

MINUTES

**BURNEY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
JANUARY 18, 2008
9:00 AM Special Meeting with Closed Session**

OPEN SESSION

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: 9:00 a.m. by Board Chair Moore

FLAG SALUTE - Chair Moore

ROLL CALL

Bob Moore
Boyd Taylor
Roger Valinoti
Donna Caldwell - Absent
Lynn Miller

AGENDA APPROVAL

On motion by Moore, and second by Miller, the agenda was approved by the following vote:

Ayes: Moore, Taylor, Valinoti, Miller
Noes: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None

PUBLIC FORUM

Zalynn Baker inquired as to the hiring process of a new Fire Chief, and how the item was budgeted.

PUBLIC FORUM RESPONSE

None.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS

The Board discussed three options to continue recruiting for a new Chief. They are:

1. Stay with the present recruitment services of Bob Murray & Associates.
2. Look for another recruitment service.
3. Perform an Internal Recruitment.

The Board decided to continue to work with Bob Murray & Associates. BFPD has a good working relationship with them, and it is more cost effective to remain with them. Board Member Miller will contact Bob Murray & Associates Tuesday, January 22nd and report back to Board Chair Moore.

Another option would be for Board Members Valinoti, and Miller, along with District Secretary Cindy Cooley to develop a Screening Committee for Fire Chief applicants. The Screening Committee would also consist of people from the community, BFPD volunteers, staff, and others to screen the applicants.

Board Members Moore and Miller recommended to Zalyann Baker, Gabe Shaw, and Evan Beach (BFPD Personnel) to give any comments, suggestions, and questions to Chief Russell to be taken into consideration for District/Department matters.

Both Chief Russell and Board Member Miller agreed that ideally, BFPD is looking for a Fire Chief that will stay with the District for 10-15 years. Longevity is the key to running a successful department.

The Board adjourned to closed session at 9:40 a.m.

CLOSED SESSION

Personnel - Government Code 54957 - Fire Chief Recruitment and Consultant Services Contract.

RESULTS OF CLOSED SESSION

The Board reconvened at 9:50 a.m. The Board approved a \$5 per hour increase for Chief Russell's commitment to stay on board until June 30, 2008.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Moore adjourned the meeting at 10:25 a.m.

Board President

Secretary, Kathi Mathys

Date: January 18, 2008