

EL DORADO HILLS COUNTY WATER DISTRICT

EIGHT HUNDRED SEVENTY THIRD MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Thursday, August 17, 2023, 5:30 p.m.

District Office, 1050 Wilson Boulevard, El Dorado Hills, CA 95762

I. CALL TO ORDER

President Giraudo called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Directors in attendance: Durante, Giraudo, and White. Directors Bennett and Hartley were absent. Staff in attendance: Chief Johnson and Director of Finance Braddock. Counsel Cook was also in attendance.

II. CLOSED SESSION

- A. Closed Session pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(D)(1): Conference with legal counsel regarding existing litigation: Thomas and Helen Austin v. The County of El Dorado, et. al.; El Dorado County Superior Court Case No. 21050633**
- B. Closed Session pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6; Conference with Labor Negotiators; items under negotiation: Memorandum of Understanding with the El Dorado Hills Professional Firefighters pertaining to wages and benefits; Agency Designated Representatives: Finance Committee, Directors Giraudo and White, Chief Johnson; Employee Organization: El Dorado Hills Professional Firefighters, Local 3604**
- C. Closed Session pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6, conference with labor negotiators; items under negotiation: Contracts with unrepresented employees pertaining to wages and benefits; District negotiator is Chief Johnson**

The Board adjourned to closed session at 5:30 p.m.

The meeting reconvened at 6:26 p.m. No action was taken in Closed Session.

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

IV. CONSENT CALENDAR

- A. Approve Minutes of the 869th Board Meeting held July 20, 2023**
- B. Approve Minutes of the 870th Special Board Meeting held August 2, 2023**
- C. Approve Minutes of the 871st Special Board Meeting held August 7, 2023**
- D. Approve Financial Statements and Check Register for July 2023**

Director White made a motion to approve the Consent Calendar, seconded by Director Durante and unanimously carried.

V. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

- E. EDH Professional Firefighters – Vice-President Hemstalk expressed the Union's support for Director Hartley in his recovery.**

- F. **EDH Firefighters Association** – None
- G. **Public Comment** – None

VI. **CORRESPONDENCE** – None

- VII. **ATTORNEY ITEMS** – Counsel Cook advised that he is making progress on resolving Ms. Richmond’s property tax issue.

VIII. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- A. **Administrative Committee (Directors Durante and Bennett)** – No report.
- B. **Finance Committee (Directors White and Giraud)** – No report.
- C. **Joint Powers Authority (Directors Giraud and White)** – Chief Johnson reported that the JPA put out an RFP for Medic 89 and they will be interviewing candidates for the open Executive Director position.
- D. **Communications (Ad-Hoc) (Directors Hartley and Durante)** – No report.
- E. **CRR Services (Ad-Hoc) (Directors Hartley and White)** – No report.
- F. **Ambulance Deployment (Ad-Hoc) (Directors Giraud and White)** – Chief Johnson reported that Staff has begun conversations with the Cameron Park CSD Board about the current state of the ambulance and fire services in their District.

IX. **FIRE CHIEF’S REPORT** - Chief Johnson reported the following to the Board:

- Captain Anselmo celebrated 25 years with the Department and Firefighter McMurtry passed probation.
- Staff had met with both with Assemblyman Patterson and Congressman McClintock about the needs in our District.
- The 8/11 drill with PG&E went very well.
- Staff is working through the Station 91 septic system issue.

X. **OPERATIONS REPORT**

- A. **Operations Report (Receive and File)** – Chief Hall reported the success of the July 3rd event, and added that the crews have been training daily at the new training facility and it has been a great resource.

XI. **COMMUNITY RISK REDUCTION REPORT**

- A. **CRRD Report** – Chief Fields presented a report showing the CRRD data for the month of July, mentioned the success of the builders’ workshop, and commended the CERT team on their participation in the PG&E event.

XII. **FISCAL ITEMS**

- A. **Review and approve Audit Engagement Letter for the 2022-23 Fiscal Year** – Accounting Specialist Selling presented the Audit Engagement Letter, requesting approval to move forward with Richardson & Company for the 2022-23 FY audit.

Director White made a motion to approve Audit Engagement Letter for the 2022-23 Fiscal Year, seconded by Director Durante, and unanimously carried.

- B. **Review the 2022-23 SAS 114 Governance Letter (Receive and File) –**
Received and filed.

XIII. NEW BUSINESS

XIV. OLD BUSINESS

- A. **Training Facility Update** – Chief Hall reported that the street monument signs are being installed, the crews are using the facility daily, and PG&E provided some great props for future training.
- B. **EDHCSD/EDHFD 2x2 update (Directors Bennett and Durante) –** No report.

XV. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

- A. **Directors** – Director Durante complimented Chief Fields on her great work with the community and stated that he will not be at the September meeting. Director Giraudo complimented Engine 84 on their care and response to Director Hartley's accident.
- B. **Staff** – Chief Johnson echoed Director Giraudo's compliments to the crews that responded to Director Hartley's home and expressed the District's support to Director Hartley's family. He added that a Cameron Park 2x2 ad-hoc committee was established and will be added to future agendas to keep the Board updated.

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Approved:



John Giraudo, President



Jessica Braddock, Board Secretary

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