

SCOTTS VALLEY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

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MINUTES OF THE

SCOTTS VALLEY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

REGULAR MEETING OF

June 9, 2021

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 may participate in this meeting by teleconference. To reduce the spread of COVID-19, members of the public are encouraged to listen to the meeting from their homes via teleconference by calling +1 408-638-0968, enter the meeting number when prompted (9018843055) and entering Access Code 119495 or connecting to the meeting online via their computer, smart phone or tablet at the following link: https://zoom.us/i/9018843055?pwd=SG5zQzI3MTZmVFI5ZStwMWxSdEc4Zz09

1. Call to Order

1.1 Pledge of Allegiance and Moment of Silence

At 6:00 p.m., President Parker called for the Pledge of Allegiance and a Moment of Silence to follow.

1.2 Roll Call

A. Directors Present:

Directors Harmon, Parker and Patterson

B. Directors Absent:

Directors Campbell and Pisciotta

C. Fire District Staff:

Chief Whittle, Battalion Chiefs LoFranco and Stubendorff,

and Administrative Services Manager Walton

2. Closed Session: Government Code §54957.7

2.1 <u>Conference with Labor Negotiators: Government Code §54957.6</u>

<u>Agency Designated Representatives: Joe Parker and Ed Harmon Employee Organization: Confidential Employees</u>

At 6:01 p.m., President Parker announced that the Board would be going into Closed Session for the purpose listed in Item 2.1.

3. Open Session

3.1 Report on Closed Session: Government Code §54957.1

At 6:31 p.m., the Board reconvened to open session and President Parker reported that the Board Discussed Labor negotiations with no action taken.

4. Public Comment (GC §54954.3)

None

5. Agenda Amendments (GC §54954.2) – Discussion/Action

President Parker stated that it was necessary to remove from the Agenda Action Item 8.1: Approved the Memorandum of Understanding with the Confidential Employees for July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2025.

On motion of Director Harmon seconded by Director Patterson to Remove Action Item 8.1 from the Agenda was approved by the following vote:

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AYES: Harmon, Parker and Patterson

NOES: None

ABSENT: Campbell and Pisciotta

ABSTAIN: None

6. Consent Calendar

6.1 Approve Regular Board Meeting Minutes of May 12, 2021

- 6.2 Approve May Payroll 9 and 10 in the amount of: \$309,672.43
- 6.3 Approve May Expenditures in the Amount of:

General Fund: \$89,552.20

<u>Capital Outlay/Zone A:</u> \$ 1,088.72 <u>SCHMIT:</u> \$ 7,794.57 TOTAL: \$98,435.49

- 6.4 <u>Authorize Payment to Santa Cruz County Fire Agencies Insurance Group not to Exceed \$375,000 for Workers Compensation Insurance to be Paid After July 1, 2021, for the 2021/2022 Fiscal Year</u>
- Authorize Payment to CalPERS in the amount of \$876,446, for the Safety Plan's Unfunded Liability

 Annual Lump Sum Prepayment Option to be Paid After July 1, 2021, for the 2021/2022 Fiscal Year
- Adopt Resolution 2021-7: California Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES) Form 130 Designating
 Agents Necessary to Provide for All Matters Pertaining to State and Federal Emergency Management
 Agency (FEMA) Reimbursements

On motion of Director Patterson seconded by Director Harmon to Approve Consent Calendar Items 6.1 through 6.6 was approved by the following vote:

AYES: Harmon, Parker and Patterson

NOES: None

ABSENT: Campbell and Pisciotta

ABSTAIN: None

7. Discussion Items

7.1 None

8. Action Items – Discussion/Action

8.1 Approve the Memorandum of Understanding with the Confidential Employees for July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2025

Item 8.1 was removed from the Agenda.

9. Board of Directors and Administrative Reports – Information/Discussion

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

9.1 Board of Directors Report – Directors

None

9.2 <u>Administrative Report – Chief Officers</u>

The Administrative Report was included in the board packet and Chief Whittle and Battalion Chiefs LoFranco and Stubendorff reported on the following:

- All crews attended the county block training wildland drill. Thank you to Captain Petteys and Engineer Crivello and Nehf for helping coordinate and run the training.
- Battalion Chief LoFranco, Captain Cortes and B-Shift hosted a joint PCF drill consisting of RT130 skills with Central and Branciforte Fire at Skypark.

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- Battalion Chief Stubendorff and Firefighter Smiley instructed a three day vehicle extrication course for the Santa Cruz County Fire Academy.
- The Santa Cruz County Fire Academy is completed and all four SVFPD cadets passed and have been moved from Volunteer status to Paid Call Firefighter.
- The countywide Active Shooter Drill will be from June 23-30th and Chief Whittle offered to accompany the Board if anyone was interested in observing the drill.
- A-Shift responded to a wildland fire off Graham Hill, which was quickly contained with the help of Cal Fire and due to the vegetation management recommendations the SVFPD gave prior and were implemented.
- The crews have recently responded to a few major medical calls and have done an excellent job providing life saving measures.
- A large shipment has been received from CAL OES, which included N95 masks, gloves, gowns and face shields.
- Administrative staff has been working to close the current fiscal year, start the new fiscal year and compile
 data for the financial audit.
- Engineer Cahir has been on light duty and working on physical inventory and assisting with hazard complaint inspections. Since Engineer Cahir will be off for approximately four months, a paid call firefighter will be temporarily assigned to shift pending availability, which will save the SVFPD around \$20,000 in overtime costs.
- Chief Whittle met with Scotts Valley City Council Member Reed to assess the vegetation condition around Skypark and Council Member Timm to assess the City property around Granite Creek Estates.
- Chief Whittle commended Battalion Chief McNeil and the crews for the Glenwood Station bathroom remodel, interior paint and new floors. In addition, a superior job was done by the exterior painting contractor and the Board was encouraged to stop by the Glenwood Station to take a look.

9.3 Administration of Fire Services Agreement with the Branciforte Fire Protection District Report

Chief Whittle stated that the BFPD had a special meeting to discuss options but nothing new to report at this time. The progress is slow but they are moving forward and will continue the discussion at their regular Board Meeting next week.

- **10.** Correspondence Information 10.1 None
- 11. Request for Future Agenda Items
 None
- 12. Adjournment

ATTEST

The meeting was adjourned at 6:58 p.m.

Joe Parker

Board President

Ron Whittle

Board Secretary

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