

SONOMA VALLEY FIRE DISTRICT

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES Tuesday, October 10, 2023

**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 6:00 PM

2. Roll Call and Determination of a Quorum

Board of Directors present: President William Norton, Vice President John (Matt) Atkinson, Brian Brady, and Nick Greben. Directors Mark Johnson, Mark Emery, and Terrence Leen were excused.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

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

4. Confirmation of Agenda

None

5. Comments from the Public

Public: Sean Lacy, Bob Norrbom, and Laura Banuelos.
Virtual: Chief Steve Akre (half the meeting), Jennifer Jason, Gary Johnson, Jason Campbell, Mason Lewis, Chris Derner, and Jeff Dieter from the Mayacamas Volunteer Fire Foundation.
No comments heard from the public.

6. Presentations

None

7. Consent Calendar

a) Board reviewed and approved the meeting minutes from the regular board meeting held on September 12, 2023. **M/S/P Brady/Atkinson – 4 ayes/3 excused**

8. Fire Chief's Monthly Report

Chief Akre gave a brief monthly report to the board via videoconference.

9. Old Business

None

10. New Business

- a) Director Greben motioned to adopt Resolution 2023/2024 approving FY 22/23 AB1600 Annual report (revision to page 3 of the report for typing error). **M/S/P Greben/Norton – 4 ayes/3 excused**
- b) Director Greben motioned to accept the letter outlining the property tax growth calculation for FY 22/23. **M/S/P Greben/Atkinson – 4 ayes/3 excused**
- c) Director Greben motioned to approve Chief Akre's request for three new firefighter positions. **M/S/P Greben/Brady – 4 ayes/3 excused**

11. Other Business to come before the Board

Fire District Association dinner, to be held by Goldridge, October 26th.

12. Comments from the Floor

BC Norrbom gave a brief report on the past two successful Association events, Vintage Festival and the Glen Ellen Village Fair. Both profitable and well attended.

13. Comments/Reports from the Board

None

14. Closed Session

None

15. Adjournment

M/S Greben/Atkinson – 4 ayes/3 excused

Meeting was adjourned at 6:37 pm to a regular Board meeting on November 14, 2023, 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