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The lawsuit was filed on December 29, 2020. When the District first got notice of the initial complaint it immediately started working with counsel to correct any deficiencies. This lawsuit is can easily be settled, the board is committed to settlement and to upholding the brown act currently and in the future. As this is an ongoing legal case we cannot discuss further. All of the additional complaints, cease and desist were turned over to council and were unfounded.

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The third sentence states *the Chief, Administrative Captain and a board member resigned...* In fact the Chief Retired as the Chief, the Admin Captain did not resign.

In the recent past board members have resigned for personal and medical reasons. There are no other resignations anticipated.

Responses to incidents have not been unpredictable and disorganized. Do not know where this is coming from.

For a structure fire it is standard procedure to call in mutual aid.

The decline in volunteerism affects all volunteer departments, not just EPRFPD.

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3-4 Disagree with. We are able and do provide adequate services.

3-6. Facilities are adequate. With the exception of Iron Horse.

3-7. Open to suggest in how to deal with public, especially those not in the district, that disruptive to the meetings. With the current change in board member responsibilities we are optimistic this will change.

3-8. A new Type 3 engine would be nice but is not mandatory. A water tank at Iron Horse would be beneficial. About 10 years ago, Iron Horse Board wanted to put in a water tank. The majority of home owners did not want to, because of cost.

3-9. Disagree. Yes staffing limitations are a challenge; however, it has not resulted in unpredictable response capabilities and leadership communication issues.

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3-11 Typo says “Beckwourth FPD” should be EPRFPD?