

## MINUTES

### LIVERMORE-PLEASANTON FIRE DEPARTMENT JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY

**DATE:** April 24, 2001  
**TIME:** 2:30 PM  
**LOCATION:** Community Room  
Livermore Police Department  
1110 South Livermore Avenue  
Livermore, CA

#### 1. Call to Order and Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 2:30 p.m. Present: Members Brown, Dietrich, Ayala; Livermore City Manager Linda Barton; Pleasanton City Manager Deborah McKeehan; Fire Chief Stewart Gary; Administration Manager Kerry Burns; Livermore City Attorney Dan Sodergren; and Livermore City Clerk Alice Calvert.

Note: Member Sharrell Michelotti joined the meeting at 3:00 p.m.

#### 2. Meeting Open to the Public

There were no speakers.

#### 3. Consent Calendar

- a. Adopt Changed Livermore-Pleasanton Fire Department Personnel Rule; Chapter 15 – Harassment Policy and Complaint Procedure.

ON THE MOTION OF MEMBER BROWN, SECONDED BY MEMBER DIETRICH, AND CARRIED ON A 3-0 VOTE, THE CONSENT CALENDAR WAS APPROVED.

#### 4. New Business

- a. Receive Livermore-Pleasanton Fire Department Year 2000 Annual Report.

ON THE MOTION OF MEMBER BROWN, SECONDED BY MEMBER AYALA, AND CARRIED ON A 3-0 VOTE, THE ANNUAL REPORT WAS ACCEPTED.

- b. Review Livermore-Pleasanton Fire Department Fiscal Year 2001-2003 Budget.

Chief Gary reviewed significant budget proposals. He noted that a Disaster Preparedness Community Information Specialist was proposed to help with the Disaster Preparedness/Community Education Program for the member cities.

Member Ayala asked if the coordination of the program with the schools was part of the budget proposal. Chief Gary explained that the school program is currently done by line personnel overseen by a Division Chief. This proposal will enable the department to establish a master calendar to schedule annual school programs.

Chief Gary discussed the proposal for the purchase of infrared cameras and said the two cameras, which were donated by the Pleasanton-Livermore Junior Women's League, have already proved useful in detecting a fire in each City. The cameras are expensive but are revolutionizing interior firefighting techniques. The budget also proposes increased funding for the Medical Examinations-Wellness Program to provide for annual physical firefighter examinations by physicians who understand the needs and issues of the firefighters. The Union has indicated a willingness to accept this and the intent is to include it in the new contract. If it is not approved, the funds will not be utilized. Chief Gary recommended replacement of Cardiac Monitors-Defibrillators approximately 11 months earlier than planned, but noted that, due to current costs, a cost savings will result.

Chief Gary summarized that the budget is pretty much the same as has been proposed for the last two years and maintains the same level of service to the communities.

ON THE MOTION OF MEMBER BROWN, SECONDED BY MEMBER AYALA, AND CARRIED BY A 3-0 VOTE, THE BUDGET WAS APPROVED.

c. Review Floor Plan and Elevation for Replacement Fire Station No. 7

Chief Gary discussed plans and funding for this station, which replaces the old station built in 1962.

Member Michelotti joined the meeting at this time.

Member Brown noted that the station was originally built as a bomb shelter. She requested that photos be taken and that the Livermore Historic Preservation Committee and the Livermore Heritage Guild be invited to salvage any memorabilia. She also suggested that the new station include a memorabilia wall.

THIS WAS AN INFORMATIONAL ITEM ONLY; NO ACTION WAS TAKEN.

**5. Matters Initiated - Board Members, JPA Counsel and Staff**


The JPA set November 8 in Pleasanton as the next meeting date.

Chief Gary reported on a recent incident at the softball complex in Pleasanton. The Fire Department and the ambulance service responded to a call for service. There were reports that an altercation between ambulance employees and Fire Department staff took place and complaints were received about the attitude of the ambulance company personnel. He stated that witnesses to the event will be interviewed and a report prepared.

City Manager McKeehan reported that the LPFD responded to a recent call for service at a church on Easter Sunday in less than three minutes. Chief Gary noted that, in the five years since consolidation, no complaints have been received about fire department personnel attitudes.

**6. Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 3:20 p.m.

  
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Peggy L. Ezidro, Secretary of the JPA by  
Alice Calvert, City Clerk, City of Livermore