

96-159

DEPARTMENT: Fire Department BY: Dan Tinnel PHONE: 966-4330

RECOMMENDED ACTION AND JUSTIFICATION: (Policy Item: Yes __ No _X_)

The Mariposa County Fire Chief's Association is requesting that the Board meet to discuss activities of the County Fire Department during the vacancy of the Fire Chief. The Association is requesting that the Board discuss the following:

1. The immediate recruitment of a Fire Chief to fill the County Fire Chief position.
2. Hiring an interim Fire Chief and/or other staff help while Fire Chief recruitment takes place.
3. That two Volunteer Fire Chiefs from the Association be on the selection committee for the new Chief.
4. Maintain money allocated for the County Fire Chief salary and benefit package within the Fire Department budget to be used for interim staff help and fire fighting equipment.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:

County Fire Chief Dan Tinnel will be leaving the position on April 30th. The Mariposa County Volunteer Fire Chiefs Association had a meeting with two members of the Board of Supervisors on April 4th to discuss issues arising from the Chief leaving the County position. The above four issues came out of the meeting. It was the recommendation of the two representative supervisors that issues be brought to the full Board for discussion.

LIST ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

Do not discuss relative issues. Direct County Staff to recruit fill position and manage County Fire Department on an interim basis as they feel is necessary and prudent.

COSTS: (XX) Not applicable		SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:	
A.	Budget Current FY	\$ _____	List the attachments and number the pages consecutively
B.	Total anticipated costs	\$ _____	
C.	Required additional funding	\$ _____	
D.	Internal transfers	\$ _____	

SOURCE: () 4/5ths Vote Required

A.	Unanticipated revenues	\$ _____
B.	Reserve for contingencies	\$ _____
C.	Source Description:	

Balance in Reserve for Contingencies, if approved:

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Resolution No: 96-159 Ord. No: _____

Vote - Ayes: _____ Noes: _____

Absent: _____ Abstained: _____

() Approved () Denied

(X) Minute Order Attached () No Action Necessary

The foregoing instrument is a correct copy of the original on file in this office.

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION:

This item on agenda as:

Recommended

For Policy Determination

Submitted with Comment

Return for Further Action

Date: _____ Comments: _____

ATTEST: MARGIE WILLIAMS, Clerk of the Board
County of Mariposa, State of California

By: _____
Deputy

A.O. Initials: 

MARIPOSA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

MINUTE ORDER

TO: DAN TINNEL, County Fire Chief
FROM: MARGIE WILLIAMS, Clerk of the Board
SUBJECT: RESOLUTION NUMBER 96-159

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MARIPOSA COUNTY, CALIFORNIA,
ADOPTED THIS Order on April 16, 1996

ACTION AND VOTE:

10:06 a.m. Dan Tinnel, Fire Chief;
Discussion and Possible Action Regarding the Upcoming Vacancy in
the Position of County Fire Chief
BOARD ACTION: Dan Tinnel presented request from the Fire Chief's
Association. Discussion was held relative to the Emergency
Services Officer/Coordinator functions, and relative to the
requests. Bill Bondshu asked about the Office of Emergency
Services (OES) option for contracting with Dan Tinnel for
services during recruitment. George Cordingly stated they need
strong leadership, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week; stated he feels
that if the County contracts with Dan Tinnel, additional support
would be necessary to fill in when Dan is not available; and
commended Jim Wilson for his work. Jim Wilson stated his
services to the County would be available if requested and
personnel issues would need to be worked out. Dan Tinnel advised
that Hal Nolan has also volunteered his services. (M)Parker,
(S)Taber, direction was given to staff to begin immediate
recruitment to fill the Fire Chief's position; continue the
matter of appointment of interim Fire Chief until the Board has
an opportunity to discuss the issue in closed session with Dan
Tinnel; further consideration to be given to the issue of
Emergency Services Coordinator; authorize selection of up to two
Chiefs from the Association to serve on the screening committee,
with final authorization to be determined in the future; direct
that any salary and benefit savings realized from the vacancy
stay with the Fire budget and come back as line item changes in
the budget for purchase of equipment/Ayes: Unanimous. Mike
Coffield, County Administrative Officer, initiated discussion
relative to holding a closed session this date on personnel
issues with Dan Tinnel and suggested that any savings in the Fire
budget be brought back during the budget process for reallocation
to the Fire budget. (M)Parker, (S)Taber, Board waived its rules

requiring 72 hours agenda noticing to consider holding a closed session later this date with Dan Tinnel/Fire Chief, due to the urgency of appointing an interim Fire Chief/Ayes: Unanimous. (M)Parker, (S)Taber, Board directed that closed session be held at 2:00 p.m. with Dan Tinnel/Ayes: Unanimous. Further discussion concerning appointment of an interim Fire Chief was continued to 3:00 p.m. this date.

2:06 p.m. CLOSED SESSION Regarding Conference with County Labor Negotiator Relative to Management/Confidential Employees (MCMCO) and Appointed Department Heads (County Labor Negotiator) (County Administrative Officer)

BOARD ACTION: (M)Parker, (S)Stewart, closed session held, including closed session scheduled from earlier this date, with Dan Tinnel and Jim Wilson to be present for a portion relative personnel issues pertaining the Fire Chief/Ayes: Unanimous.

3:08 p.m. Board reconvened in open session with labor negotiations portion of closed session continued to later this date; and took the following action as a result of closed session. (M)Taber, (S)Parker, Res. 96-159 adopted appointing Dan Tinnel as Interim Fire Chief, and Jim Wilson as Deputy Fire Chief under the direction of Chief Tinnel, until a full time replacement occurs; and direction was given to staff to negotiate personal services agreements for these services/Ayes: Unanimous.

cc: Jim Wilson, Interim ^{Deputy} Fire Chief
Jeff Green, County Counsel
Mike Coffield, County Administrative Officer
Nancy Kyle, Personnel
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