



TOWN OF DISCOVERY BAY CSD

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MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE TOWN OF DISCOVERY BAY CSD

MONDAY, June 21, 2010 at 6:30p.m.
Discovery Bay Elementary School Gym
1700 Willow Lake Road, Discovery Bay, California

SPECIAL MEETING at 6:30p.m.

A. ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 6:30p.m. President Graves then led the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll Call reflected that all directors were present. President Graves thanked School District Superintendent Eric Prater and his staff for allowing the district to hold the meeting at the school and to all those community members who came to the meeting on such short notice.

B. EAST CONTRA COSTA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT (ECCFPD) BUDGET ISSUES

1. Presentation by ECCFPD Representative Chris Finetti / Interim Fire Chief Hugh Henderson – Chris Finetti opened the meeting by introducing Chief Henderson who gave a PowerPoint Presentation showing the budget breakdown, response times, and other items that are used in determining the upcoming fire district budget. He indicated that the district receives approximately ninety percent (90%) of its revenue from Property Taxes. Due to the economy, they have lost approximately twenty-five percent (25%) of their budget for the current fiscal year and anticipate an additional ten percent (10%) decline for the 2010/2011 fiscal year, for a thirty-five percent (35%) total decrease in revenue. Chris Finetti closed the presentation by stating that although he voted against the six (6) station scenario that was presented at the last meeting, he has a feeling that is the way the district majority will vote. He also said that he has tried to suggest that the fire district visit revenue enhancement as an alternative to closing stations, but the majority of the fire district board has been unresponsive to that option. President Graves asked about the district reserves and if it is for emergencies, why it can not be used to provide emergency services to the residents. Chief Henderson stated that they are using reserves and will have to use more in upcoming years. Director Piepho noted that by closing two (2) stations, the savings is only about \$70,000, which is a very small portion of the budget. He also believes that revenue enhancement will work if brought to the public before closing stations. Treasurer Dawson voiced his concern

about closing stations in Discovery Bay by stating if there was a boating accident, a medical emergency, and a fire, the response times from stations coming from out of the area would be way too high. Vice-President Simon is concerned that the fire district board has already made up their mind on the subject. Director Tetreault said that this district has gone backwards since it was East Diablo Fire. He stated that the district needs to keep eight (8) stations open and seek revenue enhancement.

2. Public Comment (Three (3) minute time limit) – Residents Bob Schwenke, Sandra Rogers, Mark Doran, Walter MacVittie, Jennifer Finetti, Lowell Thomas, Al Bello, Lou Erickson, and Gil Somerhalder spoke about their concerns with the ECCFPD closing stations. President Graves thanked all the residents for attending, Jim Mattison for helping set up, and to the Lion’s Club for allowing him to talk at their recent concert event. Director Piepho said to please give the people the right to vote. Treasurer Dawson asked people to spread the word that the next ECCFPD meeting is on June 29, 2010 at 6:30p.m. at the Oakley Town Center. Vice-President Simon also asked people to please encourage others to attend the meeting.

3. Board Position and Possible Action – Director Piepho made a motion to direct all Board Members to attend the next ECCFPD meeting. Treasurer Dawson 2nd the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 5 ayes, 0 nos, 0 abstain.

C. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 7:50p.m. to the next Regular Meeting of July 7, 2010 starting at 7:00p.m. at 1800 Willow Lake Rd – Located in back of the Delta Presbyterian Church.

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