



GOLDEN GATE

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Meeting Minutes

15 July 2021

1. Preliminary
 - 1.1. Location/Call to order: Sheila Carlon called to order the regular meeting of the GGFPD Board at 7:37 pm. (Delay due to a district fire call.)
 - 1.2. Welcome audience. Sheila asked attendees to sign an attendance sheet per CDPH Covid guidelines.
 - 1.3. Pledge of Allegiance
 - 1.4. Roll call indicated a quorum was present with Sheila Carlon, Dave Kinnard, and Paul Trost. Dannel Agar and Chief DiFeo had excused absences. Sam Patton will join shortly.
 - 1.5. Additions and deletions to the Agenda: none
 - 1.6. Conflicts of interest: none
2. Public Agenda
 - 2.1. Public Comment
 - Dave Primmer reiterated his concern about having dual FF/Board member role, calling attention to the absence of a board member at this board meeting due to a fire call and “bad relations with the troops.”
 - 2.2. Approval of May 2021 Meeting Minutes: **Motion #1** by Dave Kinnard. 2nd by Paul Trost. Discussion: none. Vote: 3 yes. **Motion passes.**
3. Reports
 - 3.1. Treasurer’s Report
 - See <https://www.goldengatefire.org/minutes-and-financials/> for report.
 - Open issues/summary of discussion:
 - Will be transferring roughly \$120K money to ColoTrust.
 - Sheila asked about Facilities - Station 82 (614.30) at 99%. This includes electric, propane, and diesel payments to date (\$2044).
 - Over on Tools & Equipment/Maintenance (669): This was due to cylinder hydrotest and air compressor maintenance at 2 stations.
 - Property and casualty (624.01), how are we paying? We make a contribution in December for the following year so it’s a prepaid amount.
 - Dave complimented admin on bookkeeping neatness and status.
 - Status on audit exemption: the local government audit office is working through 1800 applications so they are behind and will send a letter when the review is complete.
 - 3.2. Chief’s Report
 - See <https://www.goldengatefire.org/minutes-and-financials/> for report.
 - Open issues/summary of discussion:
 - Sheila read the report in the Chief’s absence.
 - Regarding Station 82 remodel, Paul is donating \$180K worth of office equipment to GGFPD and for the good of the district.

3.3. Community Organization Reports

- Auxiliary
 - Terri Costeldia is covering Auxiliary for Mary Preister and DeeDee Ramstetter.
 - They are doing a newsletter again for the annual fund raiser in lieu of the Pig Roast and silent auction. Research ongoing on potential other fundraising events.
- Grange
 - Slash event is July 31- Aug 1.
 - Rummage sale is Aug 13-14.
 - Working on finishing up the access easement.
 - People donated 8 used fire extinguishers during the hydration drive, but she doesn't know what to do with them. Will clarify what to do with Chief.
 - Grange is an agricultural organization and on Aug 7th, 4H will be hosting a BBQ, dinner, and livestock auction.

4. Old Business

4.1. Golden Gate Fire Study Group Update

- Board charged the Chiefs of TFPD/GGFPD to investigate/research resource stewardship, infrastructure needs, etc. They put together a substantial report that was submitted to the Study Group last month for analysis, feedback and review. Study Group is working to distill it to actionable items to present to the Board.
- Waiting on permission from TFPD before releasing it due to some sensitive information.
- More to follow; finalizing study group's opinion; Chief will be presenting to the board.
- Terri inquired about 3rd party evaluation, but currently there is nothing to evaluate.

4.2. Future Board Meeting Locations

- At last board meeting, we only decided on this first meeting.
- Dave presented Dannel's opinion in his absence: Dannel was unhappy with Grange location: 1) persistent potential infection specifically, Delta Covid concern, 2) people who wanted to engage but were not comfortable in attending in person couldn't tune in electronically at the Grange. In-person meetings should be held at Stations with internet. Sheila agreed that for the sake of the public there needs to be an option to call in.
- Bandwidth at stations is problematic for video, consider zoom phone-in option.
- Discussed transparency issue, although it was noted that during the pandemic the same people who show up on zoom showed up today in person.
- **Motion #2** by Sam Patton to hold the next meeting at station 82. 2nd by Paul Trost. Vote: 4 yes. **Motion passes.**

5. New Business:

- 5.1. Sheila mentioned the SDA conference in Keystone. Dave suggested getting at least one remote registration to get access to the conference presentations.

6. Adjournment

- 6.1. Sheila Carlon adjourned the meeting at 8:30 pm. The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board is on Aug 15, 2021 at 7:00 pm at Station 82.

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Minutes approved by:

Sheila Carlon, President