



Lakeport Fire Protection District

445 N. Main Street Lakeport, CA 95453 - (707) 263-4396

BOARD OF DIRECTORS' SPECIAL MEETING 9:00 A.M., May 16, 2022, Lakeport Fire Station

MINUTES

NON-TIMED ITEMS

A. OPEN MEETING:

- A1. Call to Order: *Chair Whitehead called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM.*
- A2. Pledge of Allegiance: *Chair Whitehead led the pledge.*
- A3. Roll Call: *Director Flora, Director Deas, Director Lucas, Chairman Whitehead, and Vice Chairman Gabe.*
- A4. Public Comment: *None*

TIMED ITEMS

A. CLOSED SESSION:

Pursuant to Government Code Sections 54957 and 54957.6, the board went into closed session at 9:03 AM to discuss Chief Thomas' resignation and the appointment of an Interim Fire Chief. The board returned from closed session at 10:12 AM with the following reportable actions.

A1. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION

FLORA/DEAS MOTIONED to authorize counsel Ryan Jones to negotiate a severance package with Chief Thomas. **AYES:** Chairman Whitehead, Vice-Chairman Gabe, Director Deas, Director Flora and Director Lucas

A2. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENT

No reportable actions

B. REGULAR ITEM:

- B1. Report, discussion, and possible action on entering into a contract with a retired annuitant as acting Fire Chief on an interim and limited basis, including a resolution to approve said action, if necessary.

The board discussed entering into a contract with retired annuitant Daniel Grebil to act as Interim Fire Chief, as well as forming an ad hoc committee to discuss recruitment.

LUCAS/GABE MOTIONED to give counsel Ryan Jones the authority to negotiate a

*contract with a retired annuitant as Interim Fire Chief for up to 960 hours at an hourly rate not to exceed that of the Chief Thomas' current salary, and to form an ad hoc committee, consisting of themselves, to discuss recruitment. **AYES:** Chairman Whitehead, Vice-Chairman Gabe, Director Deas, Director Flora and Director Lucas*

C. ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Whitehead adjourned the meeting at 10:23 AM.

Respectfully submitted: _____
RAY LAVELLE
Board Clerk

Read and Approved: _____
JOHN WHITEHEAD
Board Chairman