Operational Procedures

Chief Thompson referred the Board to the legal memorandum on setting up a Citizens' Committee Composition, Purpose, and Operational Procedures. Chief Thompson pointed out that legal Council recommends a five member committee.

Director Cisneros moved to establish a charter of the Citizen's Committee based on the Composition, Purpose, and Operational Procedures, seconded by Director Chambers and unanimously approved.

- 2.2 Discussion and Selection of Applicants to Serve on Citizens' Committee

Chief Thompson informed the Board that he received seven letters of interest, with six being registered voters within the District.

Director Cisneros moved to appoint Mary Reeves, Adam Lunn, Larry Bowden, Antonio Jimenez, and Randy Leazer to the Citizens' Committee, seconded by Director Shinaver and approved by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Director Bourikas, Chambers, Cisneros, Moore, and Shinaver  
Noes: None  
Abstain: Moore  
Absent: None

Director Moore recused himself from voting.

3. Consent Calendar

- Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on February 27, 2013 and Minutes of the Special Meeting held on February 27, 2013
- Audit List

Director Cisneros moved to adopt the Consent Calendar, seconded by Director Chambers and approved unanimously.

4. Items Removed From the Consent Calendar for Discussion or Separate Action

None

5. Department Reports

5.1 Fire Chief's Report

Chief Thompson reported the Department responded to 146 calls for assistance during February. The month was unusually slow. After negotiating with Cummins engines, the repairs to the 2007 Enforcer engine were reduced from \$10,000 to \$3,000. School Fire inspections are currently taking place. The Annual Easter Egg Hunt is being held at Luckie Park at 1:00 pm on Easter Sunday.

5.2 Finance Report

Ms. Byerrum, Financial Consultant, reported that Chief Thompson did an exceptional job reviewing the financials. Chief Thompson caught a last minute entry, from the prior year, that was booked in the wrong year.

6. Future Agenda Items and Staff Tasks/Directors' Comments and Reports

Director Bourikas commented that he appreciates the firemen and all their hard work. Director Chambers thanked the Citizen's Committee and the Chief for his 20 years of service. Director Shinaver commented that he was surprised that only a few responded to serve on the Citizens' Committee. Director Moore congratulated Chief Thompson on his tenure at the District.

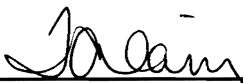
7. Adjournment

On motion by Director Shinaver seconded by Director Chambers and approved by the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:47 p.m.



Kerron E. Moore, President  
Board of Directors

Attest:



Tamara Alaniz, Board Secretary  
Twentynine Palms Water District

APPROVED APR 24 2013