



Sonoma County Fire District Board of Directors
Regular Board Minutes
Tuesday October 22, 2024, 2:00 PM
Location: Fire Station 1 - 8200 Old Redwood Hwy. Windsor

CALL TO ORDER

Treanor called the meeting to order at 2:00
Present for Staff: Chief Heine, Washington, Bolduc
Present for Counsel: Adams

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

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

OPEN TIME FOR PUBLIC EXPRESSION

(Three-minute time limit)

This is an opportunity for any member of the public to briefly address the District Board on any matter that does not appear on this agenda. Items that appear to warrant a lengthier presentation or Board consideration may be placed on the agenda for discussion at a future meeting.

There were 4 members of the Friends of Rio Nido that attended the meeting and spoke to the Board of Directors about action item #3. They expressed their gratitude for the Boards consideration of their offer to purchase our Rio Nido station.

AGENDA ADJUSTMENTS

None

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.

Newly appointed Director, Sam Crenshaw, spoke about their elections. Stated that Captain Jason Jones is now the Deputy Director; new promotions; e-board spoke out and wrote a letter of their support for Deputy Chief Ron Busch to become the next Fire Chief; approve moving forward with Rancho Adobe.

DIRECTOR REPORTS

N/A

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

Chief Heine reviewed the activities of the crews and events over the month. He discussed; there were many community events throughout the last month; next BOD meeting is 11/19/24; Cal Chiefs conference was last week and it was well attended and a new President was sworn in; Firewise garden is complete; mutual aid response has gone well throughout the state; McGuire held a town hall meeting at SCY 3 and it was a packed house; outreach trailer completed and looks great; we had our Open House event at SCY 3 and 7 and it went well despite the rain.

SCFD-EMS STATUS REPORT

Enclosed in packet.



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CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS

A motion by Weaver and a second by Hamann approved the minutes from the September 17, 2024, and the bills and payables from September 2024. 6-0-1

ACTION ITEMS

1. AUTHORIZE THE FIRE CHIEF TO MAKE CHANGES TO THE ORGANIZATIONAL CHART TO REFLECT THE ADDITION OF POSITIONS FUNDED BY MEASURE H

A motion by Hamann and a second by Klick authorizing the Chief to add items to the organizational org chart. 6-0-1

2. VOLUNTEER PROGRAM UPDATES

A presentation by Division Chief Grinnell was made regarding changes to the updated volunteer program. He reviewed the need to implement the attendance/training, identify support vs safety and getting people re-engaged in the program.

A motion by Klick and a second by Weaver approved the new Volunteer Policy. 6-0-1

3. APPROVAL OF THE SALES AGREEMENT FOR THE RIO NIDO STATION

President Treanor spoke that he was originally against the sale because he felt that the District could get more money for it. He has since worked through some of thoughts issues and supports the sale.

President Treanor stated that he was originally against the sale because it was such a discounted price. He has since changed his mind and happy that the area surrounding the property will have a gathering place and a post office. It was also mentioned that if the property is to be sold again, it would come back to the Fire District. Director Weaver is grateful for the process. Director Klick is proud of the transition.

A motion by Weaver and a second by Hamann approved the sale of the Rio Nido station to the Friends of Rio Nido for 10k, 6-0-1

COMMITTEE REPORT

1. Standing Committee: Finance – N/A
2. Standing Committee: Facilities – N/A
3. Ad Hoc Committee: Fire Chief transition- Director Klick spoke about the transition and Chief Heine mentioned he was thankful for the process. It was stated that we would add more about the transitioning on the November agenda.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Enclosed

COMMUNICATIONS

Enclosed



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CLOSED SESSION- Staff entered closed session at 2:50.

1. Anticipated Litigation (two cases) (Government Code section 54956.9(b)).
2. Conference with Real Property Negotiator (Government Code Section 54956.8) Property: 14770 Rio Nido Road APN 070-295-Agency Negotiator: Deputy Chief Busch
Negotiating Parties: The Friends of Rio Nido Under Negotiation: Price and terms of payment under negotiation

This item was tabled from closed session.

3. Public Employee Performance Evaluation (Government Code Section 54957)
 - a. Fire Chief

This item was tabled from closed session.

REPORT OUT ON CLOSED SESSION - staff exited closed session at 3:45. "board of directors gave instructions to staff, no reportable action."

ADJOURNMENT

3:45


Kathy Washington- Secretary to the Board