

SONOMA VALLEY FIRE DISTRICT

BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, May 12, 2026

**Meeting was held in person at Station 1, 630 2nd Street W, Sonoma, Ca. 95476
and via video conference for general public access.**

Join by phone: 1-669-900-9128 | Meeting ID: 914 153 1767 | Meeting Passcode: 3300

1. Call to Order

President Norton called meeting to order at 6:06 p.m., due to technical difficulties with District video conference equipment.

2. Roll Call and Determination of a Quorum

Board of Directors present: President William Norton, Vice President John (Matt) Atkinson, Treasurer Mark Johnson, Director John Cooper, Director Mark Emery, and Director Robert Uboldi. Director Brian Brady, absent

3. Pledge of Allegiance

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

4. Confirmation of Agenda

5. Comments from the Public

Public and staff present/virtual: CFO Jason, BC Cyr, BC Johnson, BC Campbell, Capt. Banuelos, Capt. Montgomery, Firefighter Ortiz, Local 3593 President Derner and VP Molesworth, Volunteer BC Landry, and Denise Benguerel.

No comments heard from the public.

6. Presentations

None

7. Consent Calendar

- a) The board reviewed and President Norton approved the meeting minutes from the regular board meeting held on April 14, 2026.

8. Fire Chief's Monthly Report

Chief Akre gave his monthly report to the board, which included numerous updates covering: administrative, incidents, finance, personnel, training, equipment, facilities, prevention and community outreach, and association new and upcoming events.

9. Old Business

None

10. New Business

- a) Director Johnson motioned to accept the Memorandum of Understanding between SVFD and the retired KWFD Fire Chiefs, outlining their retirement healthcare. **M/S/P Johnson/Cooper
5 ayes/1 abstained/1 absent**

11. Other Business to come before the Board

None

12. Comments from the Floor

Chief Akre reminded the board of the monthly County Chiefs meetings

13. Comments/Reports from the Board

President Norton has received great feedback from attendees from the May 7 badge pinning.

14. Closed Session

Chief Akre excused all meeting attendees; both online and via Zoom. Closed session began at 6:31 p.m. and concluded at 7:00 p.m. There was no reportable action from closed session.

15. Adjournment

M/S Johnson/Cooper – 6 ayes/1 absent

Meeting was adjourned at 7:01 p.m., to a regular Board meeting on June 9, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. This meeting will be conducted in person with videoconference capabilities available to the public. *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: <http://sonomavalleyfire.org> under the Governance tab.*

Respectfully submitted,

Maci Bettencourt
Clerk of the Board