Minutes of the Capay Valley Fire Protection District Commissioners

Monday 12 May 2025

1. Meeting Called To Order:

The regular meeting of the Capay Valley Fire Protection District Board of Commissioners was opened and called to order at 6:39 PM by Vice Chair, Mark Burns. Board Members Present were Caleb Sehnert, Dawnmarie Eason, and Wyatt Cline. Also present was Fire Chief and District Secretary Jesse Capitanio.

1. Reading and approval of prior meeting minutes:

A motion was made by Caleb to approve the February meeting minutes, seconded by Wyatt, and passed by all present.

1. Correspondence:

No correspondence.

1. Public Comment:

There was no public comment.

1. Old Business:
   1. Joint Operations Update:

No update at this time

* 1. CVERA Update:

CVERA had their first work party of the year cleaning up a property on Road 49.

* 1. Project Updates
     1. Station 22:

The door is installed in Station 22 and work uncovered some additional issues which need to be addressed.

* + 1. Station 21:

Jesse spoke with Battalion Chief Privett at Brooks station and one of their crews may be able to dismantle the existing building. Jesse will follow up.

* + 1. ISO rating:

No news, this item will be removed from the agenda.

* + 1. New Type 3 Engine Update:

No update.

* 1. CalPers Contract:

Jesse looked into health benefits as requested, and found that they are separate from the pension plan. There is no need to revise the actuarial valuation in consideration of future healthcare provided by the District. Mark moved to approve the actuarial valuation contract, and Dawnmarie seconded the motion. The motion passed by all present.

1. New Business:
   1. FY 26 budget

Jesse is preparing a budget draft to be presented at the June meeting.

1. Chief’s Report:

Jesse applied for the Cal Fire grant which would be a 50% match for approximately $16,000 in PPE. PG&E will announce their grant awardees in June, so no word on that funding. Jesse deposited $65K for the palisades incident and $30K for the airport fire.

Brush 23 is back from the paint shop and looking good. It will be in service once decals are installed, but Volunteers are already training with it. The Madison command vehicle is in service now. Jesse reports that he is interested in an older brush/squad owned by Elkhorn Fire – he will send them an interest letter and see if this unit is surplus.

Jesse is continuing to work on solutions for CR 40 access and hopes that it may be improved enough for emergency access prior to fire season.

Jesse reports that he recently finished an ICS 400 class, and will be taking a 4 day Strike Team Leader class next week. Firefighter Miller recently took an S290 class. We have 3 prescribed/training burns coming up in the Capay Valley.

Jesse reports that the County Chiefs’ Association will be discussing the no burn day protocol at the upcoming meeting following a high wind day which caused Capay Valley and Elkhorn Fire to cancel controlled burning County-wide. Additionally on the admin side, it appears that Yolo never processed our January budget revision, and we have still not seen a deposit of our benefit assessment funds, though the County match has been provided without incident.

14 calls in March, 17 in April. We had the first grass fire of the season this past weekend, and were able to get 5 engines out simultaneously on two different incidents.

1. Firefighters’ Association:

Looking forward to 4th of July

1. Other Agenda Items:

None.

1. Review Budget and Approve Payment of Bills:

The Board reviewed the current claims, a motion to pay the bills was made by Dawnmarie, seconded by Mark and was passed by all present.

1. Meeting Adjournment:

Dawnmarie moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:58 pm. Seconded by Caleb and passed by all present.

Judith Redmond, Chairman \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Jesse Capitanio, Secretary\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_