



North Sonoma Coast Fire Protection District

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NSCFPD Board Meeting Action Summary

Tuesday, August 15, 2023, 2:00 p.m.

Sea Ranch North Fire Station (39250 Highway One, The Sea Ranch, CA, 95497)

- I. **CALL TO ORDER** Meeting called to order at 2:05 pm
- II. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- III. **ROLL CALL** In attendance Directors Campbell, Colson, Gardener, Nybakken, Tittle; Chief Plakos, Assistant Chief Breier, CAL FIRE Captain Red Miller, CAL FIRE Captain Pat Briant
- IV. **REMOTE ATTENDANCE** Director Colson attended this meeting via Zoom from 15874 Winecreek Drive, San Diego CA 92127, as posted in the meeting agenda
- V. **AMENDMENTS TO AGENDA** None
- VI. **PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS** Paul Plakos asked everyone to remember the appreciate dinner on 18 August.
- VII. **CONSENT CALENDAR** Motion by Director Gardener, 2nd by Director Nybakken to approve Consent Calendar as presented. Passed with a 5-0 vote.
- VIII. **REPORTS**
 - A. Chair: Dir. Campbell has asked the Timber Cove board if they could change their board meeting to a different date and/or time, so that it won't be at the same time as this meeting. There was a discussion about whether the board members can attend the VFA meetings, either the annual one, or the next regular meeting, which will be on Monday 11 September at 3:30 pm.
 - B. Chief: as written, and the Fire Safe Council has been awarded a \$300K grant from CAL FIRE, and the SAM registration will be renewed in September.
 - C. Treasurer: as written, and the format of the revenue and expense report has been changed as requested in the last meeting, and the CAL FIRE invoice from last September has been received.
 - D. CAL FIRE: The CAL FIRE vacation bidding process has been changed, and is now being managed at the division level instead of the battalion level. A new engineer has started, who will be working Friday, Saturday and Sunday. There have been many lightning strikes across the state with more than 200 fire starts in Northern California. LNU has sent several strike teams so local resources are drawn down. The UTV training program is in progress. The flag at the CAL FIRE station is at half-mast because of the helicopter crash in Riverside.

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- E. Regional Engagement ad-hoc: No meeting has been held since the last board meeting.
- F. Staffing ad-hoc: Staffing will be discussed later on the agenda.
- G. VFA Liaison: No meeting has been held since the last board meeting.

IX. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

- A. CAL FIRE 2023 Volunteer Fire Capacity Grant: A motion was made to accept the grant and authorize signing of the grant agreement, with one small wording change, by Dir. Gardener, 2nd by Dir. Tittle, and approved by a vote of 5-0 (Resolution 23-10).
- B. District Staffing: A discussion was held about the district staffing, including why we have not yet been able to hire an admin assistant, and what we will need to do about staffing for the future.
- C. Discussion regarding communication about the proposed Sales Tax Initiative: the significant dates are Jan 25: voter information mailed, Feb 5: vote by mail opens, and Mar 5: election. A brief discussion ensued, and will continue at the next meeting.

X. CALENDAR LOOK-AHEAD:

No immediate action items.

XI. ADJOURNMENT TO NEXT MEETING:

Next Regular Meeting: September 19, 2023 2:00 p.m.