



NORTHERN SONOMA COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

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MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING JANUARY 20, 2022 AT 7:00 PM

Pursuant to California Assembly Bill 361, the District is authorized to hold public meetings remotely and to make those meetings accessible to all members of the public seeking to observe and to address the Board by remote means. This meeting was held via Zoom.

1. OPENING GREETING:

- a. Meeting Called to Order by President Paul Bernier at 7:02 PM
- b. Pledge of Allegiance
- c. Roll Call: Directors Fred Peterson, Scott Newman and Paul Bernier were present; Fire Chief Marshall Turbeville and Administrative Manager Anneke Turbeville were also present.
- d. Approval of the Agenda: **A motion was made and seconded (Peterson/Newman) to approve the agenda. All ayes.**

2. PUBLIC DISCUSSION: None

3. **APPOINTMENT OF DIRECTOR TO VACANT POSITION:** Anneke Turbeville announced that there was one candidate, Larry Heiges, for the vacant director position. **A motion was made and seconded (Peterson/Newman) to appoint Larry Heiges to the vacant director position. All ayes.** Larry Heiges took the oath of office, administered by Anneke Turbeville.

4. OLD BUSINESS:

- a. Fire Station Updates and Discussion: Scott Newman has a proposal from an architect. He is optimistic there will be a site for a station in Knights Valley. MAC will be providing \$12,000 to \$50,000 for station design.
- b. Consolidation and Annexation: This will remain on the agenda. Marshall Turbeville reported that the Tax Exchange Agreement is going to the Board of Supervisors next Tuesday. He would like to hold a special meeting to approve the annexation resolution; the Board agreed to hold a special meeting on January 27, 2022, at 1 pm.
- c. Discussion of special tax zone billing: Gene Schnair and Marshall Turbeville have been working on the parcels for the billing.

5. NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Purchase Request: **A motion was made and seconded (Peterson/Newman) to approve the purchase of radios for \$3,441.06. All ayes.**

6. **MINUTES:** **A motion was made and seconded (Peterson/Newman) to approve the December 16, 2021 regular meeting minutes and the January 12, 2022 special meeting minutes. All ayes.**

7. **FINANCIAL REPORT:** Scott Newman reviewed the financials. Marshall Turbeville reported that we have received about 60% of property taxes and we are on track to receive the full budgeted amount.

8. **CONSENT CALENDAR:** A motion was made and seconded (Peterson/Newman) to pay the bills. All ayes. Fred Peterson encouraged the district to submit a bill for surveyor fees to the county.

9. **CHIEF'S REPORT:** Chief Turbeville presented his monthly report.

- a. 30 calls this month
 - No chimney fire in 2021, but 2 so far in 2022
 - No significant calls
 - Bryce Turbeville finished 6 fire danger signs so far
 - Auggie's name is on the new water tender below the driver side window
 - He hopes to get the Ag and Open Space grant
 - We may get the Cal Fire grant we previously submitted
 - We continue to work on Fitch Mountain
 - He wants to hire full time crew people and someone to supervise them
 - AmeriCorps team is here until April 1st, currently going through training and doing non-grant work
 - Scott Newman reported a CWPP meeting at Pepperwood; Pepperwood wants to be part of our CWPP and would like to hire a grant writer

10. **PRESIDENT'S REPORT:** Paul Bernier had no report.

11. **GEYSERVILLE VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS' ASSOCIATION REPORT:** Fred Peterson reported the blood drive tomorrow. There will be street tacos and mariachi music. He reported on donations received so far and money given to fuels crew. He noted that the JPA ad hoc committee plans to meet once per month to stay on track and plans to hold a joint board meeting.

12. **CORRESPONDENCE:** None

13. **GOOD OF THE ORDER:** Fred Peterson reported a fire district meeting next Thursday. Anneke Turbeville asked if everyone was happy with the new ordering of the agenda; everyone is satisfied. Paul Bernier announced that he learned how to split his screen while using Zoom.

14. **ADJOURNMENT OF THE MEETING:** A motion was made and seconded (Newman/Heiges) to adjourn the meeting at 7:58 PM. All ayes.

Minutes approved as written- Motion/Second: Heiges/Peterson

Clerk of the Board: Shirley Turbeville Date: 2/17/2022

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