



## **Special Board Meeting**

### **Minutes**

### **Special Meeting**

December 11, 2024 06:00 PM

180 Main St, Beckwourth, CA 96129

<https://bpfpd.ca.gov/>

### **1. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 6:02 pm by President Richard McLaughlin.

#### **A. Pledge of Allegiance**

Led by President Richard McLaughlin

#### **B. Roll Call**

Present: President Richard McLaughlin, Director Cary Curtis, Director Melissa Klundby

Absent: Vice President Larry Smith, Director Nick Marques

Staff Present: Chief Rosevear, Firefighter T. Low

### **2. Public Comments**

No Public Comments

### **3. Chief's Update**

Reminder Department Christmas Party Dec 14 @ Sierra Valley Grange. Six fire vehicles (engines, water tender, rescue/utility) have been sold for a combined sales income of \$45k. Staff is searching for a replacement water tender to purchase and will bring a proposal to the Board for review and approval. President Rich McLaughlin and Chief met with the new Portola City Manager and looking forward to working closely with him. City has regained its Firewise status. Chief hopes to have a roundtable discussion on evacuation procedures during fire season and after-action review what happened at the Gold Complex.

On Friday December 6th, Firefighters responded to a structure fire in the Delleker area. A mobile home was well involved with fire upon arrival. The resident was not home at the time of the fire. The residence was destroyed and the fire spread to nearby trees. There were no injuries and no damage to neighboring properties. The displaced resident has family in the area.

President McLaughlin and Chief are working on a grant proposal from the FEMA Assistance to Firefighters grant program for station exhaust systems and safety gear washing machines (extractor). The grant closing date is 12/20/24. The estimated grant request is \$300k for five fire station exhaust systems and two extractor/washers.

Sierra Valley's structure fire turnout gear expired after ten years in service. Per OSHA and NFPA requirements, replacement gear will need to be purchased. We will have an estimate of

cost with a payment plan for the January Board meeting. Estimated replacement is 10 sets of structure coats, pants, boots and helmets.

End of Report

#### **4. Consent Agenda**

A. Approve the minutes of October 2, 2024, and November 6, 2024.

Director Melissa Klundby motioned to approve. A second was made by Director Cary Curtis.

The motion passed with the following vote:

3 In Favor   0 Opposed  
   Abstained   2 Absent      Recused

#### **5. Treasurer's Report November 2024**

Rich McLaughlin reviewed the updated financials. OES deployment/preposition reimbursements and expenses were discussed. Future OES expenses and reimbursements will be broken out and tracked in greater detail. Overall, the year to date budget and balances are appropriate and in good shape.

#### **6. District's Mission and Vision Statements**

This agenda item will be moved to a future meeting agenda. No action taken.

#### **7. Eastern Plumas Rural Fire Protection District (EPRFPD) Annexation Update and Next Steps**

Director Cary Curtis reviewed the current status of the annexation. There will be a LAFCO Protest Hearing at the Delleker Fire Station on Monday 12/23/24 at 11:00am. Depending on protest level, LAFCO will complete the dissolution of the Eastern Plumas Rural FPD and annexation to the Beckwourth Peak FPD. Cary will have further discussion with County Tax Collector, Julie White regarding future implementation of the BPFDP special fire tax, tax sharing with Plumas County and outreach/communication with the Community. The Board of Supervisors will be meeting soon to authorize transfer of the remaining EPRFPD fund balance.

#### **8. Policy Committee Update**

Directors Cary Curtis and Melissa Klundby reported the Committee update. The Cyber and Sick Leave/Family Leave policies will be presented at the January Board meeting. The Committee will also be reviewing updated finance policies.

#### **9. Board Member Updates**

No Board Member updates

#### **10. Meeting Dates**

Next meeting- Special Meeting January 8, 2025 (Regular Board meeting falls on January 1.  
January 8th meeting to also have required annual harassment training for Board and staff.

#### **11. Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 7:35pm

Director Melissa Klundby motioned to approve. A second was made by Director Cary Curtis.

The motion passed with the following vote:

  3   **In Favor**     0   **Opposed**  
    **Abstained**     2   **Absent**       **Recused**