

SONOMA VALLEY FIRE DISTRICT

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, October 8, 2024

**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 6:01 PM

2. Roll Call and Determination of a Quorum

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

3. Pledge of Allegiance

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

4. Confirmation of Agenda

No changes

5. Comments from the Public

Public and staff present/virtual: Chief Akre, BC Sean Lacy, BC Brian Cyr, BC Bob Norrbom, Jennifer Jason, Captain Jason Campbell, Captain Gary Johnson, Captain Laura Banuelos, and Cooper Johnson, from the Mayacamas Volunteer Fire Foundation.
No comments heard from the public.

6. Presentations

Chief Akre executed Oath of Offices to Directors, Atkinson, Brady, Emery, and Norton for their Certificate of Appointment In-Lieu of Election. Congratulations to all.

7. Consent Calendar

a) Board reviewed and approved the meeting minutes from the regular board meeting held on September 10, 2024. **M/S/P Brady/Greben - 6 ayes/1 excused**

8. Fire Chief's Monthly Report

Monthly Chief's Report attached.

9. Old Business

None

10. New Business

a) Director Emery motioned to approve the acceptance of the amendment to the KWFD contract with 3/0 staffing and prevention services. **M/S/P Emery/Leen - 6 ayes/1 excused**

- b) Director Leen motioned to approve item 10b; the purchase of two new 2025 Chevy Tahoe SUVs for the new Deputy Chief positions. **M/S/P Leen/Greben - 6 ayes/1 excused**
- c) Director Leen motioned to approve Resolution 2024/2025-05, reporting the annual AB1600 report for FY 23/24. **M/S/P Leen/Brady - 6 ayes/1 excused**
- d) Director Greben motioned to approve Resolution 2024/2025-06, endorsing the City of Sonoma Measure T Sales Tax initiative. **M/S/P Greben/Atkinson - 4 ayes/1 no/1 abstain/1 excused**
- e) Director Leen motioned to approve a line of credit at WestAmerica Bank with a 12 month term, cap of three million dollars, and requiring two signatures; Chief Akre and President Bill Norton. He further motioned a request for monthly reporting on the line of credit expenditures at the board meetings. **M/S/P Leen/Norton - 6 ayes/1 excused**

11. Other Business to come before the Board

Chief Akre announced two reminders for the October 24th SCFDA dinner and the SVFA holiday party on December, 7th.

Chief Akre gave a fire family update on Doug Williams and Stacia Derickson. BC Norrbom to spearhead a memorial bench for Bill and Stacia Derickson at Station 5 and Chief asked Director Atkinson to coordinate the presentation of a plaque commemorating the Derickson Family's service to the fire service.

12. Comments from the Floor

None

13. Comments/Reports from the Board

Director Emery asked the Board and the meeting attendees to take a moment and recognize the day as tomorrow brings the anniversary of the 2017 Nuns Fire.

Director Norton asked about the progress of Dawn Mittleman's commemorative plaque. Chief and BC Lacy to proceed with this.

14. Closed Session

None

15. Adjournment

M/S Emery/Leen – 6 ayes/1 excused

Meeting was adjourned at 7:31pm to a regular Board meeting on November 12, 2024, 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