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CSA-69 ADVISORY COMMITTEE SPECIAL MEETING

Minutes

Thursday, May 29, 2008

Members Present

Chambers, Pat – Santee Chamber of Commerce
Clegg, Robin – Lakeside Comm. Planning Group
Coyle, Ken – Lakeside Fire Protection District
Howe, Kevin – Lakeside Union School District
Meadows-Pitt, R.N., Mary – Sharp Grossmont

County Staff Present

Daniel, Vielka
Metz, R.N., Marcy
Yaghmaee, Saman

Recorder

Rupp, Merle

Members Absent

Carlisle, Allen – Santee School District
Savage, Warren – City of Santee
Voepel, Mayor Randy – City of Santee

Guests Present

Baker, Chief Mark – Lakeside Fire
Franklin, Kandhy – East County Fire
Larkin, Brent – Lakeside Fire
Parr, Andy – Lakeside Fire
Smith, Rick – Lakeside Fire Protection District

I. INTRODUCTION/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ken Coyle, Vice-Chair, brought the meeting to order at 4:05 p.m. Attendees introduced themselves. Warren Savage, Chair, unable to attend this meeting.

It was announced that member Doreen Guidry, East County Fire, passed away recently. Kandhy Franklin was introduced as her replacement.

II. PRESENTATION OF THE PROPOSED 2008-09 CSA-69 BUDGET

A special budget meeting was held on Friday, May 23, 2008 where some budget issues were discussed. At this meeting this date, Saman Yaghmaee, County EMS, distributed two documents: 1) CSA-69 Revenue Forecast Report from July 1, 2008 – June 30, 2012; and 2) CSA-69 Preliminary Budget 2008-2010.

Kevin Howe, Lakeside Community Planning Group, directed attention to the preliminary budgets for the Cities of Santee and Lakeside. It was calculated that both cities had about an 8% increase in their total budgets. Most of the increases were in salaries and benefits. The El Cajon Mutual Aid cost jumped 59% and asked the County how that was calculated and if it was appropriate at this time. Mr. Yaghmaee stated he had reviewed the last eleven months of data from 2007-08 and that was how that was calculated. It was felt that the County had negotiated a contract for a certain amount and asked how it had progressed to this point today, and that it was a \$30,000 increase from the previous year. Marcy Metz, Chief, County EMS, stated that County staff could go back and review that but generally there is a cap at a certain point. It was suggested that possibly this would be an opportune time to re-negotiate this issue. There was a medic transport unit added to CSA-69 that one would think would reduce the amount of responses El Cajon would be having, but for some reason it increased 59%.

A question was raised as to when one Board member reviewed the expenses over revenue from a chart that was given to Board members the previous week from Mr. Yaghmaee, he couldn't reconcile a \$100,000 difference in the preliminary budget, and asked if there was some area he wasn't understanding? Mr. Yaghmaee responded that those numbers are basically looking at the fund balance on a particular given date. The question was asked as to how much CSA-69 would be going into reserves if the budget was approved today and Mr. Yaghmaee replied \$400,000.

It was asked if R.V. parks are being taxed as residents are. One member responded that he didn't think R.V. parks were taxed the same as mobile home parks as they are transient parks. If someone is transported from an R.V. park, they are charged a non-resident fee. Commercial properties are not charged a fee from the CSA-69.

Mr. Yaghmaee referred attendees to page 7 of the CSA-69 Revenue Forecast Report and discussed some figures there in the category of ASL Medical Billing Supplies. He also pointed out about six other options for reducing reserve spending from the same document on pages 6, 7 and 8.

III. 2008-09 BUDGET APPROVAL RESOLUTION FROM THE ADVISORY BOARD

Mr. Yaghmaee recommended two items be the most considered to reduce reserve spending in the 2008-09 budget: 1) incorporate/increase ALS medical billing for medical supplies; and 2) raising transport fees for both resident and non-resident transports.

MOTION made by Kevin Howe, Seconded by Pat Chambers, to approve the 2008-09 budget as presented with the amendment that the Ordinance will be changed to allow additional charging of these items listed above. MOTION carried. One abstention. (A subcommittee will work on those items in the interim.)

It was suggested that the contract agencies be encouraged to meet with collection agency ADPI and the County to improve communications and collections and that it would be helpful if the County could help the contract agencies connect more easily.

It was also recommended that the County re-negotiate the contract with ADPI to be more advantageous to CSA-69.

IV. INCREASE THE BENEFIT FEE BY CURRENT STATUTORY CPI AMOUNT

MOTION made by Kevin Howe, Seconded by Robin Clegg, to approve increasing the benefit fee by the current statutory CPI amount. MOTION carried.

V. ADJOURNMENT

It was suggested that the County send out information in the future by e-mail, except for people who don't have e-mail.

The next regularly scheduled CSA-69 meeting was scheduled for Thursday, September 11, 2008 at the Lakeside Fire Department Administrative Office at 4:00 p.m..

The meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Submitted by,

Vielka Daniel, County EMS