



# EL DORADO COUNTY FIRE CHIEFS ASSOCIATION SPECIAL MEETING

## MINUTES

Wednesday, May 25, 2022, 09:00  
Diamond Springs Fire Station 49  
501 Pleasant Valley Road  
Diamond Springs, CA 95619

### Fire Chiefs

- Deputy Chief Mike Lilienthal, EDH Fire (Rescue) **Vice Chair**
- Chief Tim Cordero, ECF Fire **Chair**
- Unit Chief Mike Blankenheim, CAL FIRE AEU
- Asst. Chief Sherry Moranz, CAL FIRE CAM Fire
- Chief Matt Gallagher, DSP Fire **Treasure**
- Chief Maurice Johnson, EDH Fire
- Gary Gerren, FLL Fire
- Chief Wes Norman, GRV Fire
- Chief Glenn Brown, Georgetown Fire
- Chief Brad Zlendick, LAV Fire
- Chief Steve Leighton, NTF Fire
- Chief Jack Rosevear, MQT Fire
- Chief Mark Matthews, PIO Fire,
- Chief Clive Savacool, SLT Fire
- Chief David Whitt, Tribal Fire
- Chief Jay Kurth, USFS
- Deputy Chief Nickie Johnny, USFS
- Asst. Chief Kit Bailey, Cal OES
- Battalion Chief Scott Wylie
- Division Chief David Pereira
- Unit Chief Jeff Mausolous
- Chief Alan Whisler
- Asst. Chief Corey Zander, Cal OES

### Other Attendees

- Battalion Chief Mike Batham, CAL FIRE ECC AE
- Division Chief Paul Lohan
- Deputy Chief Leah Yaws, DSP Fire
- Asst. Chief Linda Szczepanik, GRV Fire
- Sue Henninke, El Dorado County CAO's Office
- Steve Willis, El Dorado County FSC
- Michelle Patterson, El Dorado County EMSA
- Brian Veerkamp, El Dorado County Emergency Services Authority
- Cristy Jorgensen, El Dorado County Emergency Services Authority
- Duane Waddle, CSDA
- Leslie Schlag, EDSO OES
- Troy Morton, EDSO OES
- Jeff Whitlock EDSO OES
- Scott Bare EDSO OES
- Ron Phillips, EDH Fire/El Dorado County FPO

## **Pledge of Allegiance**

1. **Call to Order and Introductions** – Chief Cordero called the meeting to order at 09:00
2. **Public Comments** – Public comments will be received on each agenda item as it is called. The public may address matters not on the agenda at this time. Individual comments will be limited to three (3) minutes. The Board reserves the right to waive said rules by a majority vote.

No public comment.

3. **Approval of Agenda** – Motion to approve – Assistant Chief Szczepanik, Second Cristy Jorgenson
4. **Approval of Minutes** – January 19, 2022 & March 11, 2022  
Motion to approve – Cristy Jorgenson, Second Assistant Chief Szczepanik
5. **Treasurer's Report** – Chief Gallagher provided the current Treasurer's Report. Current balance of \$7,072.71.
6. **Fire Advisory Board** – no report
7. **Fire Insurance Adhoc Committee** - no report

## **8. Old Business**

- 8.1 USFS Agreement Challenges
  - Meeting with McClintock May 5<sup>th</sup>

Chief Cordero gave an update on the meeting with McClintock that took place on May 5<sup>th</sup>.

- 8.2 LAFCO MSR Ad Hoc Committee Update

Chief Cordero stated this agenda item can be removed from future agendas.

- 8.3 TO's 501c(3) follow up –

Chief Lillenthal sent an email to Chief Cordero which he read to the group as an update on the TO's 501c.

- 8.4 EDSO Homeland Security Grant - Update

Chief Gallagher stated he is hoping the delivery date is August. Chief Cordero stated the County did approve the TOT funding for the outfitting and trailers for the UTV's.

- 8.5 West Slope AAR for Caldor Fire – Update

- 8.6 ARPA Funds –

Chief Cordero provided an update on the ARPA Funds status.

## **9. New Business**

- 9.1 EDH Fire Defensible Space Inspections.

Chief Johnson provided an update on the Defensible Space Inspection Program that EDH conducts for the County.

- 9.2 Wildland Urban Interface Fire Protection Plans – FPO's

Chief Phillips presented the proposed Wildland Urban Interface Fire Protection Plan.

Motion to approve – Chief Johnson, Second Cristy Jorgenson

### 9.3 County TOT Funds

Chief Cordero provided an update on County approved TOT Funds.

### 9.4 Red Hawk Crew 42

Chief Cordero stated that the Red Hawk Crew 42 is available as an additional resource.

## 10. Section Reports

10.1 Training Officers – Chief Cordero stated the Training Officers did receive a grant for \$35,000 for additional training.

10.2 Fire Prevention Officers –

10.2.1 Proposed amendments of the Fire Code pertaining to open burning, Recreational Fires, Outdoor Fireplaces and Campfires.

Chief Phillips provided an update on the proposed amendments of the Fire Code pertaining to open burning, recreational fires, outdoor fireplaces, and campfires.

Chief Phillips stated that the FPO's as well as local agencies are going to have a booth at the El Dorado County Fair this year.

10.3 Operations – Assistant Chief Szczepanik stated the group discussed having a packet on every piece of equipment of forms needed for out of County assignments.

10.4 CSA 3 – No Report

10.5 USAR Task Force – No Report

10.6 Firescope – Chief Johnson stated the next meeting is scheduled for July 7, 2022.

## 11. Standing Committee Reports

11.1 EMS Agency – Cristy Jorgensen provided some staffing changes at the EMS Agency.

11.2 OES, State and Local – Scott Bare provided an update on OES, State and Local. Chief Cordero also provided some OES updates.

11.3 Fire Safe Council – Steve Willis provided an update on current events with the Fire Safe Council.

11.4 LAFCO – Director Veerkamp stated there is a LAFCO meeting tonight, May 25, 2022.

11.5 CSDA –No Report

11.6 Red Cross – No Report

11.7 Environmental Health – No Report

11.8 CAO's Office – Chief Cordero stated he received an email from Sue Hennike and he read it to the group as an update to the CAO's Office.

11.9 PG&E – No Report

## 12. District Reports

12.1 CAL FIRE AEU – No Report

12.2 CAL FIRE Cameron Park – No Report

12.3 City of South Lake Tahoe - Chief Whisler provided staffing changes at the City of South Lake Tahoe.

12.4 Diamond Springs-El Dorado – Chief Gallagher provided an update on current events at Diamond Springs – El Dorado Fire.

12.5 El Dorado County – Chief Cordero provided update on current events at El Dorado County Fire.

12.6 El Dorado Hills – Chief Johnson provided an update on current events at El Dorado Hills Fire.

12.7 Fallen Leaf Lake – Chief Cordero read and email update on Fallen Leaf Lake.

- 12.8 Garden Valley - No Report
- 12.9 Georgetown – Chief Brown provided an update for Georgetown Fire.
- 12.10 Lake Valley – Chief Whisler provided staffing changes at Lake Valley.
- 12.11 Mosquito – Chief Resevear provided an update on Mosquito.
- 12.12 North Tahoe/Meeks Bay – Chief Whisler provided an update on North Tahoe/Meeks Bay.
- 12.13 Pioneer – Chief Whitt provided an update on Pioneer Fire.
- 12.14 Rescue – Chief Johnson provided an update for Rescue Fire.
- 12.15 Tribal/ROP – Chief Whitt provided update for Tribal Fire.
- 12.16 US Forest Service – Chief Pereira and Chief Mausolous provided update for US Forest Service.
- 12.17 JPA – Executive Director Veerkamp provided update on current events with the JPA.

**13. Good and Welfare** – Director Veerkamp stated all the flumes that were damaged during the fire are repaired and running.

**14. Executive Session**

**15. Adjournment** Motion to adjourn at 10:56 – Chief Gallagher – Second Chief Cordero

Next meeting: 9:00 on Wednesday July 27, 2022

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