

**WILLIAMS FIRE PROTECTION AUTHORITY**  
**810 E Street, Williams, California**  
**Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors**  
**Monday, August 19, 2019**

**MINUTES**

A regular meeting of the Williams Fire Protection Authority Board of Directors was called to order at 1730 hours by Vice-Chairperson, Allen Gobel.

Director's Present: Mike Charter, Allen Gobel, Robert Mendoza, John Troughton  
Alternates Present: Sam Reynolds  
Staff Present: Chief Gilbert, Kara Alvernaz, John Alvernaz  
Other Present: Bill Manor, Rex Mayes (both Rural District board members)

John Troughton moved to approve the minutes of the July 15, 2019 regular meeting. Motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Robert Mendoza. **Motion passed. Ayes 5 Noes 0 Absent 1 by the following vote: Charter – aye, Gobel – aye, Mendoza – aye, Alt. Reynolds – aye, Troughton – aye, Turner – absent.**

The Financial Reports dated 8/16/19 and the 7/13/19 – 8/16/19 Check Registers were presented and discussed. Mike Charter moved to accept the 8/16/19 Financial Reports and approve the Check Register listing Checks # 14479 – 14557 out of Umpqua Bank Checking xxxxx1215 totaling \$77,844.03. Motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by John Troughton. **Motion passed. Ayes 5 Noes 0 Absent 1 by the following vote: Charter – aye, Gobel – aye, Mendoza – aye, Alt. Reynolds – aye, Troughton – aye, Turner – absent.**

Chief's Report:

- The July 2019 Stats were presented. Reported on recent structure fire.
- Reported that Engine 3011 is back in service after being sent to LA for repairs.
- Reported that the new siren has been installed.
- Reported that the fire department exterior painting will begin in a few days.

Chief Gilbert reported that the Authority has received a Cal Fire Volunteer Fire Assistance (VFA) grant to purchase 8 sets of Wildland PPE. The Authority cost share will be \$4,366. Chief Gilbert suggested that the cost share be taken out of the Capital Equipment Replacement fund. John Troughton moved to adopt Resolution No. 19-04 – Approving the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection Agreement #7FG19138. Motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Robert Mendoza. **Motion passed. Ayes 5 Noes 0 Absent 1 by the following vote: Charter – aye, Gobel – aye, Mendoza – aye, Alt. Reynolds – aye, Troughton – aye, Turner – absent.**

Chief Gilbert reported that the County Fire Chiefs and board members met to discuss issues with ambulance services in Colusa County. It was decided to form a County-Wide EMS Task Force Ad Hoc Committee to discuss ambulance issues. The committee will consist of 1 representatives from each fire district and 1 from each incorporated city. Discussion followed. Mike Charter moved to appoint John Troughton to serve on the committee. Motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Sam Reynolds. **Motion passed. Ayes 5 Noes 0 Absent 1 by the following vote: Charter – aye, Gobel – aye, Mendoza – aye, Alt. Reynolds – aye, Troughton – aye, Turner – absent.**

During board/staff discussion, John Troughton announced that the City of Williams received a \$400,000 grant that will fund locating a new water well. John also stated that he has received a complaint about the length of the new siren and asked if it can be set to a shorter cycle? Chief Gilbert reported that it has been a quiet fire season to date. The Authority did respond to a Mutual Aid request to a wildland fire near Kelseyville.

The meeting was adjourned at 1803 hours.

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Allen Gobel, Vice-Chairperson

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Jeffery Gilbert, Fire Chief