

MINUTES

**FIVE CITIES FIRE AUTHORITY
BOARD MEETING
FRIDAY, APRIL 17, 2020
CITY OF GROVER BEACH COUNCIL CHAMBERS
154 SOUTH EIGHTH STREET
GROVER BEACH, CALIFORNIA**

Due to the County of San Luis Obispo's Executive Order to shelter at home and Pursuant to the Governor's Executive Order N-25-20, members of the Board and staff participated in this meeting via a video conference. Members of the public were invited to participate in the meeting electronically by submitting public comments to the Clerk to the Board at tmeyers@fivecitiesfire.org.

CALL TO ORDER:

Chair White called the Five Cities Fire Authority (FCFA) Board meeting to order at 10:04 a.m.

FLAG SALUTE:

Chair White led the Flag Salute.

ROLL CALL:

FCFA Board: Chair Karen White, Vice Chair Keith Storton and Board Member Jeff Lee.

FCFA Staff Present: Fire Chief Stephen Lieberman, General Counsel Dave Hale and Clerk to the Board Tricia Meyers.

AGENDA REVIEW:

Action: Vice Chair Storton moved, Board Member Lee seconded, and the motion passed unanimously to approve the Five Cities Fire Authority's Agenda by a voice vote.

AYES: Storton, Lee, White

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Consideration of Approval of Minutes (MEYERS)

Action: Approved the minutes of the Board Meeting on February 21, 2020, 2019 with a voice vote.

AYES: Storton, Lee, White

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

COMMUNITY COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS:

None.

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. Consideration of Cash Disbursement Activity.

Action: Received and filed the listing of cash disbursements for the period of February 1, 2020 through March 31, 2020.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

None.

CONTINUED BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

None.

BOARD MEMBER ITEMS:

None.

GENERAL COUNSEL ITEMS:

None.

FIRE CHIEF ITEMS:

- a. Chief Lieberman reported that 10% of the current EMS calls are potential COVID-19 cases. The department has been tracking expenditures that are COVID-19 related. The out of pocket costs are approximately \$6,000 as of right now. Five Cities Fire Authority will submit these costs for reimbursement.
- b. Chief Lieberman will be meeting with a potential consultant to assist with the calculation of the PERS liability. The scope of the work will be discussed so an estimate can be given. Calculating assets and liabilities is a requirement of the Memorandum of Agreement(MOA).
- c. The total budget amount for next fiscal year will stay the same in accordance with the MOA, however line item amounts will be adjusted as needed.
- d. Chief Lieberman introduced Mike Stevens. Mike is the new Administrative Services Director for the City of Arroyo Grande and Five Cities Fire Authority Treasurer.

BOARD COMMUNICATIONS:

Vice Chair Storton requested a monthly update regarding any information related to the Memorandum of Agreement. Chair White reported that a discussion regarding Five Cities Fire Authority will be on Oceano Community Services District's next agenda. Board Member Lee suggested having the MOA as a standing item on the agenda. Chief Lieberman agreed to put it under Fire Chief items.

CLOSED SESSION:

The Board adjourned to a Closed Session at 10:16 a.m. concerning the following items:

- a. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS** pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6:

Agency Negotiators: Che Johnson – Law Firm of Liebert Cassidy Whitmore
Nicole Valentine – Accounting Manager – Arroyo Grande
Karla Mattocks – Human Resources Coordinator-Grover Beach
Lisa Christensen – Human Resources Manager-Arroyo Grande

Represented Employees: International Association of Fire Fighters (IAFF) Local 4403

- b. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION.** Consistent with Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of California Government Code Section 54956.9:

Name of case: Boyer v. Five Cities Fire Authority, City of Arroyo Grande, Steve Lieberman 18CV-0438

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION:

Chief Lieberman called the meeting back to order at 10:56 a.m. with no reportable action.

ADJOURNMENT:

Chair White adjourned the meeting at 10:56 a.m. The next Board meeting is scheduled for May 15, 2020, at 10:00 a.m. at the City of Grover Beach Council Chambers, 154 South Eighth Street, Grover Beach, California.

/s/ Karen White, Chair

ATTEST:

/s/ Tricia Meyers, Clerk to the Board

(Approved at Board Meeting on 05/15/2020)