

Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District

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ACTION SUMMARY MINUTES - REGULAR MEETING

BOARD OF DIRECTORS
SACRAMENTO METROPOLITAN FIRE DISTRICT
Thursday, July 25, 2024
Held at the following locations:
10545 Armstrong Avenue – Board Room
Mather, California
&
Remotely Via Zoom

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:01 pm by Vice President Wood. Board members present: Clark, Goold, Jones, Rice, Saylors, Sheetz, Wood and Webber. Board members absent: Costa. Staff present: Chief House and Board Clerk Rittburg.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Public comment was received.

CONSENT ITEMS

Moved by Director Jones seconded by Clark and carried unanimously by members present to adopt the consent calendar as follows:

1. Action Summary Minutes

Recommendation: Approve the Action Summary Minutes for the Regular Board Meeting of June 27, 2024.

Action: Adopted the Action Summary Minutes.

2. Purchase Approval – Five (5) Pierce Type 1 Engines

Recommendation: Approve the purchase of five (5) Pierce Type 1 Engines from Golden State Fire Apparatus utilizing HGACBuy contract number FS12-23 Model 23P-105.

Action: Approved purchase.

3. Purchase Approval – Pierce 107' Ladder Truck

Recommendation: Approve the purchase of Pierce Ladder Truck from Golden State Fire Apparatus utilizing HGACBuy contract number FS12-23 Model 23A-105. **Action:** Approved purchase.

ACTION ITEMS

1. Adopt Resolution – Employer-Employee Relations

(Deputy Chief Ty Bailey)

Recommendation: Adopt the updated Employer Employee Relations Resolution which will supersede Resolution No. 16 83/84.

Action: Moved by Director Webber, seconded by Sheetz, and carried unanimously by members present to adopt Employer-Employee Relations **Resolution 2024-103** superseding Resolution 16 83/84.

2. Adopt Resolution – General Obligation Bond Measure

(Chief Development Officer Jeff Frye)

Recommendation: Adopt Resolution ordering a General Obligation Bond Election, and authorizing necessary actions in connection therewith.

Action: Moved by Director Sheetz, seconded by Clark, and carried unanimously by members present to adopt **Resolution 2024-102** ordering a General Obligation Bond Election and authorizing necessary actions in connection therewith.

REPORTS

1. PRESIDENT'S REPORT - (President Goold)

President Goold stated that he and Chief House continue to discuss options to integrate our men and women in the military into our recruitment efforts in the future.

2. FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT — (Chief House)

Good evening, President Goold, Directors, Colleagues, and Members of the Public.

My report will be brief this evening:

- Congratulations to Mark Siebert on his promotion to Logistics Manager, effective July
 1st. Mark came to the podium to say a few words.
- Please join me in welcoming Nathan Nowaski who was hired as the Chief Pilot in the Operations Division, effective July 1st. Nathan came to the podium to introduce himself to the Board and provided his background.

OPERATIONS REPORT – (Deputy Chief Mitchell)

DC Mitchell introduced BC Tom Koscielny.

Tonight, for the Shift Commander Spotlight I'll be introducing Kyle Warne from our Dozer program.

Kyle has been with the program since 2016 and he provided a brief overview of the dozer program that started in 2006 and how the dozer was used on a recent incident.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT – (Deputy Chief Bailey)

No Report

SUPPORT SERVICES REPORT - (Deputy Chief Wagaman)

No Report

3. SMFD – FIREFIGHTERS LOCAL 522 REPORT (Captain Sean Scollard, Local 522 Vice President)

Captain Scollard spoke regarding the General Obligation Bond Measure and that it's a quantifiable need, not a want, so that we can continue to provide services to the community. 522 will work tirelessly to support this Measure and we appreciate full support from the Board.

Thanks to the Human Resources staff, the Employer Employee Relations document was a daunting task and it's great to see it get adopted tonight.

Happy to report we had a very positive Labor Management meeting yesterday and it's important to know that labor and management continue to work together to put the community first and improve the service and that the men and women that work here need the proper tools to be able to provide that service.

4. COMMITTEE AND DELEGATE REPORTS

All Committee Meetings will be held at the Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District Board Room, 10545 Armstrong Avenue, Mather, California unless otherwise specified.

A. Executive Committee – (President Goold)

No Report

B. Communications Center JPA – (AC Greene)

Congratulations to Dispatcher Summer Carroll on her 24-year anniversary at SRFECC.

Congratulations to AC Josh Freeman of Cosumnes FD who completed his oneyear assignment as the Chief Executive Director on June 30, 2024.

Welcome to AC Derek Parker of Sacramento City FD who commenced his role as the Chief Executive Director of the SRFECC on July 1, 2024.

C. Finance and Audit Committee – (Director Jones)

No Report

D. Policy Committee – (Director Saylors)

No Report

BOARD MEMBER QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS

Director Saylors expressed appreciation for all of our members working in the heat this July. Stay safe and hydrated.

Director Jones thanked the Metro Fire Boat Crew and the CERT members for assisting in the Great American Triathlon. Thank you to Chief Greene for all the hard work on the Capital Air Show. Thank you to AC Law and BC Wilbourn for attending a public meeting put on by

Sacramento LAFCo regarding the Del Paso Manor Water District Voters and Landowners. A shout out to Jeff Frye and his team for the tour of the West Jackson Township, that project will be happening eventually.

Director Webber congratulated Mark Siebert on his promotion. Thank you to Jeff Frye and your rock star team for all the hard work on the Bond Measure. Thank you to Chief House for all you do.

Director Rice stated he attended the State Board of Fire Services meeting and also had a discussion with colleagues form Orange County Fire on lithium-ion battery storage facilities. OC Fire has had at least five major fires with these facilities in the last two years. Director Rice inquired if we are seeing these facilities in our jurisdiction Thank you to AC Chief Rudnicki for highlighting our members at a state level.

Director Wood thanked the Crew at Station 53 for the great visit a few Mondays ago, I appreciate the hospitality. Had the pleasure of volunteering at The Firefighters Burn Institute Luau on the Links on Saturday, June 29th at Haggin Oaks and saw some of my fellow Directors. There was nobody there from the line or administration, the Burn Institute is essential to our members and we need to support it. We need to see more representation from Metro Fire at Burn Institute events.

Director Goold thanked the Directors for their hard work, time and dedication. To our members, please be safe and take the heat seriously and its impact on your work.

CLOSED SESSION:

The Board recessed to Closed Session at 6:58 p.m. on the following matter:

- 1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL PENDING LITIGATION Pursuant to California Government Code Section § 54956.9(d): One Case
 - Anthony Benelisha and the Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District Claim No. 23-173286
 Colin Connor of Lenahan, Slater, Pearse & Majernik, LLP

Action: Moved by Rice, seconded by Sheetz, and carried unanimously by members present to grant Defense Counsel authority to settle the cases by global Compromise and Release of all issues with certain conditions.

CLOSED SESSION REPORT OUT:

The Board reconvened to open session at 7:32 p.m. General Counsel John Lavra reported the Board met in closed session on one matter: Workers' Compensation claim of Anthony Benelisha, the Board took action and voted unanimously to give settlement authority, subject to certain conditions, to its workers compensation defense attorney.

To view the video of the meeting, please visit the Metro Fire Website or our YouTube channel:

https://metrofire.ca.gov/2024-07-25-board-meeting

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC9t-uKlc_oOUGNrmogdQ_QA

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

Grant Goold, President

Marni Rittburg, CMC, Board Clerk