

Ross Valley Fire Board
Meeting Minutes
October 9, 2019

All board members present.

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Open time: no public in attendance

Board requests: Member Finn re-introduced Sharon Adams, SHFPD for Member Shortall

Chief Report: Chief Weber gave an overview of the Public Safety Power Shutoff currently occurring in the County. Discussion regarding the upstaffing for the anticipated wind/ red flag event.

Consent Agenda: M/S Greene/Brekhus. All ayes.

Information regarding the MMWD Fire Flow Program: Chief Weber presented the staff report and explained the program and its history. The extended the fire flow fee in 2012, for an additional 19 years, in order to continue the work that has been identified. This information is for the board's information.

Year End Review of Defensible Space Inspection Program: Chief Weber presented the staff report and a short presentation on the results of the program. The team of inspectors were very successful in their creation of a new program from the ground up. Discussion regarding the future of the program, what can be done in future years, funding sources, how to provide social media blitz prior to program beginning again.

Annual Review of Administrative Services Agreement with Marin County FD: Chief Weber provided the staff report and explained what the status of the deliverables are within the first year of the agreement. The first year has been interesting, especially with other issues that have come up during the year. More time has been spent getting to know the department and that there are more parallel duties than as integration as he would have hoped. Discussion regarding some of the duties that are challenging with two separate organizations. There could be discussions in the future about what is best for the organization, whether it is consolidation of the departments. There will need to be many further and serious discussions for the future. Member Greene would like to examine what it would take, financially, to increase the staffing level from two to three. He would like to start those discussions sooner rather than later. Discussion regarding the interaction between the members of the JPA and members of the staff. There is work to be done and tune ups that will need to occur, course corrections. Please contact the Chief with any concerns. Captain Todd Standfield spoke on behalf of the firefighters and how they have seen how hard-working Chief Weber is and how engaged he is in the fire service as a whole. And how much he cares about the

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organization, the community, the people. The department will always be appreciative to Chief Weber for stepping in when our organization did not have leadership and having just lost a member of our department.

Adopt Resolution 19-09 A Resolution to amend the compensation package for the Fire Inspector and to reclassify the second position as Senior Fire Inspector.

Chief Weber presented the staff report and provided the background of how this change came to be. The fire inspector class was separated between the two positions. There would be no change to the budget. M/S Brekhus/Greene to approve as presented. All ayes.

Minutes respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "JoAnne Lewis". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a prominent loop at the end.

JoAnne Lewis,
Administrative Assistant