

**VISTA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT  
MINUTES  
Wednesday, October 14, 2020 6:00 P.M.**

The regularly scheduled monthly meeting of the Board of Directors of the Vista Fire Protection District was called to order virtually through a platform made available to the public, by presiding President, Read Miller, at 6:00 P.M.

**I. ROLL CALL**

Directors Present: Mr. Read Miller, President  
Mr. Robert Fougner, Vice President  
Mr. James Elliott, Director  
Mr. Jerry Hill, Director

Directors Absent: Wallace Stewart

Staff Present: Fire Chief, Ned Vander Pol, Deputy Fire Chief, Craig Usher, Fire Inspector, Jeremy Nichols, Board Clerk, Christie Ross, Legal Counsel, Fred Pfister

**II. APPROVAL OF THIS MEETING'S AGENDA**

On motion made by Director Elliott and duly seconded by Director Hill, the Directors present unanimously approved the agenda.

**III. OPEN DISCUSSION WITH THE BOARD**

None

**IV. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

On a motion made by Director Hill and duly seconded by Director Elliott, the Minutes, as amended for the meeting held September 9, 2020, were approved by Directors Elliott, Fougner, and Hill. Director Miller abstained.

**V. OFFICERS' REPORTS**

- A. Accounts Payable. The Board reviewed the report of the District's Accounts Payable for the month ending September 2020. On motion made by Director Elliott, and duly seconded by Director Hill, Directors Elliott, Fougner, and Hill approved the payments as listed in the amount of \$13,140.35 for the month of September. Director Miller abstained.
- B. Portfolio Summary/District Investments. The Board reviewed the Treasurer's Report on the District Investments as of September 2020.

- C. District Insurance. Director Fougner reported on the renewal of the District's insurance package. On a motion made by Director Fougner, and duly seconded by Director Miller, the Board authorized District counsel to incur up to \$2,000 in fees to determine whether the recently renewed policies obligate the insurers to pay for the costs of defending the District in the event of any claim arising out of an alleged negligence or failure in providing fire-fighting or emergency medical services.

## **VI. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

None

## **VII. SPECIAL MATTERS DESIGNATED FOR CONSIDERATION**

None

## **VIII. CONTINUING BUSINESS**

- A. Emergency Access Roads. Director Hill provided an update on the status of the Emergency Access Roads and presented a proposal for seasonal erosion control efforts. On a motion made by Director Hill, and duly seconded by Director Fougner, the Board authorized the award of a contract to Bistline Engineering in an amount not to exceed \$25,000 for erosion control maintenance, grading and repairs to roadway surfaces and other related work efforts. Director Hill to follow up with VFPD Board Counsel to expedite contract documents.
- B. District Fire Inspector's Report. Fire Inspector Jeremy Nichols provided results of activities in September including weed abatement inspections of access roads and District website requests, together with his proposed activities for October.
- C. Fire Marshalls Report. Deputy Fire Chief Craig Usher provided an update on projects for properties located within the District.
- D. Fire Department Performance Report. Fire Chief Ned Vander Pol reported on performance by the City of Vista's Fire Department during September 2020.
- E. Fire Chief's Update. Fire Chief Ned Vander Pol reported on other matters of interest to the Department and the District. In response to a question from Director Fougner, Chief Vander Pol advised that patients transported by emergency services may request the emergency room of their choice, subject to the discretion of the paramedics based on the patient's condition, and most suitable hospital for their needs.

## **IX. NEW BUSINESS**

None

**X. DIRECTORS' ANNOUNCEMENTS & WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS**

Directors' were invited to make announcements and share written communications.

**XI. MOTION FOR ADJOURNMENT**

On a motion made by Director Miller, the meeting was adjourned at 7:08 PM.

**Copy of the Agenda and the Board Package of Meeting Materials Are Available at the Office of the Clerk of the Board**

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