

SCOTTS VALLEY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

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MINUTES OF THE SCOTTS VALLEY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING OF December 13, 2023

1. Call to Order

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Scotts Valley Fire Protection District (SVFPD) was held on Wednesday, December 13, 2023 at the City of Scotts Valley Council Chambers. 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 Cosner, Hurst, Parker, Patterson and Pisciotta

B. Directors Absent:

None

C. Fire District Staff:

Battalion Chiefs McNeil and Stubendorff and Administrative Services Manager Walton

2. Public Comment (GC §54954.3)

No Public Comment.

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

No Agenda Amendments.

- 4. Consent Calendar
 - 4.1 Minutes: Approve Regular Board Meeting Minutes of November 8, 2023
 - 4.2 Minutes: Approve Special Board Meeting Minutes of November 29, 2023
 - 4.3 Approve SVFPD Claims Disbursements for the Month of November 1, 2023 through November 30, 2023 in the Amount of:

 Payroll and Benefits:
 \$722,662.00

 General Fund:
 \$68,765.48

 Capital Outlay:
 \$20,770.83

 SCHMIT:
 \$4,676.59

 TOTAL:
 \$816,874.90

- 4.4 Adopt Regular Board Meeting Dates for 2024
- 4.5 Approve Policy 2108 Branciforte Service Zone Advisory Commission

On motion of Director Cosner seconded by Director Parker to Approve the Consent Calendar was approved by the following vote:

AYES:

Cosner, Hurst, Parker, Patterson and Pisciotta

NOES:

None

ABSENT: ABSTAIN:

None None

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5. Discussion Items

5.1 Branciforte (BFPD) Annexation Update

Battalion Chief McNeil stated that a memo was included in the Board Packet with the BFPD Reorganization update. LAFCO executed the Reorganization on December 8, 2023 and we have responded to three calls in the BFPD area.

Director Parker stated that the recommendation was to remove the BFPD Annexation Discussion Item from future agendas, which the Board removed.

Becky Steinbruner spoke to the Board regarding the BFPD Reorganization. Becky Steinbruner stated that now that the BFPD Reorganization has been completed, she would take legal action in ten days if the Board did not make a plan to move from at large elections to district-based elections. Becky Steinbruner provided the Board with a letter of intent to file legal action.

6. Action Items - Discussion/Action

6.1 None

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

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

7.1 Board of Directors Report – Directors

Director Parker stated that he had a conversation with Chief Correira and the Labor Group regarding staffing with the new BFPD employees, which will be an ongoing discussion.

President Pisciotta stated that he met with Chief Correira and Cameron Weist to discuss the election and options moving forward.

7.2 Administrative Report – Chief Officers

Battalion Chief McNeil stated that the administrative report was included in the Board Packet and added that he has been working on the BFPD permits for the new building, which are due to expire and have not been finalized. Battalion Chief McNeil stated that he was able to get a copy of the deed for the BFPD property.

Battalion Chief Stubendorff stated that in November, crews responded to 195 calls including 4 fires (2 vehicles fires, a structure fire and mutual aid fire).

8. Correspondence

8.1 Scotts Valley High School Haunted House Thank You Letter

The Board received and filed the correspondence.

9. Request for Future Agenda Items

10. Election of Board Officers for Calendar Year 2024, Discussion/Action

10.1 President

President Pisciotta stated that based on past practice, the current Vice President would be the next Board President and Director Parker stated that would work for him.

On motion of Director Cosner seconded by Director Patterson to *Elect Director Parker for Board President* was approved by the following vote:

YES: Cosner, Hurst, Parker, Patterson and Pisciotta

NOES: None ABSENT: None ABSTAIN: None

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10.2 Vice-President

President Pisciotta inquired if Director Cosner or Hurst would be interested in being the Vice President. Director Hurst stated that with two new grandchildren, she would not have time to commit to the position. Director Cosner stated that he would be the Vice President.

On motion of Director Patterson seconded by Director Pisciotta to *Elect Director Cosner for Board Vice President* was approved by the following vote:

YES: Cosner, Hurst, Parker, Patterson and Pisciotta

NOES: None ABSENT: None ABSTAIN: None

11. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:16 p.m.

ATTEST Joe Parker

Board President

Mark Correira Board Secretary