



GOLDEN GATE

Fire Protection District

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Golden Gate Fire Protection District Meeting Minutes 15 April 2021

1. Preliminary
 - 1.1. Location/Call to order: Sheila Carlon called to order the regular meeting of the GGFPD Board at 7:02 pm via Zoom conference call.
 - 1.2. Welcome audience
 - 1.3. Pledge of Allegiance
 - 1.4. Roll call indicated a quorum was present with Sheila Carlon, Paul Trost, Dannel Agar, and Dave Kinnard. Sam Patton and Chief DiFeo were not present.
 - 1.5. Additions and deletions to the Agenda: Add New Business 5.2 Awards.
2. Public Agenda
 - 2.1. Public Comment
 - Terri Costeldia revisited her concern about hiring neutral third parties regarding the feasibility study, etc., citing past frustrations of the purchase of Station 83.
 - Dave Primmer stated his concern about having FFs as board members, noting Sam's departure when a call dropped at the beginning of the meeting. Dannel replied that it's not inherently unethical and noted the paucity of candidates who run for board membership.
 - 2.2. Approval of March 2021 Meeting Minutes: **Motion #1** by Paul Trost. 2nd by Dave Kinnard. Discussion: Dannel wanted 3.2 to elaborate what duties were shifted to admin. Vote: 3 yes. Dannel abstains. **Motion passes.**
3. Reports
 - 3.1. Treasurer's Report
 - See <https://www.goldengatefire.org/minutes-and-financials/> for report.
 - 3.2. Chief's Report
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 - Open issues/summary of discussion:
 - Sheila read the report in Chief's absence
 - 3.3. Community Organization Reports
 - Auxiliary
 - Noted Pig Roast date change from Sept 18 to Sept 11 due to FF training conflict.
 - Auxiliary will reimburse for the business meal and reminded everyone that they support the FFs, not the Board. Mary also voiced concern that the GGFPD business meal concern could have been avoided but the Auxiliary has poor to no communication with the fire department.
 - Grange
 - Terri is working on the internet issue and broken lock on the dumpster.
 - Jeffco Slash Day is July 30-31.

- Grange would like to do another water/hydration drive for the FFs, tentatively scheduled for the first week of June.
- Grange is looking forward to holding their potential first in-person meeting and offered the Grange as a venue for Board meetings.
- Discussion on Starlink satellite internet system and fiber optics in the Canyon.

4. Old Business

4.1. Sheila briefly reviewed the Shared Well Agreement status. Paperwork has been filed with the Assessor's Office and the County's website has been updated to show GGFPD as the property owner.

5. New Business

5.1. District Growth & Development Statement

- Sheila briefed the Wilde Ranch rezoning situation and noted that the board should have a statement on the website regarding the board's position on land use. Board has no role other than to be of service to anyone who wants to build in the district. The board adapted Evergreen's statement and sent it to the attorney, who made some revisions. Sheila read the statement out loud for the audience's benefit.
- Sheila reiterated that the board has no spokesperson and has no opinion.
- **Motion #2** by Dave Kinnard to approve the land use position statement and post it on the GGFPD website. 2nd by Sheila Carlon. Vote: 2 yes. Dannel departed due to a family emergency. Paul abstained. **Motion dies.** Will revisit this issue.
- **Motion #3** by Paul Trost to send a letter to Dylan Monke, in addition to the Position Statement, stating the board's neutral status. 2nd by Dave Kinnard. Discussion: Dave felt that while it would be useful to have a reference that clearly sets forth our role, since we don't have that it's a cart before the horse situation. However, since someone mis-stated the board's position he felt it would be useful to have a clarifying statement. Vote: 2 yes. Sheila was opposed since we shouldn't send anything to the county without having a position statement first. **Motion dies.**

5.2. Awards

- Dannel, prior to departing, wanted it noted that length of service awards Chief requested should be built into LOSAP, not be a separate budget line item, which Dannel understood was for plaques, etc., commemorating milestones. Dannel was not opposed to adding a separate monetary budget award, only that this award would be more appropriately added to "length of service award program" as the name suggests. He felt this should be voted on to be approved.

6. Adjournment

6.1. Sheila Carlon adjourned the meeting at 8:24 pm. The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board is on May 20, 2021 at 7:00 pm via Zoom conference call.

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Minutes approved by:

Sheila Carlon, President