

**LAKEPORT FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
445 NORTH MAIN STREET
LAKEPORT, CA 95453
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES OF AUG. 28, 2018**

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Whitehead called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance:

Roll Call: Present—Chairman Whitehead, Vice Chairman Whipple, Director Mills, Director Williams and Director Davidson were present.

Plaque Presentation: Chairman Whitehead presented a plaque to Director Gerry Mills for his 20 years of service and contributions to the Lakeport fire Protection Board; Director Mills was thanked by the Directors and staff for his service.

CLOSED SESSION: 6:05 p.m.

Salaries, Salary Schedules or Fringe Benefits pursuant to Section 54957.6 of the Ralph M. Brown Act.

**Agency negotiator: Chairman Whitehead and Director Davidson
Employee organization: Lakeport Professional Firefighters Association**

Chairman Whitehead adjourned to a Closed Session at 6:05 p.m.; Closed Session was closed at 6:10 with no action taken.

The Special Meeting was reconvened at 6:10 p.m.

Action taken from the Closed Session: There was no action taken.

A brief recess was taken from 6:10 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

The Special Meeting was reconvened at 6:30 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARING 6:30 p.m.

Public Hearing on the adoption of the District's 2018-2019 Final Fiscal Year Budget.

Chief Hutchison shared budget worksheets with the Board and mentioned that a meeting between the District and Lakeport Professional Firefighters Association to discuss negotiations had not occurred; one worksheet is a "band aide" approach with one position terminated, the use of reserves no part time personnel and would only hold the District over temporarily; Vice Chairman Whipple mentioned this was a very difficult position for the District and placing a tax measure on the ballot was very important and necessary but would not help with the budget shortfalls now; the ambulance revenue decrease and

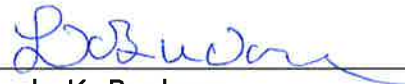
refunds that have affected the 2018-2019 Budget was discussed; Northshore Fire and Lake County Fire have discontinued doing patient Interfacility and Out of County Transports because they were losing money; having the ambulance transports being self supporting was discussed and that the District can't rely on that income; tax revenue has increased 2%; he mentioned negotiations needed to be done in two weeks; Chairman Whitehead directed the Administrative Assistant to contact the County Auditor Controller and ask for a postponement of the Final Budget until Sept. 11th (the next Board meeting); a motion was made by Director Davidson with a second to the motion by Vice Chairman Whipple to table the passing of the Final fiscal 18-19 budget until Sept. 11, 2019; the Directors asked the staff to help them in any way possible with the difficult 18-19 Budget; Firefighter Dan Kane mentioned negotiation meeting dates were submitted "last week" and they did not hear back from the District; Dan Kane asked to clarify the solutions to the budget presented: Chief Hutchison explained the "band aide budget equals "cutting" one full time position; one shift with 2 employees and 2 shifts with 3 employees and the "black and white" solution to the budget equals "cutting" three positions; all shifts would have 2 people on per shift; eliminating 3 positions is trying to be avoided; Director Gerry Mills mentioned that this was a good Department and a position has never had to be "cut" but the District can't spend more money than is taken in; John Whitehead let Director Mills know his 20 years of service as a Director on the Lakeport Fire Protection Board and work with LAFCO has been very appreciated.

ADJOURNMENT: The Meeting was adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

Chairman, John Whitehead



Respectfully submitted,



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