



Sonoma County Fire District Board of Directors
Regular Board Minutes
Tuesday August 15, 2023 2:00 PM
Location: Fire Station 1 - 8200 Old Redwood Hwy. Windsor

CALL TO ORDER

Tognozzi called the meeting to order at 2:05
Present for Staff: Chief Heine, Bolduc, Washington
Present for Counsel: Adams

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

President Tognozzi- present
Vice President Treanor-present Secretary/Treasurer So-present Director Klick-present
Director Briare-present Director Hamann-present Director Weaver-present

OPEN TIME FOR PUBLIC EXPRESSION

None

AGENDA ADJUSTMENTS

None

SONOMA COUNTY PROFESSIONAL FIREFIGHTERS' ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Dennis Rutkowski spoke about the devastation in Maui and stated that there would be a donation made to their local Fire Department from Local 1401; working diligently on the tax measure; they have supported local community events including the backpack giveaway in Moorland/Bellevue area; Strategic Plan; Union is participating in raising funds for Muscular Dystrophy.

DIRECTOR REPORTS

An opportunity for Directors to report on their individual activities related to District business.

None

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

Chief Heine reviewed the activities of the crews and events over the month. He discussed; important upcoming dates for meetings and events; Fire Inspector interviews have taken place and the Chiefs interviews for them will take place this week; All of the required signatures have been met for the sales tax measure; Lytton tribe discussions are ongoing with DC Busch and the tribe; we are working to determine what our role is in coastal water rescue; state grant funding that will give us 1 million dollars towards the purchase of 2 type 3 engines; Medic Ambulance has secured a new building for EOA 1 operations; the 5 new FF/Medics start the academy this week; we will be celebrating Rocket and his retirement in the near future; we have had excellent success with grants and thank you to all of the grant team for their hard work; we are working with Kitchell on station building projects if approved by the BOD today; we hope to have the final contract from the County in the coming weeks for EOA 1.



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CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS

A motion by A motion by Treanor and a second by Hamann approved the minutes from the July 18, 2023, regular meeting, meeting and the bills and payables from July 2023. 7-0-0

ACTION ITEMS

1. **APPROVAL OF EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT WITH FIRE CHIEF MARK HEINE**

The Board will consider approving the employment agreement with Fire Chief Mark Heine.

A motion by Klick and seconded by So approved new agreement with Chief Heine. 7-0-0.

2. **ADOPTION OF SONOMA COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT STRATEGIC PLAN 2023-2026**

The Board will consider adopting the Sonoma County Fire District strategic plan for 2023-2026.

A motion by Briare and seconded by Weaver adopted the Strategic Plan 2023-2026. Director Klick stated that the history piece needs updating. 7-0-0.

3. **MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE SONOMA COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT AND THE SONOMA COUNTY PROFESSIONAL FIREFIGHTERS' ASSOCIATION, REVISION 8/15/2023**

The Board will consider approving a revision to "Appendix A" of the MOU between the Sonoma County Fire District and the Sonoma County Professional Firefighters Association.

A motion by Hamann and seconded by So approved the revision of the MOU between SCFD and Sonoma County Professional Firefighters' Association. 7-0-0.

4. **CONTRACT WITH KITCHELL FOR CONTRACT MANAGEMENT SERVICES**

The Board will consider approving a contract with Kitchell for project management services for the District's capital improvement plan.

A motion by Weaver and seconded by Briare approved new contract with Kitchell. 7-0-0.

COMMITTEE REPORT

1. Standing Committee: Finance Committee- n/a
2. Ad Hoc: Facilities- n/a

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Enclosed

COMMUNICATIONS

n/a



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CLOSED SESSION- Board and staff entered closed session at 3:00

1. Conference with Legal Counsel – Pending Litigation (Govt Code section 54956.9(a):
AMR West v. California Department of Health Care Services, Sonoma County Fire District, Sonoma Valley Fire District, City of Petaluma, et al.; Sacramento County Superior Court Case No. 34-2021-80003757
2. Anticipated Litigation (two cases) (Government Code section 54956.9(b)).

REPORT OUT ON CLOSED SESSION

Board and staff ended closed session at 3:30. Instruction given to staff; no reportable action taken.

ADJOURNMENT

3:30


Kathy Washington- Secretary to the Board