NORTHERN SONOMA COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT



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# **BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING**

## April 20, 2023 AT 6:00 PM

Geyserville Fire Station - 20975 Geyserville Avenue, Geyserville, CA 95541

Telephone: 669-900-6833 Meeting ID: 870 0807 0562 Meeting Link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87008070562?pwd=c1RxQjRpOW1hcWh0clNsZUtONkZTQT09

#### 1. OPENING GREETING:

- a. Meeting Called to Order by President Fred Peterson
- b. Pledge of Allegiance
- c. Roll Call: Rob Stewart [] Fred Peterson [] Larry Heiges [] 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. APPOINTMENT OF DIRECTOR TO VACANT POSITION:** The Board will appoint a new director to the Northern Sonoma County Fire Protection District, pursuant to Section 1780 of the Government Code.

### 4. OLD BUSINESS:

- a. Consideration of Approval to Create a District-Wide Service Zone: The Board will consider approval to create a Service Zone to make vegetation management a responsibility of the Northern Sonoma County Fire Protection District.
- b. Update on City and Planning Unit Outreach Efforts: Board members and Chief will report on any meetings or contacts during the past month and plans for upcoming meetings.
- c. Discussion of Fire Sales Tax Measure: The Board will discuss the potential fire sales tax measure, including where it currently sits, and begin formulating questions about the proposed tax.
- d. Strategic Planning Ad Hoc Committee Updates: Updates from the committee and discussion/approval of Consulting Services Agreement for Kieser Advisory Services.
- e. Fire Station Updates: Discuss any updates on potential and existing sites and facilities.
- f. Consideration of Approval to Hire Bookkeeper: The Board will consider approval to hire a bookkeeper or accountant for financial assistance with grants and other financial matters.

### 5. NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Purchase Request: Purchase approval for 4 mobile radios for up to \$15,000
- b. Purchase Request: Purchase approval for masticator lighting components up to \$6,000
- c. JPA Side Letter: Review and approval of amendment to the Cloverdale/Northern Sonoma County Fire JPA for mechanic position.

- d. Approval of Resolution 22/23-0420-01: Authorizing participation in and approving the amended and restated joint exercise of Powers of Agreement of the Fire Risk Management Services Joint Powers Authority.
- e. Introduction and discussion of New Policies:
  - i. Policy 211: Procurement Policy
  - ii. Policy 801: Release of Records
  - iii. Policy 1041: Member Speech, Expression and Social Networking
- f. Fire Chief Evaluation: Discuss fire chief evaluation process and SOPA-08A
- **6. MINUTES:** Review and approval of the minutes from the March 16, 2023 Meeting and the March 30, 2023 Special Meeting.
- 7. FINANCIAL REPORT: Review of current financial reports.

#### 8. CONSENT CALENDAR:

- a. Warrants: Review and approval of March/April warrants to be paid.
- **9.** 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.
- **10. PRESIDENT'S REPORT:** Report from the Northern Sonoma County Fire Protection District Board President
- 11. GEYSERVILLE VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS' ASSOCIATION REPORT: Report from the GVFA Liaison
- **12. NORTHERN SONOMA COUNTY FIRE JPA COMMITTEE REPORT:** Report from the Northern Sonoma County Fire JPA Committee
- **13. CORRESPONDENCE:** This time is set aside to read any letters or related correspondence to the Fire Department.
  - a. Northern Sonoma County Air Pollution Control District Notice of Public Hearing
- **14. FUTURE/POTENTIAL AGENDA ITEMS:** This time is set aside to bring up overview of future/potential agenda items to consider and put on collective radar.
- **15. 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.
- **16. ADJOURNMENT OF THE MEETING:** Discussion and schedule of the next regular meeting to be held on May 18, 2023 at 6:00 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.