

JACKSON VALLEY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

*** MINUTES ***

Special Meeting

Date: November 1st 2018 at 7:00 pm

Location: Jackson Valley Firehouse

2701 Quiver Drive, Lone CA

I) Call Special Meeting to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m. by Chairman Herfel; additional Board Members present: Cantwell, Thompson, Farmer and Brown; Staff in attendance, Chief Makemson and Engineer Stief. Also present Consultant Dennis Tremelling, Rhonda Pope Flores, Rosary Rodriguez and Secretary Fogal.

II) Approval of Agenda:

Brown moved to approve the Agenda as presented, Thompson 2nd the motion, all in favor 5 ayes.

III) Public matters not on the agenda:

Herfel presented a gift for \$5,000 given to Jackson Valley Fire Department (JVFD) from MP Associates, Inc. This money is believed to be the winnings from CAL FIRE Bingo, the Board was very grateful for the gift.

IV) Discussion of the Annual Mitigation money to be provided by the Tribe for the JVFD: Suggested action; Discussion and possible action.

Herfel called the Special Meeting after receiving a letter from Dan Carpenter asking to reconfirm a \$55,000.00 mitigation fee that was discussed at the October 10th, 2018 Board of Directors Meeting. Cantwell stated that in the original ISA Agreement, \$30,000.00 was an offset operational cost once the new station is built, and \$25,000.00 is a minimum cost for Volunteers. The Board explained the ISA states during the construction, the operational cost of Station 171 is to be paid by the Tribe.

Rhonda explained the letter from Dan Carpenter was NOT to question the use of the \$55,000 by the Jackson Valley Fire Department (JVFD) it was just to document and confirm the amount.

The Tribe states that they agree to pay the \$55,000 to JVFD now, and once the opening of the Casino Rhonda suggested we all sit down and talk, the Tribe will always work with and "take the high road". Herfel asked the Board if they want to make a motion, regarding the fees. No motion was made.

Rhonda explained that the changes and the County have caused this to end up in Arbitration in the end. Rhonda said the Tribe had received some bills for JVFD, Herfel explained to Rhonda that the bills that were submitted were the cost obtained to prepare for CAL FIRE to work out of Station 171, this included apparatus repairs required by CAL FIRE, as well as operational cost during the construction phase of the Casino project.

The Board shared with Rhonda that JVFD will always provide protection and emergency service to all calls in this area and would hope that in the future the Tribe will renegotiate with JVFD. Rhonda said she will go back and talk to Dan Carpenter, explaining no motion was made at this Board meeting, they will follow the ISA to the best of their ability. Rhonda expressed she wished that all parties had been invited to come to the table from the beginning.

NEW BUSINESS: Discussion items only:

Next regular meeting of November 14, 2018 at 7:00 pm

Brown motions to adjourn to the next Regular Meeting Cantwell 2nd the motion, all in favor 5-0.

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