



NORTHERN SONOMA COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING JUNE 18, 2020 AT 7:00 PM

This meeting will be held in person at the Geyserville Fire Station located at 20975 Geyserville Avenue.

Due to Coronavirus-19 pandemic, the meeting will be held in the apparatus bay to allow for social distancing and will be open to the public meeting the following criteria:

- Have not been overseas in the past 14 days
- Have not had contact with anyone tested positive with Coronavirus in the last 14 days
- Have not had or currently have a high fever, cough, or shortness of breath in the last 14 days

All attendees shall always be required to wear a mask, maintain proper social distancing, and sanitize hands after entering the building.

Pursuant to the Governor of California's Executive Order N-29-20 dated March 17, 2020, and for those that prefer to maximize public safety, this meeting will also occur via teleconference 425-436-6365 access code:589356#

1. OPENING GREETING:

- a. Meeting Called to Order by President Rob Stewart
- b. Pledge of Allegiance
- c. Roll Call: Rob Stewart [] Fred Peterson [] Tatsuo Okaya [] Paul Bernier [] Scott Newman []
- d. Approval of the Agenda

2. **PUBLIC DISCUSSION:** The public is welcomed and encouraged to address the Board at this time on matters not on the Agenda. Please be advised that pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.2, the Board is not permitted to take action on any matter not on the Agenda unless it determines that an emergency exists or the need to take action arose after the posting of the Agenda. This period will be limited to thirty minutes and individual speakers will be limited to five minutes.

3. **MINUTES:** Review and approval of the minutes from the June 21, 2020 Regular Meeting.

4. **FINANCIAL REPORT:** Review of current financial reports.

5. CONSENT CALENDAR:

- a. Review and approval of May/June warrants to be paid.
- b. Fiscal year 2019/2021 Budget Revisions: Adjust budget accounts in revenue and expense categories to reflect year to date and remaining fiscal year expected spending and income.

6. **CHIEF'S REPORT:** Review and questions regarding the Chief's monthly report and any verbal updates on the status of the District and matters pertaining to the operation of the Department.

7. **PRESIDENT'S REPORT:** Report from the Northern Sonoma County Fire Protection District Board President

8. **GEYSERVILLE FIREFIGHTER EMPLOYEE ASSOCIATION REPORT:** Report from the GFEA Liaison

9. **GEYSERVILLE VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS' ASSOCIATION REPORT:** Report from the GVFA Liaison

10. **KNIGHTS VALLEY REPORT:** Report from Knights Valley Board

11. CORRESPONDENCE: This time is set aside to read any letters or related correspondence to the Fire Department.

12. OLD BUSINESS:

- a. Consolidation and Annexation: Discussion and exploration of possible future annexations and consolidations with neighboring fire departments and corresponding tax agreements.
- b. Alexander Valley Fire Station: Discussion and updates on the pursuit of money from MAC for the maintenance of the Alexander Valley Fire Station.
- c. (Proposed) Chalk Hill Fire Station: The District is currently looking for a site to build a fire station to better serve the Chalk Hill area. Updates will be given on the search for a new location and suggestions for sites to explore.
- d. Knights Valley Lease: Ongoing discussion regarding a lease with the Knights Valley Volunteer Fire 501c3 for the use of the Knights Valley fire station.
- e. SOPA-37 Vegetation Management Positions: This resolution addresses the job positions within the vegetation management program of the District.
- f. SOPA-15 Volunteer Fire Suppression Personnel: Last July, this resolution was mistakenly adopted as SOPA-4 instead of SOPA-15. This resolution replaces SOPA-15 Volunteer Firefighters.
- g. Wages/salaries for FY 2020/2021: Discussion and approval of Firefighter wages for upcoming fiscal year.
- h. Employee Retirement: Discussion and approval of retirement contributions for current employees.
- i. 457 Administration Fees: A decision will be made regarding District payment of plan management fees.
- j. Fiscal Year 2020/2021 Preliminary Budget: Review, discuss and approve a preliminary budget for the fiscal year 2020/2021.

13. NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Dry Creek Rancheria Fire Department Update: Presentation by Chief Epstein.
- b. Sonoma County Hazard Mitigation Planning Partnership: Intent to Participate in the Sonoma County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan Update.
- c. SOPA-24 Volunteer Personnel Reimbursement: This resolution addresses uniform and other expenses incurred by volunteer personnel.
- d. Resolution 20/21-0716-01 Adopting the Proposition 4 Appropriation Limit for the Fiscal Year 2020/2021: Presentation of the prop 4 limits for next fiscal year.
- e. Fuel Reduction Fee Schedule: Presentation of proposed fee schedule for Fuels Crew to enable community to hire crew.

14. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION: Fire Chief and Administrative Manager evaluations, pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.

15. RECONVENE TO REGULAR MEETING: Announce any decisions made in the closed session.

16. GOOD OF THE ORDER: This time is set aside for comments from the Board members and the public regarding general interest such as special events, parties, announcements, fundraisers, etc.

17. ADJOURNMENT OF THE MEETING:

Discussion and schedule of the next regular meeting to be held on July 16, 2020 at 7:00 P.M.

The District does not transcribe its proceedings. Anyone who desires a verbatim record of this meeting should arrange for attendance by a court reporter or for other acceptable means of recordation. The public is allowed to use any form of audio or video recording, absent a reasonable finding by the Board that this action will disrupt proceedings. Such arrangements will be at the sole expense of the individual requesting the recordation. Questions about this agenda – call the Fire District's Office at 707/857-4373.