

GOLD MOUNTAIN COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday September 6, 2022 @ 8:00am

A. CALL TO ORDER

President Curtis called the meeting to order at 8:20 am.

B. ROLL CALL

Directors Bennie, Kogge, St. Pierre, Vice-President Seney and President Curtis responded to the roll call. Director St. Pierre participated virtually.

C. ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Acquisition of Used Utility Truck

General Manager Rich McLaughlin reported that CSD staff looked at a used truck which they felt would suit the needs of the District as a replacement for the QAV. He explained that used vehicles are currently in high demand and once one is found that meets your specifications being able to make an immediate purchase is necessary. He requested the Board consider approval for staff to spend up to a set amount of funds on a vehicle so there would not be a need to return to the Board for approval after finding the vehicle. He also noted that the funds would come from the PG&E settlement that the District had received, these funds are available to be used for fire equipment and training.

Board members agreed that there is a need for the District to replace the QAV, but also wanted to make sure there was agreement on the specifications necessary.

President Curtis asked if there was a deadline to spend the PG&E funds. Mr. McLaughlin noted that he had not been given a deadline but was told the funds would be audited at some point to ensure they were spent properly.

There was further discussion relating to future costs of insurance, accessories, and maintenance for the truck. How much water it should be able to hold and how much time additional water would give a fire cadre prior to arrival of professional firefighters.

After further discussion it was the consensus of the Board to revisit the matter after the Fire workshop.

2. Contract for Fire Protection and EMS Services

President Curtis reported that a RFQ was sent to Graeagle Fire Protection District (GFPD) and Beckwourth Fire Department (BFD). A response was received from BFD and no response was received from GFPD. Board members felt the two options presented by BFD were both at a higher rate than they felt was necessary and discussed the options open to the Board at this time.

Ms. Curtis indicated she felt the options were to keep the current contact with Eastern Plumas Rural Fire Protection District (EPRFPD), negotiate with BFD or chose one of the options presented by BFD.

There was a brief discussion relating to the District's requirement to provide fire service and how LAFCo may play a role in any negotiations.

After further discussion it was the consensus of the Board to direct the Fire Protection Committee to negotiate with BFD and to talk with EPRFPD and LAFCo about continuing the current contract.

The meeting was adjourned to closed session at 9:50 am

D. CLOSED SESSION

1. Public Employee Appointment – General Manager

The meeting was reconvened to open session at 11:17am

E. REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION

It was moved by Vice-President Seney, seconded by President Curtis to direct the Executive Committee to review the General Manager job description and move forward with interviewing the internal candidate for the position, Skyler Allingham, convert the General Manager position to full-time, develop a job description for a Treasurer and have these items available for consideration at the November meeting. Under roll call vote all members present voted in favor.

President Curtis then reported that she had distributed a letter of resignation to the District and Board members. She will be resigning from the Board effective December 31, 2022, and until that time would continue to work on finalizing the tasks she is currently working on. Ms. Curtis thanked the Board and staff for their support.

F. ADJOURN:

The meeting was adjourned at 11:27am.