

NEWCASTLE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
September 10, 2012
Special Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
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Call to Order:

- Chairman Lewis called the NFPD Board of Directors Meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

Roll Call:

- Chairman Lewis present, Vice- Chairman Stearns present, Secretary Calkins present, Director Orsolini present, and Director Poore present.

Pledge of Allegiance:

- Chairman Lewis led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Discussion/Information/Action:

- Letter Received from Placer County CBO Regarding the Condition of Station 41
 - Chairman Lewis read the letter received from Tim Wegner dated 9/5/2012 aloud.
 - VC Stearns reported that he called Arthur Ross, the engineer that previously shored up the building. VC Stearns asked him to re-evaluate the building in May, 2011. Mr. Ross declined.
 - VC Stearns also stated that his recollection from the time of the previous building repairs was that it would cost approximately \$900K to repair the existing station.
 - Chairman Lewis read aloud from previous Board minutes about the discussions and information that Board had regarding the building.
 - Secretary Calkins reported that he spoke to Tim Wegner regarding the issue. Mr. Wegner indicated that he was acting on complaints received. It is Secretary Calkins' opinion that Mr. Wegner wants to work with the Board to come up with a solution.
 - Director Poore stated that according to the letter we need to get an engineer to look at the existing building.
 - Director Orsolini stated that the Board is committed to providing fire service to Newcastle.
 - Chairman Lewis asked the Board if they thought it was prudent to spend more tax dollars on the existing building.

Public Comment

- **The meeting became a question and answer period between the Board and the public.**
- The following person(s) provided comment(s) during this period:
 - Terri Andreucci
 - Dave Ward
 - Ron Harmon
 - Don West
 - Richard Mohlzahn
 - Jerald Saladana
 - Joni Elder
 - Bill Fawx
 - Elinor Petuskey
 - Gregg Isett
 - Dot Shiro
 - Heather Waterbury
 - Tim Compton
 - Melinda Moine
 - Glenda Freeman
 - John Brassfield
 - Bob Powers
 - Kathleen Daugherty
 - Vicki Perkins Martinez
- Kathleen Daugherty recommended to the Board that a committee be formed to look for an engineer that will come in and evaluate the existing building. The committee could be comprised of one Board member, one member of the public, Battalion Chief Love and a Firefighter of his choice.

Discussion/Information/Action: (Re-opened after PC)

- Chairman Lewis asked Director Poore if he would serve as the Board member on the committee. Mr. Poore agreed. Chairman Lewis asked for a volunteer from the public, Richard Mohlzahn agreed. BC Love will choose a Firefighter to serve with him as well. It was suggested that Gary Fay would also be a good choice from the public. Mr. Fay agreed to join the committee.
- Chairman Lewis asked if an RFP was required for this. Kathleen Daugherty responded that it was not.

Announcements

- NFPD REGULAR Board Meeting, Thursday, September 13th, 6:30p, Newcastle Elementary School, STAFF ROOM

Meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Minutes Prepared By:

Minutes Approved By:

Patrice Metz, Clerk

Yvonne Lewis, Chairman of the Board

Statement by Chairman Lewis Regarding Feasibility Study

Board members, this item addresses the current status of our Feasibility Study.

As the study has progressed on the Indian Hill Road site, our contractor MFDB Architects also learned about the alternative R&S Properties site off of Glenview Road, one that was always on our short list of site considerations. You'll recall that the ground lease for this site was higher than the Indian Hill site, and because we are looking to minimize taxpayer costs, we chose to look at that site.

As Phase One of the study has progressed, MFDB is proposing that we look at two sites along Glenview. Much of the information they have developed for the Indian Hill site, such as the topographical maps, setback requirements, and traffic - also applies for the Glenview sites.

The Glenview sites may have cost-effective advantages over the Indian Hill site, though that will need to be confirmed by the consultants. MFDB has offered to look at the additional two sites for \$4,500. To date, we have expended \$6,000 for Phase I work and, with this additional work; it would bring the current total for work completed under the feasibility study to \$10,500. The requested amount is very reasonable and MFDB assures me they will be able to complete the work for presentation at our regular Board meeting of Oct 11. As this additional information will guide us in making an important decision for the community, I would suggest we approve this amount.