

PENN VALLEY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
PENN VALLEY, CALIFORNIA
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
June 13, 2006

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Penn Valley Fire Protection District was called to order by Chairman Grundel at 6:30 P.M. at Station 43. Chief Vander Plaats led the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call was taken.

PRESENT

Directors: Kurt Grundel, Randy Casto, Roberto Garcia, and Hank Weston

Absent: Bob Webster

Others: Chief Vander Plaats, B. Faletti, firefighters, auxiliary members and members of the public

Secretary-Clerk: Debbie Hughes

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Chuck Glahn asked if the facilities committee was still meeting. It was explained that a roster has already been established and the next meeting is Thursday.

CONSENT CALENDAR

R. Garcia motioned to approve the consent calendar. H. Weston seconded. Motion unanimously carried.

NEVADA COUNTY FIRE CHIEF'S ASSOCIATION

Chief Vander Plaats reported:

- The Nevada County Fire Plan was discussed at the May meeting. Tony Clarabut would like to see support on the plan from all the fire districts.
- He didn't attend the June meeting.

NEVADA COUNTY FIRE AGENCY

K. Grundel reported:

- Mid-July there will be an EMD training (emergency medical dispatch) meeting to update personnel.
- The preliminary budget was passed.

LAFCO

H. Weston reported:

- The preliminary budget passed with an increase of rent from Nevada County.
- Donner Summit and Truckee Fire consolidated for fire purposes only.

PENN VALLEY FIREFIGHTERS ASSOCIATION

John Pelonio reported:

- They elected new members; President – Kristy Alward, Vice- President -Birken Vogt, Treasurer – Anders Arne, Secretary – Evelyn Mehrkens
- There will be a breakfast on Father’s Day.

FACILITY COMMITTEE REPORT

See public comments above.

CHIEF’S REPORT

See report in packet.

PRELIMINARY BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2006/07

There were questions about the miscellaneous items. Chief Vander Plaats explained that he was putting more monies into each category instead of in contingency. That way when things need to be purchased that weren’t budgeted for; they can be taken out of the correct category. Per Chief Vander Plaats the contract we have with Wildwood Resolution for \$225,000 is to offset the impact the development will cause. We will still be collecting mitigation fees. We will be receiving ½ of that money soon and it may be used for operating. After more discussion R. Casto motioned to approve the preliminary budget for 2006/07. (Operating: \$1,402,401. Building and Equipment: \$305,200. Impact: \$656,000.). R. Garcia seconded. Motion carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: H. Weston, R. Casto, K. Grundel, and R. Garcia. NOES: one. ABSENT: B. Webster. ABSTAIN: None.

RESOLUTION 2006-05 ADOPTION OF 10-YEAR CAPITAL OUTLAY PROGRAM

H. Weston objected to the line items for training facilities and the purchase of additional land for Station 43; he didn’t think they should be in the plan. Chief Vander Plaats explained that the 10 Year Plan is a guideline that by law must be adopted annually, it doesn’t mean we will have all of that money or be spending it. R. Casto motioned to adopt Resolution 2006-05. R. Garcia seconded. Motion carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: R. Casto, K. Grundel, and R. Garcia. NOES: H. Weston. ABSENT: B. Webster. ABSTAIN: None.

RESOLUTION 2006-02 CALLING GENERAL ELECTION FOR 2 DIRECTORS AND NOTICE OF ELECTION TO BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 7, 2006

D. Hughes explained that this is Standard Operating Procedure for calling a general election of 2 members for the District Board to have on the ballot for the November 7, 2006 election. The Notice of Election is for the County Elections office to place this on the ballot. R. Garcia motioned to approve Resolution 2006-02. H. Weston seconded. Motion carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: H. Weston, R. Casto, K. Grundel, and R. Garcia. NOES: None. ABSENT: B. Webster. ABSTAIN: None

1. RESOLUTION 2006-10 Annual Appropriation Limitation for Fiscal Year 2006/07
2. RESOLUTION 2006-03 Calling an Election Requesting Voter Approval for an Increase in The Spending Limit Under Proposition 4 at An Election to be Held on November 7, 2006
3. RESOLUTION 2006-04 Approval for Annual Spending Authority for Fiscal Year 2006/07

B. Faletti explained that all of the above resolutions are related. 2006-10 defines the Gann Spending Limit for Fiscal Year 2006/07 at \$215,726.20. This is the amount of money in operating the District would have to spend if 2006-03 doesn't pass. 2006-03 asks the voters if they will let the District spend the money they have been authorized to collect. 2006-04 authorizes the District to spend \$1,500,000 for Fiscal Year 2006/07 as long as 2006-03 passes at the November 7, 2006 election. If it doesn't pass 2006-04 will need to be rescinded. R. Garcia motioned to approve all three resolutions. H. Weston seconded. Motion carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: H. Weston, R. Casto, K. Grundel, and R. Garcia. NOES: None. ABSENT: B. Webster. ABSTAIN: None

RESOLUTION 2006-06 AND 2006-07 AUTHORIZING AUDITOR AND TAX COLLECTOR TO COLLECT FIRE BENEFIT ASSESSMENT FEE AND SPECIAL RESCUE TAX

B. Faletti said this must be done annually to authorize the tax collector to collect our taxes. H. Weston motioned to approve Resolution 2006-06 and 2006-07. R. Garcia seconded. Motion carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: H. Weston, R. Casto, K. Grundel, and R. Garcia. NOES: None. ABSENT: B. Webster. ABSTAIN: None. The board must have a public hearing that's been noticed to discuss the possibility of a COLA of up to 3% being added to the benefit tax assessment. The Board directed the Chief to have the data available for the basis of an increase. D. Hughes will notice The Union and this will be discussed at the July board meeting. Chief Vander Plaats brought to the board's attention that when the \$47 rescue fee was put in place it was meant to be charged for each dwelling. We haven't been charging \$47 for each dwelling; only \$47 per parcel. This comes up as an exception on the County tax roll and we would have to ask them to add these, or handbill them. H. Weston thought that we should give the people with multiple dwellings enough time to know they will be billed for these beginning next year. He recommended getting a letter out to all these homeowners and letting them know they will be billed next year, but to not bill them this year. The board concurred.

RESOLUTION 2006-08 ADOPTION OF NEVADA COUNTY 2006 MULTI-JURISDICTION MULTI-HAZARD MITIGATION PROGRAM

Chief Vander Plaats reported that the purpose of this is to reduce or eliminate long-term risk to people and property from hazards and their effect. There is a grant available from the County so if the district/jurisdictional areas consolidate they would send the program to FEMA for adoption. If adopted the Nevada County Operational Area Services Council will be responsible to implement and maintain the plan. R. Garcia motioned to approve Resolution 2006-08. H. Weston seconded. Motion carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: H. Weston, R. Casto, K. Grundel, and R. Garcia. NOES: None. ABSENT: B. Webster. ABSTAIN: None

RESOLUTION 2006-09 NOMINATION OF SPECIAL DISTRICT MEMBER TO THE NEVADA COUNTY LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION (LAFCo) TERM TO EXPIRE MAY 2010

R. Casto suggested that K. Grundel be nominated. K. Grundel said he'd be happy accept the nomination so the suggestion was made into a motion. H. Weston seconded. Motion carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: H. Weston, R. Casto, K. Grundel, and R. Garcia. NOES: None. ABSENT: B. Webster. ABSTAIN: None

NEVADA COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICT #1 PROPOSED SEWER CHARGE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2006/07

Nevada County Sanitation is considering an increase of \$230 (\$720 to \$950) per EDU for connected EDUs. The District has three. A hearing will be held on June 27, 2006. If the Board protests this amount a letter must be submitted by the hearing date. R. Casto motioned to protest this increase and send a letter to the Sanitation District. R. Garcia seconded. Motion carried. The Sanitation District also sent out a ballot proposing an increase of \$84 (\$161 to \$245) per EDU for standby EDUs. The District has six. R. Casto motioned to oppose the increase on the ballot. R. Garcia seconded. Motion carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: H. Weston, R. Casto, K. Grundel, and R. Garcia. NOES: None. ABSENT: B. Webster. ABSTAIN: None

STATION 43 APPARATUS BAY BID UPDATE

Battalion Chief Wagner said it has been hard obtaining bids due to prevailing wages that must be included, but they have received three. They should have everything ready for a decision to be made at the July board meeting.

JULY BOARD MEETING DATE

The July board meeting lands on July 4th, so the board concurred to hold it July 11, 2006. D. Hughes will contact B. Webster.

At 8:30 the board took a recess.

CLOSED SESSION

AT 8:40 pm the board resumed and went into closed session pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6 Labor Negotiations.

ACTION FROM CLOSED SESSION

K. Grundel announced the Labor Negotiators R. Casto and B. Webster were given direction from the board to meet again with the employees with the board's proposals.

ADJOURNMENT The board adjourned at 10:41 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Debbie Hughes
Secretary to the Board