



**Sonoma County Fire District Board of Directors**  
**Regular Board Minutes**  
**Tuesday November 19, 2024 2:00 PM**  
Location: Fire Station 1 - 8200 Old Redwood Hwy. Windsor

**CALL TO ORDER**

Treanor called the meeting to order at 2:00  
Present for Staff: Chief Heine, Washington, Bolduc  
Present for Counsel: Adams

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**ROLL CALL**

President Treanor- present  
Vice President Klick- present      Secretary/Treasurer Briare- present      Director Hamann- present  
Director So- present      Director Tognozzi-present      Director Weaver- present

**OPEN TIME FOR PUBLIC EXPRESSION**

None

**AGENDA ADJUSTMENTS**

*An opportunity for the Board President to approve adjustments to the current agenda.*

Chief Heine stated that we would pull item #3 from the Action items.

**SONOMA COUNTY PROFESSIONAL FIREFIGHTERS' ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

*An opportunity for the President of the Sonoma County Professional Firefighters Association to address the Board on matters of the Association.*

Rutkowski spoke on behalf of the Association. He talked about the Toys for Kids program is underway; the Toys fundraiser has brought back the pancake breakfast fundraiser at the Vets building in Santa Rosa on December 1; announced that there is a new board in place for the Association.

**DIRECTOR REPORTS**

N/A

**FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT**

Chief Heine reviewed the activities of the crews and events over the month. He discussed; up-coming meeting dates; Chief Williams service went very well, thank you for all that made that happen; We had several apparatus deployed on strike teams; there were a few fires in the District and all managed well; devastating calls and response to Bodega Bay; promotions for Eggleston, Rinehart and Hawkes; boat is in the final inspection stages and should be here in a few days; significant storms on the way- we are upstaffing.

**SCFD-EMS STATUS REPORT**

*Staff will provide a status report on the Districts operation in EOA-1.*

All information is enclosed. President Treanor spoke about burnout due to how busy we are.

**CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS**

A motion by Hamann and a second by Briare approved the minutes from the October 22, 2024 regular board meeting, and the bills and payables from October 2024. 7-0-0



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**ACTION ITEMS**

**1. FACILITY MASTER PLAN PRESENTATION AND ACCEPTANCE OF REPORT**

*The Board will receive a presentation on the Facility Master Plan and will consider accepting the report.*

A motion by So and a second by Klick accepted the report and presentation by Brian and Kevin from Kitchell. 7-0-0

**2. APPOINTMENT OF FIRE CHIEF**

*The Board will consider appointing Deputy Fire Chief Ron Busch as District Fire Chief effective April 1, 2025, pending successful completion of transition training and successful negotiation of an employment contract.*

A motion by Tognozzi and a second by Briare appointed Deputy Fire Chief Ron Busch to the position of Fire Chief pending successful completion of transition training and successful negotiation of an employment contract, effective April 1, 2025 7-0-0.

**3. FIRST RESPONDER BASIC LIFE SUPPORT AGREEMENT WITH GRATON FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT**

*The Board will consider approving the ~~First Responder Basic Life Support agreement with Graton Fire Protection District and authorize the Fire Chief to execute the agreement, subject to the Fire Chief making any needed minor administrative adjustments.~~*

**This item was pulled.**

**4. DECLARE DISTRICT ASSETS LISTED IN REPORT AS SURPLUS AND AUTHORIZE THE DISPOSAL OF THE PROPERTY**

*The Board will consider declaring the District assets listed in the report as surplus and authorize the disposal of the property.*

A motion by So and a second by Hamann declared various assets as surplus. 7-0-0

**5. RESOLUTION 2024-17 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SONOMA COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT AND THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE RANCHO ADOBE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT; CONSTITUTING THE DISTRICTS' RESOLUTION OF APPLICATION TO THE LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION OF SONOMA COUNTY FOR THE ANNEXATION OF THE RANCHO ADOBE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT INTO THE SONOMA COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT.**

*The Board of Directors will consider adopting Resolution 2024-17, constituting the Districts' resolution of application to the LAFCO commission of Sonoma County for the annexation of the Rancho Adobe Fire Protection District into the Sonoma County Fire District.*

A motion by Briare and a second by Weaver adopted Resolution 2024-17, a concurrent resolution of the BOD of SCFD and the BOD of RAFFPD to move forward with an application with LAFCO. 7-0-0



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**6. BROWN ACT UPDATE**

*The Board will receive an update on current Brown Act requirements.*

The Board of Directors reviewed with legal counsel, Bill Adams, the changes made to the Brown Act in 2025.

**COMMITTEE REPORT**

1. Standing Committee: Finance- N/A- Next meeting will be in January.
2. Standing Committee: Facilities – Director Klick stated that other than the presentation made by Kitchell earlier in the meeting, he didn't have much to add other than the committee with be looking at funding options.
3. Ad Hoc Committee: Fire Chief transition- N/A

**FINANCIAL REPORTS**

Enclosed

**COMMUNICATIONS**

N/A

**CLOSED SESSION-** Staff entered closed session at 3:20.

1. Anticipated Litigation (three cases) (Government Code section 54956.9(b)).

**REPORT OUT ON CLOSED SESSION** - staff exited closed session at 4:15. "board of directors gave instructions to staff, no reportable action."

**ADJOURNMENT**

4:15

  
Kathy Washington- Secretary to the Board