

## GENESEE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

Minutes of October 19, 2022

Board of Directors' Meeting

**Board Members in Attendance:** Nancy Balter (by Zoom), JP Brewer, Scott Mefford

**Board Members Excused:** Patti Harris, Susan Eagle

**Also Attending:** Jason Puffett, Ryan Babcock (by Zoom), Christina Jantzeff, Joe Auster, Bob Dalton

**Call to Order:** 18:00 by Director Mefford

### **Minutes of Prior Meetings:**

- A motion was made, seconded, and approved unanimously to accept the minutes of the September 21, 2022 Board meeting.

### **Public Comment and Announcements:**

- none

### **Financial Reports**

- **Review of September Financials**
  - The September, 2022 financial report was presented by Christina Jantzeff
  - A motion was made, seconded and approved unanimously to accept the year-to-date financials as presented.
- **Updated Review of the 2023 Budget**
  - Chief Puffett reviewed the proposed 2023 budget.

### **Reports of Officers, Committees, Professional Consultants**

- **Wildland Specialist Dorie Dalton's Report** (By Deputy Chief Auster)
  - Wildland Prepared assessments: 120 assessments completed to date
  - Worked with Genesee Village to assess the Community building; the community manager has requested a presentation to the Board about the mechanics of applying for a grant to support defensible space and thinning.
  - Neighborhood Ambassadors met October 25
- **Training Chief Ryan Babcock's Report**
  - Chief Babcock reviewed recent training accompanied by photos
  - Academy has started with 3 recruits who participated in a controlled burn, a Class A burn and climbed the ladder
- **Deputy Chief Joe Auster's Report**
  - Total calls are up compared with last year. Response times and number of firefighters/call are good.
  - Events: plans underway for Halloween; nothing else this year other than membership meetings
  - Apparatus: all equipment in service; repairs and preventive maintenance upcoming for 971
  - Recruiting: 1-2 recruits will join the current class for wildland.
  - Facilities: all ok
  - Medical: trainings continue
  - Wildland: all good

### **Old Business**

- Emergency Access Route Update: Chief Puffett reviewed the public meeting that was held with GFR participation, and the current plan for the Foundation to fund a feasibility study. He will draft an FAQ to appear on the GFR website that documents GFPD support for pursuing a southern EAR.

### **New Business**

- Public Hearing -FAMLI Program

- The public hearing on the FAML I program was opened at 7:01. There being no public in attendance, the public meeting was closed at 7:02.
- Chief Puffett described the discussions with employees about the FAML I program and the documents prepared by the attorney.
- A motion was made, seconded and unanimously approved to adopt resolution NO. 2022-10-1. A Resolution Declining Participation in the FAML I Program. This decision is good for the next three years.

The regular Board meeting was suspended at 7:07 to go into Executive Session pursuant to §24-6-402(4)(f), Personnel matters regarding the Fire Chief. The Board meeting resumed at 8:24.

A motion was made, seconded and unanimously approved to give Chief Puffett a merit bonus.

**There being no further business, the Board meeting was adjourned at 20:27.**