

Board of Directors  
Monthly Meeting  
January 14, 2025  
Grand Island Station

**Minutes**

**Meeting:** Called to Order by Chairman Garner at 6:30 PM

**Present:** Directors Garner, Brookins, Simmons, Kimbrell, Hicckel, Chief Winters, Capt Pat Trotter, Zac Willow and Vernon Jones representatives of Colusa County Water District #1 Board of Directors

**Absent:** Director Miller

**Approve meeting minutes of December 2024**

Correction to December claims were made to reflect \$28,252.61

**Ayes:** Garner Moore, Brookins, Simmons, Kimbrell, Hicckel

**Noes::** None

**Abstain:** None

**Absent:** Miller

Motion passed unanimously.

**Period of Public Comment:**

There was no public comment.

**Items for Board Consideration:**

1, Approve claims for January 2025.

Chief winters presented claims for January in the amount of \$147,503.33 of which \$123,933.68 was for cab and chassis for the new truck.

It was moved by Director Moore and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kimbrell to approve the claims as presented.

Ayes: Garner, Moore, Brookins, Simmons, Kimbrell, Hickle  
Noes: None  
Abstain: None  
Absent: Miller  
Motion passed unanimously.

Approve Purchase of 13 sets of Structure Protective Clothing utilizing funds received from Colusa Indian Community in the amount of \$45,618.00. Continued from December meeting.

Captain Trotter stated that there has been no change from last month's meeting regarding new turnouts that do not contain cancer-causing materials. This item continued and will be agendized once an acceptance turn out has been approved.

Amendment to Real Property Lease Agreement with Colusa County Waterworks District #1 Term of Lease. Amend current Lease from 25 years to 50 years as of January 14, 2025.

Zac Willow representative of the Waterworks District informed the Board that once the requirements of the grant that the Water District received to fund drilling of the new well and water testing is that the property lease agreement between Colusa County Waterworks #1 and Sacramento Rive Fire District needs to be a 50-year lease not 25 years as presently stipulated in the present lease agreement.

It was moved by Director Hickle, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Moore, to approve the request that the lease be amended to 50 years.

Ayes: Garner, Moore, Brookins, Simmons, Kimbrell, Hickle  
Noes: None  
Abstain: None  
Absent: Miller  
Motion passed

Secretary Susie McCullough is requesting a wage increase from \$19/hour to \$21/hour. The last increase was February 2022. She is also requesting that the district increase the contribution towards her medical insurance that has increased 12% this year. Her monthly insurance premium is now 1192.55 of which the Fire District has been contributing \$400.00.

Discussion was held regarding minimum wage, number of hours worked by Ms. McCullough etc.

It was moved by Director Simmons, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Brookins to increase the hourly wage to \$20.00/hour and increase the insurance contribution \$75.00 to \$475.00 per month.

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Ayes: Garner, Moore, Brookins, Simmons, Kimbrell, Hickle  
Noes: None  
Absent: Miller  
Abstain: None

**Communications: Reports and Presentations**

**Directors: None**

**Colusa Rural/Grand Island Volunteers: None**

**Fire Chief/CEO.**

Chief winters handed out the mid-year budget summary and reviewed it with Directors. Currently the budget looks to be in good shape.

There were 18 calls for service in December: 1 brush fire, 12 EMS responses with one at Colusa Casino, 2 Mutual Aids, 2 Investigations, and 1 Public Assist.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned to February 11, 2025, at 6:30 PM at Colusa Station.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:00 PM

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John Garner, Chairman of Board of Directors.

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Patty Hickle  
Secretary