

**ALBION LITTLE RIVER FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES**

Tuesday, July 26, 2011, 7:30 pm, Station 810, 33900 West Street (behind Albion Grocery), Albion, CA

Call to order and determination of a quorum: Meeting was called to order by President Alan Taeger at 7:33pm. Present were Rich Riley, Ed Petrykowski, Ken Matheson and Terry Kemp. Chief Jeff Wall, Ted Williams and Marshall Brown represented the Fire Department.

Public communication to the board: None.

Previous meeting minutes: The minutes of the June 28, 2011 regular business meeting were approved by unanimous vote of the board on a motion by Ken.

Fire chief's report:

Incident report: The department has been running a medium amount of medical calls and other miscellaneous calls this month: Medical Aid -6; Water Rescue -3; Traffic Collisions -3; Smoke Check -1; Public Assist -2; Total -15.

Fund raising: BBQ went well. The accounting is not finished for a total income but we did make some money and it was a great community event this year.

Fire dept. report: As noted in last month's report we are seeing an increase in traffic collisions in the area and with the department. Water related calls have gone up too. Most of the radios have been re-programmed by Ted and Marshall. Our next mission along with training is to clean up the stations and get things organized. We will be creating an office space at station 811 where the officers and myself can conduct fire department business.

Fire dept. operational needs: Water tender replacement: I have been shopping for a replacement vehicle and am currently waiting to get some bids back from vendors. We are close to making our order for the fire shelters and gear (ppe). The department has some mixed feelings about the purchase of a costly vehicle but I have explained to them that with the ageing fleet that we have we will need to replace an engine soon and it will be cost prohibitive to purchase an attack tender.

Vehicle Maintenance: 8162 is in service with a new tank level gauge. We have a few of the rigs that need some wiring issues to be addressed and hope to fix mostly in house.

Other: The department has recruited one new person and she should be responding before the end of the month. I'm very happy with the way the calls have been running and see some positive movement in the department in that aspect of our job. The County fire Chiefs are actively working on the Cal Fire Fee issue and lobbying against the potential impact on local fire departments and their special districts or the future need of the development for such districts. Covelo Fire has offered us some good turnouts and I will be in contact with their chief on that subject soon. They had a grant for new turnouts. Chief Jeff Wall 8100

Communications to the board: 7/5/11 - Received survey request from J. D. Powers & Associates for evaluation of Waste Management Inc. services; 7/11/11 - Alan made contact by phone with ATT long distance services and cancelled long distance service at Station 812 (937 0772); 7/15/11 - Received notification from PG&E that smart meters are to be installed at Stations 810 (Albion), 812 (Little River), & 815 (Navarro Ridge); 7/15/11 - Received notification from John Chiang, California State Controller that the notification to prepare 2010-2011 Special District Financial Transactions Report will soon be coming; 7/18/11 - Received quarterly investment report from county treasurer.

Financial report: Current financial statements for the district were presented. Alan reported that he spoke with the county auditor's office and requested information about when implementation of the new state regulations regarding the district's revolving fund would take place. The auditor was unaware of the new regulations and said he would investigate and get back to Alan with the information.

Committee reports:

New fire station committee. The encroachment permit has been paid for.

Vehicle committee. See Fire Chief's report

Special tax update committee. No report.

Directors' discussion: The board discussed the new state Cal Fire fee and the possible impact that it will have in the community.

Next meeting schedule: Tuesday, August 30, 2011, 7:30 pm.
Adjournment: meeting adjourned at 9:10pm.

Minutes approved as presented by unanimous vote of the board at the August 30, 2011 regular business meeting.