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DUNNIGAN FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES

Fire Station Training Hall
February 9, 2023

6:33 P.M- Call to Order

Chairperson Anita Tatum called the meeting to order at 6:32. Present were fellow Commissioners, Tim Horbuckle, John Reyes, John Keeble. Absent: Neil Busch

1. Pledge of Allegiance

2. Approval of Agenda
   a. Approve the February 9th agenda.

   MO# 23-28 Approved the February 9th agenda
   Motion: John Reyes **Second:** Tim Hornbuckle **Ayes:** Tatum, Hornbuckle, Reyes, Keeble **Absent:** Neil Busch

3. Public Comments- None provided

4. Public Correspondence/ Discussion about correspondence received- None received.

5. Consent Agenda-
   a. Approval of the January 12th regular meeting minutes. (No meeting held in December)

      MO# 23-29: Approved minutes from the **November 10th** meeting,
      Motion: John Reyes **Second:** Tim Hornbuckle **Ayes:** Tatum, Hornbuckle, Reyes, Keeble
      Absent: Neil Busch

   b. Approval of the bills submitted for payment.

      MO# 23-30: Approved bills submitted for payment.
      Motion: John Reyes **Second:** John Keeble **Ayes:** Tatum, Hornbuckle, Reyes, Keeble **Absent:** Neil Busch

6. Reports, Discussion and Action Items from the District Fire Chief
   a. Chief's Report- A brief Chief's Report was provided by Chief Garrison that included an update on the recent flooding and sand bagging activities, and that the crews and volunteer program was doing great.

   b. Update and discussion on DWR Grant well project. The Chief learned that the District will have to perform a public bid process, or utilize the County's preferred vendor list for this type of contract work. The Chief will work with Parks Water Resources to submit paperwork to the County to become part of the County's preferred vendors for well drilling work.

c. Discussion on draft Prop 218 proposed rates

Chief Garrison introduced himself to the about 20 members of the public in attendance. He provided a historic background on how this proposal came about, including a request to the County Board of Supervisors (BoS) for part of the Public Safety Funds (172 funds), and how the BoS decided to fund the Prop 218 Assessment to quantify the ongoing actual needs of the District. He then provided an overview of the Draft Prop 218 Report that the district received just prior to the meeting.

From the draft report, Chief Garrison highlighted the actual identified needs of the district, including staffing, training, and equipment replacement costs. He then focused on the shortfall in funding to the district that contributes to the growing unmet needs of the District. Per County recommendations, a successful Prop 218 ballot initiative would be the funding mechanism that would provide for the actual shortfall in funding, or some part of it. He discussed the various rates identified within the report and added that he is working with the County to obtain the best rates he can for the district residents that could provide some sort of sustainable funding, while seeking additional funding from the County itself to supplement the unfunded portion of the actual needs.

The community in attendance discussed the assessment and asked questions of the Chief. The Board invited the community to attend the March 9th meeting, as the consulting group that completed the assessment will be in attendance to answer questions.

7. Action Items and Reports from Board of Commissioners
   a. Discussion on current financial status and any financial concerns or needs.
      - Nothing discussed.

8. MEETING ADJOURNED

MO# 23-31: Adjourned the meeting at 8:17 pm.
Motion: John Reyes **Second:** John Keeble **Ayes:** Tatum, Hornbuckle, Reyes, Keeble **Absent:** Neil Busch