

**STONES-BENGARD COMMUNITY SERVICE DISTRICT**

**SPECIAL BOARD MEETING**

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**Special Meeting: Saturday, March 21, 2020 10:00 AM**

**MINUTES**

**CALL TO ORDER:**

President, Kay Oring called the meeting to order at 10:06 AM

**ROLL CALL:**

Present were Board of Directors Kay Oring, Cyndi San Diego, Cheryl McCormack and Robert Larivee. One Vacancy. Also, present Secretary Donna Round and General Manager Martin Balding. Website Manager Rick Nicholas.

**GUEST:** David Wells and Rick Nicholas

**ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION/ACTION**

1. Board Unity and Ethics

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT:** President Oring handed out the Code of Conduct Section E of the SBCSD By-Laws, to remind all Board of Directors about the importance of Board Unity and Ethics. Oring read a statement urging people to work together and not have individual Directors setting up individual meetings with outside agencies. She discussed how committees should be conducted. If there is an item to be discussed outside of a regular board meeting, board members should first send an email to the Secretary who will then forward to all board members. If a special meeting is deemed necessary the Secretary will send a Special Meeting Agenda to all Board Members and post on the website. Discussion of need to work with our General Manager and Board President.

2. Urgent needs of the Fire Department

**URGENT NEEDS OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT:**

Brain storming on how to get more volunteers and a fire chief.

Recruitment

Training: Free Live Fire Training in Susanville from the CSFA

Retention

The committee will clarify DMV requirements

Update equipment apparatus

Inventory

Look at Budget

Grant writing: Forward emails regarding fire department and grants to Larivee and McCormack

Discuss relationship with Spalding Fire Department

Larivee will draft a letter to all residents about the urgent needs of volunteer firefighter and a Fire chief. Larivee will sent draft letter to Secretary to forward to all board members.

Oring suggest after the letter goes out to residents, we have two people reach out in person to explain the urgent needs of our community.

San Diego handed out some notes from Spalding Fire Chief Cliff Spediacci to help assist Stones-Bengard Fire Department.

Oring moved to appoint Larivee and McCormack as a committee for the urgent needs of the Fire Department, second by McCormack, 3 in favor, 1 abstention, 1 vacant.

McCormack moved to provide updates from fire committee at next meeting, second by San Diego, all in favor, motioned carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Dave Wells agrees we have a unique situation up here with the limited number of full-time residents and most residents are 60 years + and do not want to dedicate their time. Rick Nicholas asked if there is a way to make a limited agreement with Spalding for Fire and Medical calls only.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

With no further business to conduct, the meeting was adjourned at 11.36am

Respectfully Submitted by, \_\_\_\_\_ Donna Round, Secretary