



Cal Tahoe Emergency Services Operations Authority

JPA Board of Directors Special Meeting

Thursday December 15, 2016 9:00 am.
Lake Valley Fire District Station 7 – Training Room
2211 Keetak St., South Lake Tahoe, CA 96150

Minutes

I. Special- Call to Order/ Roll Call/ Pledge of Allegiance

A. Chairperson Bettencourt called the Meeting to order at 9:05am

B. Pledge of Allegiance

C. Board Attendees

- Bob Bettencourt, Chairperson
- Dave Huber, Director
- Wendy David, Director

Other Attendees

- Megan Nickles, CTESOA Operations Manager
- Ryan Wagoner, CTESOA Executive Director
- Tim Alameda, Fire Chief for LVFD
- Brad Zlendick, Fire Chief for LVFD
- Jeff Michael, LVFD
- Dave Hekuis, LVFD
- Rich Todd
- Jeff Meston
- Kim Crouse
- Ron Sitton

1. Communications from the Audience on Non Agenda Items.

None.

2. Public's Chance to speak on any Non-Agenda Items.

Director Huber objects to Chief Meston being on the board as a voting member. Will be put on agenda for next meeting.

D. Note about California's Open Meeting Law

1. Approval of Agenda

Director Huber motioned to approve agenda, Council Member David seconded the motion. Motion carries unanimously.

2. Approval of Special Meeting Minutes October 31st 2016

Director Bettencourt motions to approve minutes, Director Huber seconded the motion. All in favor, with the correction to change date from October 29th to October 31st. Director Huber asked if a dispatch contract was signed, Executive Director Wagoner said no it was not. No further discussion. Motion carries unanimously.

3. Approval of 6 month Performance Evaluation with Merit Raise

Executive Director Wagoner- Proposes a Merit Raise and Signing Bonus at 6 month performance evaluation in hopes of giving incentive to employees to stay at JPA longer. Director Bettencourt- discusses the issue of turnover rate and the cost to replace each employee. It was clarified that the Signing Bonus would need to be approved at a later time as it is not on this meeting's agenda. Director Huber moves to approve the 6 month merit raise, Council Member David seconded the motion. Director Bettencourt calls for further discussion. The next meeting will discuss incentive issues. No further discussion. Motion approved unanimously.

4. County IFT Agreement Update

Executive Director Wagoner- explains the current IFT agreement, with the possibility of Barton Memorial Hospital (BMH) becoming a partner to fund a part time IFT car. Executive Director Wagoner states that a condition for BMH would be to become a member of the JPA Board of Directors. County Council and JPA Council are to set up a meeting to discuss the legality of this. Director Huber asks what would happen if we were to receive the \$150,000.00 from BMH. Executive Director Wagoner clarifies about the possibility of violating the Kickback Statute. Executive Director Wagoner explains that part of the pending agreement, in which BMH would become a member of the JPA, is not yet possible because Senator Bigalow's office needs to push legislation through, which BMH is aware of. Rich Todd requests hard evidence to discuss further the need for a budget increase, or to accept an agreement with BMH. Chief Alameda expresses concern for the impact on Lake Valley Fire Department's Budget and suggested the utilization of Lake Valley's Lawyers. Chief Hekuis advised to be cautious while considering all options.

5. Long Term Ambulance Discussion Update

Rich Todd- discusses the future for potential boundary and service model changes, and funding. The County proposed to take JPAs off the General Fund and use the GEMT money to fund the mobile platform. Committee has been requested to provide a true figure of what is needed. EMSA is going to provide \$1.2 million in the form of a grant, to compensate the mobile platform and Rich Todd requested a letter of support from both JPAs. Board gives direction to Executive Director Wagoner to write a letter of support. Chief Alameda signed a boundary drop with North Tahoe and Meeks Bay on October 3, 2016. Chief Schwartz was interested in using the JPA as a mechanism to put an ambulance as well as an ALS engine at Meeks Bay, but through further research discovered they could get licensed through Rich Todd and North Tahoe to get an ambulance. It was clarified that North Tahoe did not join the JPA Board as they no longer needed to in order to achieve their goal.

Discussion regarding next regular quarterly meeting – Meeting scheduled for Monday, January 9th, 2017 @ 9:00 am at CAL Tahoe/SLT Station 2

E. Adjournment

Director Bettencourt adjourned the meeting at 10:25