

**TUOLUMNE FIRE DISTRICT**

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**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES**

**December 9, 2019 @ 6:30p.m.**

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| **Call to Order** The meeting was called to order at 6:34 p.m. by Brian Machado, Chair. | | |
|  | **Roll Call**  **Others present:** | Adam Artzer, Vice Chair, Tony Krieg, Treasurer, Darlene Hutchins, Secretary, Brian Bell, Director  Nicholas Ohler, Chief, Marcie Wells, Office Manager,  Anaiah Kirk, Tuolumne County Supervisor, John Scott,  Cody Machado  Ken Mitchell, Blake Elliott Ins. Co. (Arrived @ 7:15 p.m.) |
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**Public Forum**  None

**Approval of Previous Minutes** – November 11, 2019

Darlene Hutchins made a motion to approve the previous Minutes.

Brian Bell seconded the motion.

Vote was 5/0 – Motion carried

**Acknowledgements**

None

**Old Business**

Chief Ohler requested that Old Business be reviewed first since

Ken Mitchell would be arriving late. The Board granted this request.

1. **Department Report – Ohler**

Chief Ohler reviewed all the items on his monthly report.

Regarding the Fire Hydrants Project, he stated it will begin later next year.

1. **Administration Report-Wells**

Preparations are being made for the Firefighter Appreciation Christmas Party on Dec. 21, 2019 @ 6:00p.m. Board members are urged to attend.

1. **Review of the Payroll Report, Organization Budget Status Report, & Warrant Requisitions**

All reports were reviewed, approved, and signed.

Warrant Requisitions: November, 2019 = $3,799.10

**Chair Machado recessed the meeting at 6:50 p.m. to wait for the arrival of Mr. Mitchell.**

**Meeting called to order @ 7:15p.m.**

**New Business**

1. **Insurance Discussion – Ohler**

Chief Ohler opened the discussion by stating that, if the District’s LRA rating were to be changed to SRA, this would not affect insurance coverage. Mr. Mitchell then began his presentation by stating the numerous problems local residents are having with cancelled policies and he is trying to give assistance to those impacted by this trend. A lengthy presentation and discussion followed. He stated he would like to see fire coverage handled through a “Fire Authority”. He had a discussion with the Fire Commissioner regarding this possibility and he felt the Commissioner was not in favor of the idea. He feels that future discussions will be needed.

1. **Strategic Planning – Ohler**

Chief Ohler feels that using all the information he has gathered and, with all the data presented by Mr. Mitchell, the information needs to be disseminated further to all the political authorities and others. He stated he would like the Board Directors to send him feedback regarding the insurance discussion.

**Meeting Adjourned @ 8:56p.m.**

**Next Meeting: January 13, 2020 @ 6:00p.m.**

**Minutes respectfully submitted by:**  Marcie Wells, T.F.D. Office Manager