

MEMORANDUM
OFFICE OF THE
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF PLACER

TO: Honorable Board of Supervisors

FROM: Robert M. Weygandt, Supervisor District 2

DATE: October 11, 2011

SUBJECT: **COMMENDATION** - Present a Commendation thanking Daniel McBride and his wife Eileen for their contributions towards the development of the Paige Volunteer Fire Station in Lincoln.

ACTION REQUESTED

Present a Commendation thanking Daniel McBride and his wife Eileen for their contributions towards the development of the Paige Volunteer Fire Station in Lincoln.

BACKGROUND/COMMUNITY BENEFITS

Daniel McBride retired from the Air Force in 1970 after 20 years of service to our country. He spent his career as a fire fighter retiring as a Tech Sergeant, Assistant Fire Chief at Mather Air Force Base. After his military service, he continued to work at Mather as a driver operator on a crash fire truck until he retired from federal civil service in 1979.

He and his wife Eileen moved to their farm on Nicholas Road west of Lincoln in 1969. There was no fire protection in the area at that time. Recognizing the need to protect his family and home in the event of a fire, Mr. McBride purchased and restored a 1939 Dodge, Van Pelt structural pumper fire engine for his personal use.

In 1981, Mr. McBride used his fire fighting expertise to develop a volunteer fire department with the assistance of Placer County and the Division of Forestry. He and his wife donated their 1939 fire engine and their barn to create the Paige Volunteer Fire Station. There were 12 original volunteer firemen. They met weekly while Mr. McBride trained them in fire protection and use of the fire engine. The volunteer fire department used Mr. McBride's fire engine and barn for several months during the first year of operation while a two-stall fire station was being build across the street and they secured a permanent fire truck for their use.

The Board of Supervisors will honor Mr. and Mrs. McBride at the October 11, 2011 Board of Supervisors meeting for their donations and contributions to the Paige Volunteer Fire Station.

FISCAL IMPACT

None



In the matter of a Commendation thanking Daniel “Dan” Ray McBride and his wife Eileen for their contributions towards the development of the Paige Volunteer Fire Station in Lincoln.

Whereas, Daniel “Dan” Ray McBride retired from the Air Force in 1970 after 20 years of service to our country. He spent his career as a fire fighter retiring as a Tech Sergeant, Assistant Fire Chief at Mather Air Force Base. After his military service, he continued to work at Mather as a driver operator on a crash fire truck until he retired from federal civil service in 1979; and

Whereas, Dan and his wife Eileen, with their eight children, moved to the Lincoln area off Nicholas Road on June 15, 1969; and

Whereas, due to a lack of fire services in the area, Dan used his fire fighting expertise to develop the Paige Volunteer Fire Station in 1981, taking their name from their neighborhood known since 1912 as the Paige Development; and

Whereas, in May 1981, Dan and Eileen donated, with a free lease arrangement, their privately owned 1939 Dodge, Van Pelt, structural pumper fire engine to Placer County for use at the new fire station until the permanent truck arrived later that year; and

Whereas, also in 1981, Dan and Eileen donated their barn as a, “fire house” until the original two-stall fire station was completed that year on a parcel of land across the street that was donated by the Bonnifield family; and

Whereas, Dan was the first Captain before turning the station over to Captain Warren Bostick. He volunteered under Captain Bostick as Chief Advisor and Trainer while he trained the 12 original volunteer fire fighters for the station. They service the surrounding areas west of Lincoln and wherever needed; and

Whereas, pictured above is Daniel McBride in the 1939 Dodge Fire Engine that he donated to the fire station with Captain Warren Bostick standing.

Now therefore, let it be known that on this day October 11, 2011 the Placer County Board of Supervisors does hereby thank Daniel and Eileen McBride for their generous donations and contributions to develop the Paige Volunteer Fire Station which has proven to be an invaluable asset in Placer County to provide fire response and protection in the Lincoln area.

Robert M. Weygandt, Supervisor, District 2
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