

SONOMA VALLEY FIRE DISTRICT

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, February 9, 2021 at 6:00 P.M.

1. Call to Order

President Norton called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. via phone-in conference call.

2. Roll Call and Determination of a Quorum

Board of Directors: President William Norton, Vice President John (Matt) Atkinson, Treasurer Mark Johnson, Brian Brady, Mark Emery, Terrence Leen. Director Raymond Brunton was absent.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Director Leen and recited by all.

4. Confirmation of Agenda

Chief Akre requested that President Norton move his monthly Chief's report to after new business.

5. Comments from the Public

None

6. Presentations

President Norton presented service awards to outgoing Glen Ellen and Valley of the Moon Board of Directors; Raymond Fredrick - 27 years, Peter Van Fleet - 35 years, Hal Weise - 40 years, and Nick Greben - 14 years.

7. Consent Calendar

Board reviewed and approved the meeting minutes from the regular board meeting held on January 12, 2020. **M/S/P Johnson/Leen with 6 ayes, 1 absent**

8. Fire Chief's Monthly Report

Chief Akre reported on many areas pertaining to SVFD daily operations. Key points from his report include:

- Mayacamas Fire Safe Council announced at their February meeting that they will be receiving a \$15,000.00 grant to fund the roadside clearance on Trinity and Cavedale Rd.
- Captain Brian Cyr was promoted to A Shift Battalion Chief effective February 8th and is now the EMS coordinator. BC Norrbom has taken over Facilities and Equipment.
- LT Captain Dustin Garcia and LT Engineer Michael Montgomery were both promoted to permanent positions with the retirement of BC Franceschi and Cyr's BC appointment.
- Newly appointed Lateral Firefighters, Sweet and Tinker have completed their 50 hour new employee academy and are on shift this week.
- Thanks to BC Cyr, the SVFD has been heavily involved in coordinating and distributing the new COVID vaccine. There are efforts underway to receive reimbursement from the County and possible FEMA for staffing costs.
- Crews responded to a vehicle accident last week on Grove Street involving an overturned tree chipper truck. 3381, 3383, M301, M303, TO Lacy, and BC Norrbom were all on scene with M303 transporting one patient to a nearby helicopter.

- FM Smith implemented our new online inspection scheduling that is accessed through our website. He is also looking at contacting a consulting company to perform an evaluation on our prevention division to ensure we are meeting mandates.
- 2020 OES reimbursements have started to be received in our office.
- City of Sonoma will potentially be receiving COVID stimulus funds which will benefit the District as well.

9. Old Business

- a) MKM Engineering consultants continue to work out solutions to complete seismic improvement plans for Station 5. Approved \$6,000.00 in additional funds to proceed with engineering. Estimating two to three weeks to receive final workup plans. **M/S/P Leen/Johnson with 6 ayes, 1 absent**
- b) Resolution 2020/2021-15 was adopted approving administrative corrections to the Nexus Study and requests that the Board of Supervisors adopt and implement the Fire Impact program on behalf of the District. **M/S/P Norton/Brady with 6 ayes, 1 absent**

10. New Business

- a) Resolution 2020/2021-16 was adopted approving the reinstatement of the Administrative Battalion Chief with updated job description included in the side letter agreement. **M/S/P Emery/Leen with 6 ayes, 1 absent**

11. Other Business to come before the Board

- a) The LAFCO Board of Director's have multiple positions open. If interested in submitting an application for one of those positions please contact Chief Akre.
- b) Vice President Atkinson attended the SCFDA board meeting in January. At the February 25th meeting they will be forming an Ad-Hoc committee for Measure G research.

12. Comments from the Floor

None

13. Comments/Reports from the Board

None

14. Closed Session

None

15. Adjournment

M/S Brady/Leen with 6 ayes, 1 absent

This meeting was adjourned at 7:01p.m. to a regular Board meeting on March 9, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. Meeting access will be determined based on COVID-19 restrictions in place at that time.

Copies of all staff reports and documents subject to disclosure that relate to any item of business referred to on the agenda are available at the following website at <http://svfra.org>

Respectfully submitted,

Maci Jerry