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Southern Marin Fire Protection District Emergency & Disaster Preparedness Meeting Tuesday, August 11, 2020 – 07:30 am – Headquarters

Director Peter Fleming – Chair

Director Tom Perazzo

Alternate: Director Cristine DeBerry

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER: 07:34 A.M (by Director Fleming).

In Attendance:

BOARD: *Via Zoom Meeting:* Director Fleming *In person:* Director Perazzo.

STAFF: *In Person:* Fire Chief Tubbs, Chief Welch, Chief/Fire Marshall Hilliard, Chief Peterson, and Clerk of the Board Mariya Weinberg.

Absent: none

2. OPEN TIME FOR PUBLIC EXPRESSION:

No public present in person or online.

3. AGENDA ADJUSTMENTS:

None.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Emergency & Disaster Preparedness Committee Meeting Minutes July 14, 2020.

Motion to approve:

M/S Perazzo/Fleming

Aye: Perazzo, Fleming

5. Reports and Information

5.a Measure C Update – verbal report

The agreement for the District to provide financial and administrative services to MWPA was approved at the last Board of Directors meeting. Since that approval, Ms. Schiffman has been getting financial infrastructure set up. This include things like EIN, State Payroll ID, checking account, etc... SMFD Amin Aide Ms. Weinberg has met with MWPA interim director, President of the Board, and Chief Jason Weber to go over Board packet creation and timelines. This year in the adopted budget, the Measure U program funded the four new Defensible Space Inspectors, as well as the LRAD system. We will wait to pursue LRAD until we receive our disbursement of tax funds in December, but we are pursuing hiring the

defensible space inspectors. Chief Hilliard has started that process with HR. Director Fleming asked for any questions. There were none.

5.b Sausalito and Mill Valley Mask Program

Chief Welch updated the Committee and asked if there is any interest in pursuing this project. City of Sausalito has a branded mask that they will sell as part of their fundraising efforts. In Mill Valley, the Emergency Preparedness Commission and the Chamber of Commerce partnership raised about \$5k to buy about 1500 masks. These go out to the Chamber members, but the unincorporated businesses are left out, except for a few that are also Chamber members. We do have some budget in EDPC to get a SMFPD logo masks and posters #MaskUpMillValley for the businesses to put up. The Chamber would distribute them. Chief Welch's department can provide \$2,500 and looking for another \$2,500 in funds from SMFD.

Director Fleming and Director Perazzo are in support of this proposal. Will help businesses and demographics who may not have income to buy masks, and encourage to wear masks.

Chief Tubbs proposed for Staff to identify a source of \$2,500 in the budget, will share with the committee, and then propose to the full Board of Directors. Chief Welch to work on getting a design/get a mock ups.

Chief Welch also said he will try to get support from the Rotary club.

5.c Tamalpais Valley Neighborhood Response Group Update

Chief Welch and Chief Tubbs had a meeting with a few Tamalpais residents, who are very interested in organizing neighborhood groups, including Pam Keon and Maggie Lang. We want to encourage ERGs. However, we don't really have resources, as things are, to fully support a program like that. One possibility could be a shared staff person, for example like the one in the Central Marin area. Right now, we can support printing and minor purchases to get block captains up to speed. We have been working on nrgmillvalley.org website, which covers all of unincorporated Mill Valley 94941. In the future we would expect to include Sausalito. Chief Welch had a meeting with Pam Keon, Ted Barone, Olivia Jacobs all of whom wanted to know what areas and what can we support. We have set up nrg@smfd.org email, which we plan to equip with auto-reply that would automatically send out useful information. Maggie Lang will handle some of the initial meetings and contacts. We don't want to get ahead of ourselves, so we want to move forward in a pilot fashion. Mill Valley NRG will have about 7000 or so residents that would be broken down into clusters supported by block captains.

Chief Tubbs said we definitely don't want to discourage community interest, but keep in mind that we also have a CERT program that we are trying to expand across all of Marin, so we have to budget our resources. Sometimes NRG requests exceed resources, and we do need to come up with a strategy to set things up for success. Something to investigate is how the District can play a coordination role or partner with other agencies. Chief Welch particularly pointed out the Southern Manor NRG in the area near Edna McGuire School, which straddles Mill Valley and the District. Ashley Raveche is leading that effort. We also have NRGs in Mill Valley in Cascade Canyon and Scott Valley, and Tam Valley has a big effort. There is a Cal Student that will hopefully assist in populating the map on our web site, and Chief Welch also reached out to Santa Rosa JC for additional resources/intern.

Director Perazzo mentioned that on August 6th we got an email from a Mill Valley resident Michelle Van Dera of 5 Ridge Ave asking about emergency plans/evacuation routes. Chief Welch said we have that info

on the District and Mill Valley website. Chief Welch said he'd check and also that McKenna is working on getting them re-printed and mailed out again. Also, Sausalito is being added. We are also working on Strawberry and Tiburon. So, the whole area will be covered, and the maps mailed out. Director Perazzo said he'd send Ms. Van Dera some information.

Director Fleming asked if we were looking for any specific guidance on NRGs. Chief Tubbs responded that it was just an update. The Directors will also have this information to share with the community in case they have any questions, and to be aware that a discussion about NRG coordinator is happening, so there are no surprises.

5.d Southern Marin Disaster Council Summit (Review)

Director Perazzo and Chief Welch spoke about the summit. They particularly mentioned the County Health Department presentation by Doctor Santora about the current situation on COVID-19, and the great information it provided. There was a proposal from the attendees to meet more often, which looks like it will be about every 6 weeks. They also plan to try to get all the participating committee members to attend, not just the chairs or active players, especially to get the younger members involved, and partners in Marin City and floating homes. The floating homes members did not attend the latest summit, so more outreach is needed. Also, shorter agendas, with more in-depth info on each item, are being considered. Turnout was around 15 people, Director Perazzo started it off, then was Doctor Santora's presentation, Chief Welch spoke about evacuation planning, BOAD was there, Maggie Lang talked about NRGs and CERT.

Director Fleming asked if there any sharing of info afterward? Chief Welch & Director Perazzo replied that Doctor Santora had sent out her slide show, and that Maggie was taking notes and Dr. Perazzo can send Director Fleming a copy of Dr. Santora's presentation, and also the notes when Maggie gets them out.

Director Fleming asked if the summit be recorded and short clips recorded on social media or otherwise there, and Chief Welch confirmed that this should be possible.

CLOSED SESSION

There was no closed session at this meeting.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn:

M/S Perazzo/Fleming

Aye: Perazzo/Fleming

Adjourned at 7:59 AM.