Ross Valley Fire Board Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, February 14, 2018

Board members: Lacques, Reed, Greene, Brown, Brekhus, Shortall, Finn. Kuhl absent.

No public addressed the board.

Consent Agenda: Steve Lamb, Resident of San Anselmo, asked a question about the line item Minimum Staffing and what it was. Acting Chief Meagor explained that it was the overtime line in the budget. M/S Greene/Finn to accept Consent as presented. All ayes.

Mid-Year Budget Review – Finance Director Helen Yu Scott presented the staff report and thanked staff for providing support in putting together the Mid-Year Budget Review. She presented the changes to the budget and combining the funds that were created in the prior budget back into the regular budget. M/S Greene/Finn to approve Resolution revising the FY 1718 budget as presented. All ayes.

Wildland Urban Interface Fire preparedness presentation by Fire Safe Marin (Member Shortall and Todd Lando). Member Lacques suggested having a larger community meeting with all members of the jurisdiction to get neighborhoods to form together. Member Greene mentioned that it would be more productive to have smaller meetings within each community, instead of a larger meeting. Member Shortall spoke that Fire Safe Marin would be happy to attend meetings in each area, so that you can get people talking to their neighbors. Acting Chief Meagor replied that there have been two meetings in Fairfax within the past few months. There have been other county-wide meetings that have been held as well. He is excited about the Firewise Communities because they bring together smaller neighborhoods. It's better to work in smaller groups then in larger groups because neighbors can plan and work together.

Update on the status of Fire Chief Recruitment and Executive Management Shared Services. Acting Chief Meagor updated the board on the current status of the process. Ads and flyers have been sent out and the due date for applications for Fire Chief is March 16th. Chief Weber and Acting Chief Meagor are working together to establish deliverables for the Shared Services between RVFD and MCFD.

Minutes respectfully submitted,

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