

Sonoma County Fire District Board of Directors Regular Board Meeting Minutes Tuesday March 15, 2022, 5:00PM

Location: Fire Station 1 - 8200 Old Redwood Hwy. Windsor

CALL TO ORDER

Klick called the meeting to order at 5:00 Present for Staff: Chief Heine, Bolduc, Washington Present for Counsel: Adams

TELECONFERENCE BY DIRECTOR GARY SO

Pursuant to Government Code section 54953 (b), who will be calling in from the Hampton Inn, 16115 Condit Road, Morgan Hill, CA 95037

Director So did attend via teleconference

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

President Klick-present

Director Treanor-present

Vice President Tognozzi-present Secretary/Treasurer Weaver-present

Director So-via teleconference

Director Hamann-present

Director Briare-present

REPORT OUT ON CLOSED SESSION

1. Existing Litigation - Sonoma County Fire District and California Fire Chiefs Association, Inc. vs. County of Sonoma, Sonoma County Department of Health Services. Sonoma County Superior Court, SCV-269745. (Government Code Section 54956.9(d)

Board unanimously approved a settlement agreement between the District and CalChiefs as Plaintiffs and the County of Sonoma and DHS as Defendants. In summary, Plaintiffs dismissed the litigation in case SCV-269745, without waving District H&S 1797.201 emergency ambulance service rights in EOA-1 or EOA-2. County, in its sole discretion, will consider withdrawal of the pending RFP for EOA-1. [On 2/18/22, the County withdrew the RPF for EOA-1; and at the 3/8/22 Board of Supervisors meeting, the County reported the summary of the settlement agreement]

2. Anticipated Litigation (two cases) (Government Code Section 54956.9(b)). No reportable action taken, instructions given to staff.

OPEN TIME FOR PUBLIC EXPRESSION

None

AGENDA ADJUSTMENTS

One item added to agenda-

A motion by Tognozzi and a second by So approved adjusting the agenda with this new Resolution. 7-0-0- Roll call vote.

Resolution 2022-04

RESOLUTION 2022-04 CONCURRENT RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SONOMA, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AND THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SONOMA COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT, CONSTITUTING THE PARTIES RESOLUTION OF INTENT TO APPLY TO THE SONOMA COUNTY LOCAL AREA FORMATION COMMISSION FOR REORGANIZATION OF THE SUBJECT TERRITORY INTO THE DISTRICT



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SONOMA COUNTY PROFESSIONAL FIREFIGHTERS' ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT'S REPORT

An opportunity for the President of the Sonoma County Professional Firefighters Association to address the Board on matters of the Association.

President Stornetta was happy to report that the Retirement Medical Trust has been approved by the Local 1401 members and would take effect on April 1, 2022, with final Board approval.

DIRECTOR REPORTS

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

President Klick reported that he had met with a Rancho Adobe board member to discuss the annexation process.

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

Chief Heine reviewed the activities of the crews and events over the month. He discussed; April 6 will be the LAFCO meeting which will close the Public Protest period: April 19th is our next regularly scheduled BOD meeting; Looking for a ribbon cutting ceremony for Bodega Bay in July; We have been upstaffing Medic 577 to cover for Bell's Ambulance in Windsor and we will continue as needed based on the needs of Bell's and the community; Recent promotions of Kevin Lew to Captain and Alex Ciudad-Real to Engineer; Staff contributed to reading books to the students at Mattie Washburn School; Wildfires in Monte Rio continue and there have been several controlled burns that have overwhelmed homeowners; We currently have 8 FF/Medic candidates going through Chief's interviews; Helicopter training; Chief stated that he would be on vacation 3/20-3/30.

CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS

A motion by Briare and a second by Weaver approved the minutes from the February 3, 2022, special board meeting, the February 15, 2022, regular board meeting as well as the bills and payables for February 2022. 7-0-0. Roll call vote.

ACTION ITEMS

1. RESOLUTION 2022-03 APPROVING MANDATORY EMPLOYEE CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE "MEDICAL EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENT PLAN" OF THE CALIFORNIA FIREFIGHTERS BENEFIT TRUST EFFECTIVE MARCH 1, 2022

The Board will consider approving a side letter agreement to the MOU with the Sonoma County Professional Firefighters Association; acknowledging the Association's participation in the plan; and adopting a Resolution that establishes a "medical expense reimbursement plan" for represented members of the Sonoma County Professional Firefighter's Association at no cost to the Fire District. A motion by Hamann and a second by Treanor approved the side letter agreement. 7-0-0. Roll call vote

2. CONSIDER BID FOR PROPOSAL - STATION 5 GENERATOR REPLACEMENT

The Board will consider rejecting the bid and re-advertising as allowed under Government Code section 20813(c).

A motion by Treanor and a second by Weaver approved rejecting the bid and re-advertising. 7-0-0. Roll call vote.



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3. CAPITAL FACILITY NEXT STEPS

The Board will discuss, consider, and provide direction regarding capital facilities long range options and planning, financing, priorities and next steps for project development and management. Staff recommends station rebuild needs are, in order, 4, 9, 2. Needs are to build Administration offices and EOC on site of a new station. Chief recommends securing a Project Management company soon to oversee operations of the projects. President Klick agreed, and the Board gave direction to move forward.

4. RESOLUTION 2022-04 CONCURRENT RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SONOMA, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AND THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SONOMA COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT, CONSTITUTING THE PARTIES RESOLUTION OF INTENT TO APPLY TO THE SONOMA COUNTY LOCAL AREA FORMATION COMMISSION FOR REORGANIZATION OF THE SUBJECT TERRITORY INTO THE DISTRICT

The Board will consider approving District Resolution 2022-04 consistent with the Board's approval of the Property Tax Allocation Agreement approved by the District and County in January 2022. The County Board of Supervisors approved this Concurrent Resolution as County Resolution 22-0032 on January 25, 2022.

A motion by Tognozzi and a second by Briare approved Resolution 2022-04. 7-0-0. Roll call vote.

COMMITTEE REPORT

- 1. Standing Committee: Finance Committee- Nothing to report
- 2. Ad Hoc: Facilities- Nothing to report

FINANCIAL REPORTS Enclosed

COMMUNICATIONS None

CLOSED SESSION - Entered into closed session at 6:05

3. Anticipated Litigation (one case) (Government Code Section 54956.9(b)).

REPORT OUT ON CLOSED SESSION WILL BE AT OPEN MEETING ON APRIL 19, 2022

ADJOURNMENT 6:50

Kathy Washington- Secretary to the Board