

SCOTTS VALLEY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

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MINUTES OF THE SCOTTS VALLEY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING OF July 8, 2020

Notice of Teleconferenced Meeting

Pursuant to Governor Newsom's Executive Order N-25-20 regarding COVID-19, members of the Scotts Valley Fire Protection District Board of Directors and staff participated in this meeting by teleconference. To reduce the spread of COVID-19, members of the public were encouraged to listen to the meeting from their homes via teleconference by calling +1 408-638-0968, enter the meeting number when prompted (94132902602) and entering Access Code 378973 or connecting to the meeting online via their computer, smart phone or tablet at the following link: https://zoom.us/j/94132902602?pwd=NDV5REJucDhjbUhyYnpSTDJnUStvZz09

1. Call to Order

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Scotts Valley Fire Protection District (SVFPD) was held on Wednesday, July 8 2020. President Pisciotta called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

1.1 Pledge of Allegiance and Moment of Silence

President Pisciotta called for the Pledge of Allegiance and a Moment of Silence to follow.

1.2 Roll Call

A. Directors Present:

Directors Campbell, Harmon, Parker, Patterson and Pisciotta

B. Directors Absent:

None

C. Fire District Staff:

Chief Kovacs, Battalion Chief Whittle and Administrative Secretary

Walton

2. Public Comment (GC §54954.3)

Chief Kovacs presented a public comment submitted by Christina Granados who is a Partnership Specialist with the U.S. Census Bureau. Christina thanked the SVFPD, as a trusted voice in our community, for spreading the word about the 2020 Census. Santa Cruz County has achieved a 65.7% self-response and by working with community leaders, hopes to raise that response by ten percent over the next thirty days. Christina stressed the importance of achieving a full and accurate count on the 2020 Census to help secure federal funding for programs that benefit Santa Cruz County Residents. You can respond to the 2020 Census in about 10 minutes over the phone, via paper form or online at 2020census.gov and it is strictly confidential and protected by law. Chief Kovacs concluded that we will include the 2020 Census information on the SVFPD Facebook page.

3. Agenda Amendments (GC §54954.2) – Discussion/Action None

4. Consent Calendar

- 4.1 Minutes: Approve Regular Board Meeting Minutes of June 10, 2020
- 4.2 Minutes: Approve Special Board Meeting Minutes of June 16, 2020
- 4.3 Payroll: Approve June Payroll 12 and 13 in the amount of: \$295,210.62
- 4.4 Expenditures: Approve Expenditures for June in the Amount of:

General Fund: \$40,057.44 Capital Outlay: \$10,807.35 SCHMIT: \$1,504.66 TOTAL: \$52,369.45

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On motion of Director Campbell seconded by Director Parker to Approve Consent Calendar Items 4.1 through 4.4 was approved by the following vote:

AYES:

Campbell, Harmon, Parker, Patterson and Pisciotta

NOES: ABSENT: None None

ABSTAIN:

None

- 5. Action Item
 - 5.1 None
- 6. Board of Directors and Administrative Reports Information/Discussion

(No action will be taken on any questions raised by the Board at this time.)

6.1 Board of Directors Report - Directors

Director Campbell reported that the Negotiations Committee met with the Administrative Staff and will have information to report in Closed Session. A tentative agreement has been reached with the Union and Chief Officers.

President Pisciotta reported that the Finance Committee met and reviewed the SVFPD financial status.

6.2 Administrative Report – Chief Officers

The Administrative Report for July was included in the board packet and Chief Kovacs added the following:

- New door locks have been installed at the stations and can be accessed with key fobs, cellphones and combos.
- The next federal stimulus package will include Special Districts but the details are not available at this time.
- The Board received the Grand Jury report and Administrative Captain Vandervoort is working on a response, which will be approved by the Board at the next Board Meetings.
- There has been an uptick in Covid cases so there will likely be a scaling back or additional closures.
- The Erba Station generator has been ordered and should be received and installed in the next few weeks.
- E2538 is on a Strike Team in Gilroy for a few more days, which is currently 60% contained.
- Battalion Chief McNeil's Mother-in-law passed away and we send our condolences.
- The Board Meeting documents for signature will be in the front office so please stop by and sign.
- 7. Correspondence Information
 - 7.1 Incident Thank You Letter

The Board received and filed the correspondence.

- 8. Request for Future Agenda Items None
- 9. Closed Session: Government Code §54957.7
 - 9.1 Conference with Labor Negotiators: Government Code §54957.6

 Agency Designated Representatives: Robert Campbell and Joe Parker

 Employee Organization: All
 - 9.2 Fire Chief Performance Review: Government Code §54957

At 6:11 p.m., President Pisciotta announced that the Board would be going in to Closed Session for the Items listed in 9.1 and 9.2.

10. Open Session

10.1 Report on Closed Session: Government Code §54957.1

At 6:45 p.m., the Board reconvened to open session and President Pisciotta reported that no Action was taken for Item 9.1 and 9.2.

11. Adjournment

The meeting was adjurned at 6:46 p.m.

ATTEST Daron Pisciotta

Board President

Steve M. Kovacs
Board Secretary