



NORTHERN SONOMA COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

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MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING

February 16, 2023 AT 6:00 PM

This meeting was held in person with the option of joining via Zoom.

1. OPENING GREETING:

- a. Meeting Called to Order by Director Paul Bernier at 6:00 PM
- b. Pledge of Allegiance
- c. Roll Call: Directors Paul Bernier, Fred Peterson, Larry Heiges, Rob Stewart and Scott Newman were present. Chief Marshall Turbeville, and Administrative Manager Anneke Turbeville were also present. Treasurer Michael Pigoni was attending via Zoom.
- d. Approval of the Agenda: Anneke Turbeville made a request to add one bill from LCW to the consent calendar. **A motion was made and seconded (Peterson/Newman) to approve the agenda with that addition. All ayes.**

2. **PUBLIC DISCUSSION:** Margie Hanselman announced that there will be a free shredding event from 9 AM to 1 PM Saturday at the post office.

3. OLD BUSINESS:

- a. Strategic Planning Update: Consultant Walter Keiser presented an update to the strategic plan.
- b. Fire Station Updates: Chief Turbeville reported that Station 1 has roof issues and Station 4 needs a culvert replaced. Rob Stewart voiced concerns that the Station 2 project will go over budget. The Board supports the concept but hasn't pledged any money to the project.

4. NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Consideration of Approval to Hire a Bookkeeper: Michael Pigoni suggested the Board come up with a plan of what the Board wants the job to be and how much they are willing to pay. Pigoni will help come up with a description of this position.
- b. Consideration of Approval to Create a District-Wide Service Zone: The Board supports a district-wide service zone and will prepare something.
- c. Consideration of Approval to send Special Tax Zone Invoices: **A motion was made and seconded (Peterson/Heiges) to send two invoices to fix special fire tax billing errors. All ayes.**
- d. Resolution 2022/2023-0216-01: **A motion was made and seconded (Heiges/Peterson) to approve Resolution 2022/2023-0216-01, adding Sanford Kingsley to the advisory committee. All ayes.**
- e. Resolution 2022/2023-0216-02, -03, and -04: **A motion was made and seconded (Heiges/Peterson) to approve the Resolution 2022/2023-0216-02, Resolution 2022/2023-0216-03, and Resolution 2022/2023-0216-04 approving the filing of up to three grant applications. All ayes.**
- f. Resolution 2022/2023-0216-05: **A motion was made and seconded (Peterson/Heiges) to adopt the CalVTP Project-Specific Analysis and Addendum for the Geyser Peak to Pocket Peak Fuel Break. All ayes.**
- g. Discussion of Fitch Mountain and Sotoyome Emergency Response: Fred Peterson wants to educate and work with Fitch Mountain and Sotoyome areas. **A motion was made and seconded**

(Newman/Heiges) to support the effort to educate and work with Fitch Mountain and Sotoyome emergency response. All ayes.

- h. Discussion of Fire Sales Tax Measure: The Board will decide a stance on this topic at a future meeting.
 - i. CSDA Call for Nominations: There were no interested candidates for CSDA. However, the Board decided to rotate director positions within the District. Fred Peterson will take over as President, Scott Newman will take over as Vice President, Rob Stewart will assume Treasurer and Larry Heiges will take over as Secretary.
5. **MINUTES: A motion was made and seconded (Stewart/Peterson) to approve the minutes from the January 7, 2023 Special Meeting. All ayes. A motion was made and seconded (Stewart/Peterson) to approve the minutes from the January 19, 2023 Regular Meeting. All ayes.**
6. **FINANCIAL REPORT:** Director Newman presented the current financial reports.
7. **CONSENT CALENDAR:**
- a. Warrants: **A motion was made and seconded (Newman/Peterson) to approve the January/February warrants. All ayes.**
 - b. Budget Revisions: **A motion was made and seconded (Peterson/Newman) to approve the revisions to the 2022/2023 budget as presented. All ayes.**
8. **CHIEF'S REPORT:** Fire Chief Marshall Turbeville reported on facilities, apparatus, incidents, fuel reduction projects and the AmeriCorps. There will be a structure fire training burn on March 11.
9. **PRESIDENT'S REPORT:** President Bernier announced that he will announce his resignation from the Board at the next meeting. Officer elections will be held at the next meeting.
10. **GEYSERVILLE VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS' ASSOCIATION REPORT:** The Blood Drive collected 60 units of blood and served hundreds of tacos. We are hosting a Women in Public Safety booth on March 18. The GVFA is purchasing a blade for the masticator.
11. **NORTHERN SONOMA COUNTY FIRE JPA COMMITTEE REPORT:** The committee will meet next on Tuesday.
12. **CORRESPONDENCE:** None.
13. **GOOD OF THE ORDER:** None.
14. **ADJOURNMENT OF THE MEETING: A motion was made and seconded (Heiges/Newman) to adjourn the meeting at 8:09 PM. All ayes.**

Minutes approved as written- Motion/Second: Paul Bernier/ Rob Stewart

Clerk of the Board: Annika Turbeville Date: 3/16/2023

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