



**PUBLIC MEETING OF THE  
DEER SPRINGS FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT (DSFPD)  
March 12, 2025 Board Minutes  
Open Session 4:00 pm**

1. **Oath of Office for Director Elect**-President Jackson swore in the newly appointed member of the Board of Directors, Lynne Caples prior to Board Meeting
2. **Call to Order, Roll Call**  
President Jackson-Present  
Vice-President Sealey-Present  
Secretary/Treasurer Kerrin-Present  
Director Gordon-Present  
Director Caples-Present
3. **Pledge of Allegiance**-Led by President Jackson
4. **Adoption of Agenda**-Director Kerrin moved to adopt March 12 agenda; Director Jackson seconded the motion. **Motion is adopted; 5 Ayes; 0 Noes; 0 Absent; 0 Abstain.**
5. **Public Comments Period**-President Jackson reported San Diego Board of Supervisors has secured permanent tax allocations and yearly funding for the Deer Springs Fire Protection District. Fire district's allocation of property taxes from 2% of the 1% that is currently collected will increase to 6% of the 1%, all without local residents' taxes going up.
6. **Fire Safe Council Report**-No Report
7. **Approval of Minutes**
  - a. Regular Board Meeting February 5, 2025- Director Kerrin made a motion to approve February 5 board minutes; Director Gordon seconded the motion. **Motion is adopted; 5 Ayes; 0 Noes; 0 Absent; 0 Abstain.**
8. **Acceptance of February Finance Reports-General, Capital and Mitigation Funds**-Director Sealey made a motion to approve February Financial Reports; Director Caples seconded the motion. **Motion is adopted; 5 Ayes; 0 Noes; 0 Absent; 0 Abstain.**
9. **Chief Report**
  - During month of February the District received 165 calls for service
  - Arrests made for the start of Lilac and Pala fires
  - Station 2 grading and storm drain install has begun

a. **Fire Marshal Report-** January Prevention Report included 4 Annual business inspections and 13 plan reviews.

b. **Community Emergency Response Team Report-**CERT 501c3 meeting and quarterly training planned for the month of April. We held our first Fire Extinguisher Training at Champagne Village Mobile Home Park on March 8. We have two other events scheduled for April 12, Deer Springs Fire Station 3 located in Hidden Meadows and on May 10, Moose Lodge, Jesmond Dene Area.

## 10. Committee Reports

1. Station 2 Improvement-Director Gordon, and Chief Morrison

Purpose: To oversee the transition of Station 2 from the existing facility to a permanent facility

Type: Ad hoc

Director Gordon reported all permits have been approved including building permit. Director Gordon presented change order number 5 for discussion and approval.

Director Sealey made a motion to approve change order number 5 as presented in the amount of \$95,710 which includes; Vallecitos Design \$2,778, SDG&E Conduit front of site \$29,659, Additional fencing \$42,259, Hose Drying Rack \$17,238, Visions Slats and Timers for App Bay Doors \$3,776; Director Jackson seconded the motion. **Motion is adopted; 5 Ayes; 0 Noes; 0 Absent; 0 Abstain.**

2. Threats, Hazard, and Mitigations-Directors Sealey, Kerrin and Chief Morrison

Purpose: To develop the Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment (THIRA), develop the Stakeholder Preparedness Review (SPR) and develop the Deer Springs Annex to the San Diego County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan (MJHMP)

Type: Ad hoc-No Report

3. County of San Diego and Deer Springs Cooperative Approach Committee-Directors Jackson and Sealey

Purpose: To develop a revision to the Memorandum of Agreement between the Deer Springs Fire Protection District and County of San Diego, Public Safety Group, San Diego County Fire dated June 2023.

Type: Ad hoc

The committee met with County of San Diego, Public Safety Group, San Diego County Fire on February 14 to discuss the MOA. The committee has a verbal tentative agreement, waiting on final MOA.

**11. Closed Session-** Recessed to closed session 5:04pm

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL: ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

Government Code section 54956.9(d) (4) One Matter-The Board reconvened to open session at 5:33pm

Back in open session at the conclusion; No Action taken conference with legal counsel as agenda item 11

## 12. Unfinished Business-None

## 13. New Business

- a. Standby/Availability Fee, Resolution 25-01, 1<sup>st</sup> reading, final hearing in April. To continue the Standby Fee at \$20.54 per benefit unit or to increase by CPI to a maximum of \$21.11.

Director Sealey made a motion to increase the Standby/Availability Fee by CPI to \$21.11 per benefit unit; Director Jackson seconded the motion. **Motion is adopted; 5 Ayes; 0 Noes; 0 Absent; 0 Abstain.**

- b. Fire Suppression Assessment Resolution, 25-02, 1<sup>st</sup> reading, final hearing in April. To continue the Fire Suppression Fee at \$0.2703 per benefit unit, or to increase by CPI to a maximum of \$0.2787.

Director Jackson made a motion to increase the Fire Suppression Fee by CPI to \$0.2787 per benefit unit; Director Sealey seconded the motion. **Motion is adopted; 5 Ayes; 0 Noes; 0 Absent; 0 Abstain.**

- c. Resolution 25-03, 1<sup>st</sup> reading, final hearing in April, Participation in the County of San Diego Fire Mitigation Fee Program Fiscal Year 2025/2026 and Adoption of the Capital Improvement Plan

Director Sealey made a motion to continue participation in the County of San Diego Fire Mitigation Program and approve Deer Springs Capital Improvement Plan; Director Jackson seconded the motion. **Motion is adopted; 5 Ayes; 0 Noes; 0 Absent; 0 Abstain.**

- d. Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Budget Committee. Discuss purpose and membership of the committee.

Action requested: Establish the committee.

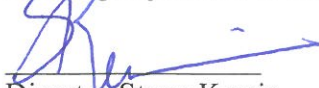
Director Jackson made a motion to appoint Directors Kerrin and Caples to Budget Committee; Director Sealey seconded the motion. **Motion is adopted; 5 Ayes; 0 Noes; 0 Absent; 0 Abstain.**

## 14. Correspondence-Received from insurance company notice of policy conditional renewal

15. **Directors Comments**-Director Gordon thanked Mr. Jackson; great job as President. Director Gordon will not be available for April board meeting. Director Sealey reported that County of San Diego has finalized their lawsuit with Village Communities LLC (Lilac Hills Ranch) petition denied case closed.

## 16. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 5:38 pm

  
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Director Steve Kerrin  
Secretary-Treasurer