



# EL DORADO COUNTY FIRE CHIEFS ASSOCIATION SPECIAL MEETING

## MINUTES

Wednesday, January 19, 2022, 11:30  
**Diamond Springs Fire Station 49**  
501 Pleasant Valley Road  
Diamond Springs, CA 95619

### Fire Chiefs

- Deputy Chief Mike Lilienthal, EDH Fire (Rescue) **Vice Chair**
- Chief Tim Cordero, ECF Fire **Chair**
- Unit Chief Mike Blankenheim, CAL FIRE AEU
- Asst. Chief Sherry Moranz, CAL FIRE CAM Fire
- Chief Matt Gallagher, DSP Fire **Treasure**
- Chief Maurice Johnson, EDH Fire
- Gary Gerren, FLL Fire
- Chief Wes Norman, GRV Fire
- Chief Glenn Brown, Georgetown Fire
- Chief Brad Zlendick, LAV Fire
- Chief Steve Leighton, NTF Fire
- Chief Jack Rosevear, MQT Fire
- Chief Mark Matthews, PIO Fire,
- Chief Clive Savacool, SLT Fire
- Chief David Whitt, Tribal Fire
- Chief Jay Kurth, USFS
- Deputy Chief Nickie Johnny, USFS
- Asst. Chief Kit Bailey, Cal OES
- Asst. Chief Corey Zander, Cal OES

### Other Attendees

- Battalion Chief Mike Batham, CAL FIRE ECC AEU
- Deputy Chief Leah Yaws, DSP Fire
- Asst. Chief Linda Szczepanik, GRV Fire
- Sue Henninke, El Dorado County CAO's Office
- Steve Willis, El Dorado County FSC
- Michelle Patterson, El Dorado County EMSA
- Brian Veerkamp, El Dorado County Emergency Services Authority
- Cristy Jorgensen, El Dorado County Emergency Services Authority
- Duane Waddle, CSDA
- Todd Crawford, EDSO OES
- Ron Phillips, EDH Fire/El Dorado County FPO

### Pledge of Allegiance

#### 1. Call to Order and Introductions

2. **Public Comments** – Public comments will be received on each agenda item as it is called. The public may address matters not on the agenda at this time. Individual comments will be limited to three (3) minutes. The Board reserves the right to waive said rules by a majority vote.

No public comment.

3. **Approval of Agenda** – Motion to approve – Chief Lilenthal, Second Chief Lohan

4. **Approval of Minutes** – November 16, 2021

Motion to approve – Chief Lilenthal , Second Chief Johnson

5. **Treasurer's Report** – Chief Gallagher provided the current Treasurer's Report. Current balance of \$7,072.71.

6. **Fire Advisory Board** – no report

7. **Fire Insurance Adhoc Committee** - no report from Chief Johnson

#### 8. **Old Business**

8.1 USFS Agreement Challenges – Chief Cordero to reach out to Nickie Johnny to see if she can attend the next Fire Chief's Association Meeting.

8.2 LAFCO MSR Ad Hoc Committee Update – Draft MSR has made it to LAFCO. They have a committee currently reviewing. Chief Johnson stated Tim White was elected and will be sworn in on the 26<sup>th</sup>.

8.3 TO's 501c(3) follow up – Chief Lilienthal stated he is working on it.

8.4 EDSO Homeland Security Grant  
UTV Purchase(s)  
Chief Gallagher provided an update on the EDSO Homeland Security Grant.

Board gave direction to also look into Can-Am as well as Polaris.

8.5 West Slope AAR for Caldor Fire – No Report

#### 9. **New Business**

9.1 Special Recognition of Deputy Todd Crawford – Tabled till next meeting.

9.2 American Rescue Plan Act Funds – Disbursement Methodology

Motion to approve staff report as presents - \$22,727.00 per staffed engine – Chief Johnson – Second Chief Lilenthal.

9.3 Caldor Fire After Action Review – East Slope, Chief Savacool 1300 time slot

Chief Savacool provided presentation on Caldor Fire After Action Review.

9.4 Fire Chief's Association Website Update

Chief Cordero stated he received the sign in for the website and will continue to work on it.

#### 10. **Section Reports**

10.1 Training Officers – Chief Lohan provided an update on the last Training Officers Meeting.

10.2 Fire Prevention Officers –

10.2.1 Proposed amendments of the Fire Code pertaining to open burning, Recreational Fires, Outdoor Fireplaces and Campfires

10.3 Operations – No Report

- 10.4 CSA 3 – Chief Savacool stated the JPA is having some current staffing issues.
- 10.5 USAR Task Force – no report
- 10.6 Firescope – Next meeting is to take place on Friday, January 21, 2022. Could be moved to a virtual meeting or rescheduled in March or April.

## **11. Standing Committee Reports**

- 11.1 EMS Agency – no additional reports
- 11.2 OES, State and Local – discussion on fire season, Caldor Fire, and the great support from the Chiefs to the Caldor Fire. Also discussed the mud/debris flow issues expected this year. Discussed repositioning assets from mud/debris flow. Discussed WhatsApp success this year.
- 11.3 Fire Safe Council – update from Chief Pimlott Fire Safe Council on chipping programs, grants and in person Board Meetings.
- 11.4 LAFCO – discussed Jose left LAFCO. Election process coming to fill two vacancies and the Executive Director position
- 11.5 CSDA – Duane presented on the CSDA \$100 Million Grant available.
- 11.6 Red Cross
- 11.7 Environmental Health
- 11.8 CAO's Office – Discussed ARPA Grant process
- 11.9 PG&E – no report

## **12. District Reports**

- 12.1 CAL FIRE AEU
- 12.2 CAL FIRE Cameron Park
- 12.3 City of South Lake Tahoe
- 12.4 Diamond Springs-El Dorado
- 12.5 El Dorado County
- 12.6 El Dorado Hills
- 12.7 Fallen Leaf Lake
- 12.8 Garden Valley
- 12.9 Georgetown
- 12.10 Lake Valley
- 12.11 Mosquito
- 12.12 North Tahoe/Meeks Bay
- 12.13 Pioneer
- 12.14 Rescue
- 12.15 Tribal/ROP
- 12.16 US Forest Service
- 12.17 JPA

## **13. Good and Welfare**

## **14. Executive Session**

## **15. Adjournment**

Next meeting: 9:30 on Wednesday March 23, 2022

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