

WILLIAMS FIRE PROTECTION AUTHORITY
810 E Street, Williams, California
Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors
Monday, July 17, 2023

MINUTES

A regular meeting of the Williams Fire Protection Authority Board of Directors was called to order at 1731 hours by Chairperson Doug Turner.

Directors Present: Allen Gobel, Don Parsons, Doug Turner
Alternates Present: Rex Mayes
Staff Present: Chief Gilbert, Kara Alvernaz

Allen Gobel moved to approve the minutes of the June 19, 2023 regular meeting and June 26, 2023 special meeting. Motion was 2nd by Don Parsons. **Motion passed. Ayes 3 Noes 0 Abstain 0 Absent 2 by the following vote: Dunlap – absent, Gobel–aye, Lewis – absent, Parsons – aye, Turner-aye.**

The 6/30/2023 Financial Reports and the 6/1 – 6/30/2023 Check Register were presented and discussed. Allen Gobel moved to approve the 6/30/2023 Financial Reports and Checks # 18119 - 18202 out of Umpqua Bank Checking xxx1215 totaling \$212,253.40 and Check # 1015 out of Umpqua Bank Impact Fee Fund xxx1223 totaling \$200,000. Motion was 2nd by Don Parsons. **Motion passed. Ayes 3 Noes 0 Absent 1 by the following vote: Dunlap – absent, Gobel – aye, Lewis – absent, Parsons – aye, Turner – aye.**

Chief's Report:

- The June 2022 total calls were given. Reported on recent major structure fire.
- Announced that the Authority has been approved to receive 6.79 million in funding from the State of California (3 million) and Federal Community Facilities (3.79 million) to use to build a new fire station on Ella Street. He hopes the funding will be enough to include a training facility.

Discussion was held regarding verbal offer made by Janus Solar Project to fund the Authority \$300,000 annually (less assessment income from the property) for the 35-year expected life of project. A Consumer Price Index (CPI) increase will be added each year. A formal written agreement will be presented to the Authority to approve prior to the building permit being issued.

Chief Gilbert reported that the County Fire Chiefs recently met with Colusa County CAO to go over the RFP for ambulance services. He briefed board on his concerns regarding the amount that the CEO is proposing to subsidize for ambulance services annually. Discussion followed. Don Parsons moved to direct staff to issue a letter on behalf of the

Authority board to the Board of Supervisors addressing concerns regarding the RFP and that the letter be signed by board chair. Motion was 2nd by Allen Gobel. **Motion passed. Ayes 3 Noes 0 Abstain 0 Absent 2 by the following vote: Dunlap – absent, Gobel–aye, Lewis – absent, Parsons – aye, Turner-aye.**

The meeting was adjourned at 1820 hours.

Doug Turner, Chairperson

Jeffery Gilbert, Fire Chief