



COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ

FIRE DEPARTMENT ADVISORY COMMISSION

LOCATION: CAL FIRE Headquarters
Highway 9 in Felton, CA 95018
DATE: March 19, 2014
TIME: 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM

APPROVED Minutes for March 19, 2014

MEMBERS PRESENT:

First District Representative/FDAC Chair:	Alex Leman
Fifth District Representative:	Arnie Wernick
Volunteer Firefighters Representative/Co-Chair:	Doug Aumack
Office of Emergency Services Manager:	Paul Horvat

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Second District Representative:	John Willett
Third District Representative:	Tom Scully
Fourth District Representative:	Position Vacant

- 1.0 Introductions/Call to Order
Meeting began at 4:10 pm
- 2.0 Approval of draft minutes from January 15, 2014.
 - **Motion:** Paul Horvat to approve draft minutes.
Motion Seconded: Doug Aumack
In Favor: Alex Leman, Paul Horvat, Arnie Wernick, Doug Aumack
Opposed: None
Abstained: None
Absent: John Willett, Tom Scully
- 3.0 Oral Communications (items not on agenda, 3 minutes per person)
None
- 4.0 Correspondence
None
- 5.0 Business
 - 5.1 New Business
 - A. 2014-15 Proposed Budget was reviewed.
 - 5.2 Old Business
 - A. Vehicle Purchase Update
 - 1) Finalizing engine quote and plan to submit for Board approval at the next meeting on April 8, 2014.
 - 2) Requisition has been submitted for the purchase of B1718's training vehicle, Chevy Colorado 2500 off of Rank 2, 2014 state contract.

6.0 Informational Reports

6.1 Santa Cruz County Fire Chief's Report

A. Updates

1) Incidents:

- a) Anticipating an "epic" fire season this coming year. Currently staffing 2 state funded engines, anticipating 5 engines staffed by April 7, should be at peak staffing by May 1st resulting in further Amador savings. Good possibility of 4-0 staffing this summer.
- b) Save water! Reduce vehicle washing. Looking for grant funding for portable water tanks. Need to address security for water sources.

2) Training /Academies: BFFA in progress, graduation on April 30th.

3) Volunteer Handbook: No update.

6.2 FDAC Reports

A. Updates:

1) Master Plan Subcommittee

(Members: Arnie Wernick, Tom Scully)

- a) No task list items due in March.

2) Recruitment Subcommittee

(Members: Alex Leman, Doug Aumack)

- a) No report.

3) Budget Subcommittee

(Members: Arnie Wernick, John Willett, Paul Horvat)

- a) No report.

4) Volunteer Company Officers' Representative

(Doug Aumack)

- a) Getting in touch with all the volunteer companies. Requested to be added to contact lists.
- b) Spent the morning with Bonny Doon in March. They mentioned concern with PPE. More volunteers are showing interest and they have good community support.

7.0 Announcements

- 7.1 Paul Horvat – Furniture delivered and seismic upgrade done at the new EOC in the new Sheriff's facility. Working extensively on drought problem. Seeking a representative to replace current CERT Council Chair.

8.0 Adjournment at 5:19 pm.

- **Motion:** Doug Aumack to adjourn
- Motion Seconded:** Alex Leman
- In Favor:** Alex Leman, Paul Horvat, Arnie Wernick, Doug Aumack
- Opposed:** None
- Abstained:** None
- Absent:** John Willett, Tom Scully

Next regular meeting – May 21, 2014 at 4:00 pm, located at the CAL FIRE/County Fire HQ Conference Room, 6059 Highway 9, Felton, CA 95018.

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