



**PAJARO VALLEY FIRE DISTRICT
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**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING FOR THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
THE PAJARO VALLEY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT**

May 21, 2015

Called to order at 5:03 p.m.

President Martone

Vice President White

Director Chauvet

Director Retz arrived at 5:07 pm

Director Freedman absent

Public comments (not to exceed 3 minutes) for items not listed on the Agenda

No Comments

1. Preliminary Budget for Fiscal Year 2015/2016

A. Receive Staff report

BC Estrada met with the finance committee and presented the budget based on a 2% revenue increase. BC Estrada reviewed the preliminary budget with the Board. There will be an increase of approximately \$75,000 in the Cal Fire contract due to a 4% salary increase effective January 1 and an increase to the benefit rates and administrative fee. BC Estrada also reviewed each line item that saw an increase or decrease. BC Estrada reported that staff has taken some salary saving measures to save the District approximately \$40,000 annually. It was pointed out that staff takes the 2% increase into consideration, but more importantly relies on the actual revenues when preparing the budget.

B. Open public hearing at 5:23 p.m.

C. Receive public comment- No comments

D. Close public hearing at 5:23 p.m.

E. Board Discussion

No additional discussion.

F. Consider adopting resolution 2015-03 adopting the preliminary budget for FY 15-16

Director Chauvet motioned to approve the resolution. Director White seconded. Ayes: all. Motion carried to accept the resolution.

2. Presentations:

A. Chief's Report, Pajaro Valley

BC Estrada reported that there were no calls of significance during this reporting period. He did mention a gang fight that they responded to on May 15 at the Spring Lamb BBQ on Sillaman Road.

The District took delivery of the new fire marshal vehicle and hope to have it in-service within the month.

Chief Jalbert discussed the state's plan for staffing this summer, the wildland threat and the early predictions that we are heading into an El Niño pattern.

B. Incident Report, City of Watsonville

No calls of significance.

3. Minutes

A. Approval of the minutes from the regular meeting on March 19, 2015.

Director Chauvet motioned to accept. Director Retz seconded. Ayes: all.

Minutes approved as written.

4. Consent Agenda

A. Expenditure Report, vendor and deposit summary

No questions from the Board.

B. Year to date County report

No questions from the Board.

C. American Express Statements

No questions from the Board.

5. Old Business

None

6. New Business

A. Consider Resolution 2014-04 approving the possible transfer of funds for Fiscal Year 2015-2016.

Director White motioned to approve. Director Retz seconded. Ayes: all.

Motion carried. Minutes approved as presented.

7. Correspondence

A. Letter from the LAFCO dated April 2, 2015

Chief Jalbert and BC Estrada informed the Board that this was forwarded to them because Pajaro Valley Fire District is mentioned by LAFCO Executive Director Pat McCormick. The bill would require all future contacts with Cal Fire to be approved by the local LAFCO and the affected labor group.

8. Discussion

None

9. Agenda items for the next meeting

- A. Cal Fire contract renewal
- B. Atkinson Lane update

10. Adjournment

Director Chauvet motioned to adjourn. Director White seconded. Meeting adjourned at 5:46pm.

**Next regular scheduled Board meeting
September 17, 2015**

President

Secretary