



Northern Sonoma County Fire Protection District  
Minutes Regular Board of Directors' Meeting  
Thursday, May 15, 2025 at 6 PM  
Geyserville Fire Station – 20975 Geyserville Ave, Geyserville, CA

## 1. Opening Greeting

- a. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Director Stewart at 6:00 PM.
- b. Roll Call: Rob Stewart, Larry Heiges, Pat Abercrombie, Fred Peterson, and Scott Newman were present. Fire Chief Marshall Turbeville arrived later. Administrative Manager Anneke Turbeville and Treasurer Pigoni were also present.
- c. Pledge of Allegiance
- d. Approval or Amendment of the Agenda: **A motion was made and seconded (Abercrombie/Peterson) to approve the agenda. All ayes.**

## 2. Public Discussion

None.

## 3. Old Business

- a. Cloverdale/Northern Sonoma County Fire JPA
  - **A motion was made and seconded (Peterson/Heiges) to adopt the JPA Side Letter for extension of the JPA. All ayes.**
  - **A motion was made and seconded (Stewart/Newman) to form a retirement advisory ad hoc committee to study the directive to explore CalPERS. All ayes.** Larry Heiges and Rob Stewart were named as committee members. A discussion followed about the possibility of holding a special meeting/study session to give directors an opportunity to discuss consolidation. Rob Stewart said that everyone can give their thoughts and vision(s) about consolidation to him.
- b. Policies
  - **A motion was made and seconded (Newman/Heiges) to approve the five policies presented tonight (Wellness Program, Board Meetings, Board Meeting Agendas, Board Minutes, Board Member Vacancies). All ayes.**

## 4. New Business

- a. Sonoma County Living Wage

- **A motion was made and seconded (Peterson/Abercrombie) to adopt the Sonoma County Living Wage of \$23.15/hour for the positions of Forestry Technician 1 and Seasonal Firefighter starting July 1<sup>st</sup>. All ayes.**

## **5. Minutes**

- a. **A motion was made and seconded (Peterson/Newman) to approve the April 17, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes. All ayes.**

## **6. Financial Report**

Pat Abercrombie noted that the Finance Committee is looking at the reserve funds.

## **7. Consent Calendar**

- a. **A motion was made and seconded (Newman/Peterson) to approve the April checks issued (All ayes).**

## **8. Chief's Report**

Chief Turbeville reported that there will be a facilities presentation in June, with action items to follow in July. Walter Keiser has been involved in looking at finance options for the facilities update. He added that Cloverdale Fire has adopted about 50% of our policies. Larry Heiges congratulated Chief on the completed fuel break. Chief noted that he is waiting on FEMA for the go-ahead on the next fuel break. Another unit is in design and will need funding. Scott Newman commented that the FAIRA team realizes they need to seek protection for our work.

## **9. Correspondence**

None.

## **10. Good of the Order**

Fred Peterson thanked staff for the Knights Valley meeting. Pat Abercrombie said he wished he had known about the badge pinning ceremony. Fred Peterson announced that June 1<sup>st</sup> is the expo at the fairgrounds, and they are looking for volunteers. Scott Newman said he cannot be at the June Board meeting.

## **11. Adjournment of the Meeting**

A motion was made and seconded (Peterson/Abercrombie) to adjourn the meeting at 6:54 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

*Anneke Turbeville*

Anneke Turbeville, Clerk of the Board

Date Approved by the Board: June 19, 2025