

**CLOVERDALE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT  
MINUTES FOR MAY 10, 2010  
REGULAR MEETING**

**Regular meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Board President Giovanatto at Cloverdale Fire Station –451 S. Cloverdale Blvd., Cloverdale, CA**

**Date Posted: Pursuant to Government Code 54954.2, the agenda for this meeting was properly posted on May 7, 2010**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Led by Board President Giovanatto

**ROLL CALL:**

Directors Present: Directors Green, Hill, Avansino, Giordano and President Giovanatto  
Directors Absent: None  
Others Present: Fire Chief, Brian Elliott, Clerk of the Board, Michelle Black

**AGENDA APPROVAL:** Approved without change.

Director Avansino moved and Director Giordano seconded the motion to approve the Agenda without change.

Motion carried: Aye 5 No 0 Abstain 0 Absent 0.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS-GENERAL INTEREST:** None

**CONSENT CALENDAR:**

1. Approval of Minutes for April 12, 2010 Regular meeting

Director Hill moved and Director Green seconded the motion to approve the Minutes of April 12, 2010 Regular Meeting without change.

Motion carried: Aye 5 No 0 Abstain 0 Absent 0.

**PROCLAMATION/PRESENTATION(S):**

**DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:**

1. **Bookkeeper Report:**
  - a.) Financial Report
  - b.) Approval of Claims

Chief Elliott reported we are at 74% of expenses. We received the prop 1A 2<sup>nd</sup> installment. There is currently a negative balance in the apparatus fund. We will transfer money from operations into apparatus fund to cover.

Director Avansino moved and Director Hill seconded the motion to approve the claims as presented.

Motion carried: Aye 5 No 0 Abstain 0 Absent 0.

2. Resolution 12-10 declaring weeds a fire hazard and public nuisance.  
Chief Elliott reported this is our annual resolution to declare weeds a public nuisance and fire hazard. We have been coordinating with the City of Cloverdale on updating the City ordinance which gives more authority to enforce the issue.

Director Green moved and Director Avansino seconded the motion to declare weeds a public nuisance and fire hazard by title only.

Motion carried: Aye 5 No 0 Abstain 0 Absent 0.

3. Resolution 13-10 ordering an election and requesting consolidation with the November 2, 2010 General District Election.  
Directors Avansino and Giordano are up for election.

Director Hill moved and Director Avansino seconded the motion to order an election and request consolidation with the November 2, 2010 General District Election.

Motion carried: Aye 5 No 0 Abstain 0 Absent 0.

**REPORTS:**

1. President's Report – none
2. Subcommittee Reports
  - a. Budget – meeting will be scheduled this month and will present preliminary budget at June meeting.
  - b. Apparatus – A meeting will be scheduled with the committee next month.
  - c. Building – Chief Elliott reported we submitted all of our information for the USDA grant which could possibly be \$92,000
  - d. Liaison – Meeting will be held in June
3. Volunteer Reports – Volunteer Firefighter Erich Engle reported the Association tax return is being prepared. The BBQ is scheduled for September 11<sup>th</sup>.
4. Fire Chief's Report – See attached report. The Every 15 Minutes Program was very successful. Anthony Michalek handled the crash scene coordination and worked with Laurie Seibenthal.

**GOOD OF THE ORDER:** President Giovanatto reported she received feedback from a citizen that she was very thankful to the Fire Department for their caring and thoughtfulness on a recent incident.

**CLOSED SESSION:** Public Employee Performance Evaluation  
Fire Chief  
Government Code 64957

Adjourned to closed session at 6:27 pm  
Reconvened to open session at 6:35 pm  
President Giovanatto reported no action was taken

**ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting adjourned at 6:36 p.m.

**NEXT MEETING DATE:** Regular Meeting May 10, 2010 at the Cloverdale Fire Station, 451 S. Cloverdale Blvd., Cloverdale, CA

Fire Chiefs Report  
May 10, 2010  
Presented by Fire Chief Elliott and Deputy Chief Jenkins

## BUDGET

The current budget remains as anticipated. Our sub-committee had to cancel its May meeting due to the fire chief's added commitment to Cloverdale High School every fifteen minutes program. We will present a preliminary budget for the Board's consideration on June 14, 2010.

## BUILDING

We are still waiting for the antenna tower approval. The building has not received final clearance.

## EFM

Our Cloverdale Firefighters came through in a very big way during the every fifteen minutes program this year. Anthony Michalek did a great job orchestrating the event. The fire department was involved with every level of the program. All meetings were held in our training room. The Firefighter Association cooked for the student retreat. We received a lot of recognition from the high school and parents. Congratulations Cloverdale Firefighters, you rock!

## OPERATIONS REPORT

The Sonoma County Chiefs Association meeting was held in Forestville. Main topic was to review new strike team procedures for the upcoming fire season. A training/operations meeting was held in Geyserville to discuss many upcoming training courses that are being held within the zone. The group also discussed a zone battalion chief coverage plan. A plan will be presented to the chiefs for possible implementation in June. I attended a review of the Station Fire in which two LA County firefighters lost their lives in August 2009. CFPD engine 6580 was part of a strike team assigned to the incident. The review was very informative and many lessons were learned, that will be shared with our members. CFPD along with Cloverdale Ambulance, Cal-Fire, CHP and REACH helicopter provided a great every fifteen minutes presentation to Cloverdale High School. The scenario was very real and had a tremendous impact. Thanks to Anthony Michalek for putting this special event together.

## TRAINING

CFPD members are almost complete with S-290 fire weather. After S-290, members will begin S-215 interface fire operations. Both classes will ready our members for fire season. CFPD attended the Sonoma Marin MADD drill at Sonoma State University with rescue 6530. The focus was on ventilation, confined space and other technical rescue skills.

## INCIDENTS

To date CFPD has run 306 calls for service.  
Total incidents for the month of April were 73  
There were no major incidents to report for the month.

**EQUIPMENT**

The apparatus committee is planning to meet this month to evaluate our current vehicle replacement plan. Engine 6581 is well overdue for replacement. However, with the current fiscal situation purchasing a new engine at this time is not possible. I would like to discuss options and re-evaluate our plan. I will set up a meeting date soon with the committee. All equipment remains in service.

**FIRE EXPLORERS**

Regular training continues.

**UP COMING EVENTS:**

CFPD to host S-215 wildland fire interface operations June 2010.

CFPD will provide engine staffing at Infineon Raceway for NHRA drags and NASCAR races. These events are coordinated by Sonoma County Fire & Emergency Services.