# **MINUTES**

# Tuesday, September 26, 2023 9:30 AM Garden Valley Fire Protection District Board of Directors 4860 Marshall Road, Garden Valley 95633 530-333-1240

Call to Order: E. Hawkins, F. Edwards, M. Spaugh, R. Nail and F. Clark are present.

Announcement of Quorum: There is a quorum and the meeting begins at 9:30am.

Pledge of Allegiance: The pledge of allegiance is conducted.

**1.0 ADOPT AGENDA:** Director Nail motions to adopt the agenda. Director Spaugh seconds the motion. All are in favor and the motion is approved.

## 2.0 Approval of Minutes

2.1 Approve Minutes from August 22, 2023 meeting: Director Nail motions to approve the minutes. Director Spaugh seconds the motion. All are in favor and the minutes are approved.

#### 3.0 INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS AND PUBLIC COMMENTS

Visitors are always welcomed at meetings of the Board of Directors and their suggestions and comments are encouraged. Those wishing to address the Board may do so when the item on the agenda is taken up prior to any action being taken by the Board, or under Communications. Oral Communications will be limited to 3 minutes per topic. The Board of Directors may vote to extend that time limit. **Cherie Carlyon is present.** 

4.0 CHIEFS REPORT: Chief Norman was out on assignment for 18 days. The tender has been contracted out to Cal Fire. All of our team members have been active. Steve Rubick is coming by to give a second quote on a new generator. Carnahan has already provided one. Chief Norman and the Admin Asst. will be finalizing the budget in the next few weeks.

### **5.0 OLD BUSINESS**

5.1 Audit Approvals: Director Clark motions to approve the audit drafts. Director Nail seconds the motion. Cherie has a comment. She informs the board that she did not receive the reports in her packet. Admin Asst. emailed her immediately. All are in favor and the motion is approved. 5.2 Ad-Hoc Committee for Emergency Services on the Divide Update: There is officially a Fire Authority; the first meeting will be October 3<sup>rd</sup> here at Garden Valley Station 51. The committee is hoping for a guest speaker that has some experience with starting a fire authority. They also want to put together a 5- and 10-year plan. They elected a Chairman whom is Mike Webb. A representative from Rescue Department holds the Vice Chair. Director Spaugh would like a standing agenda item for monthly updates on the Fire Authority.

5.3 Type 6 Update: They Type 6 is here. Decals are in design process now. GVFPD received the Cal Fire 50/50 grant and that will help pay for radios.

#### **6.0 NEW BUSINESS**

6.1 Bills/Financials: Director Clark motions to approve the bills/financials. Director Nail seconds the motion. All are in favor and the motion is approved.

#### 7.0 CLOSED SESSION CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR (Gov. Code § 54957.6)

**GVFPD and Chief Norman** Meeting moves into closed session at 10:18 am. Meeting comes out of closed session at 10:38 am. The BOD reports that a 520-hour cap will be placed on Chief Norman's vacation hours. Ed Hawkins and Frank Edwards will be the Union Committee appointed for negotiations and next week's Closed Session.

**8.0 OPEN FORUM:** Ryan Howard has requested a closed session at October meeting for representation of the union. Friday the 13<sup>th</sup> the VFW is putting on a Halloween ball. Needle nellies is folding up shop. Chief Norman would like to do a luncheon for them to show our appreciation for all the support they have given us throughout the years.

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