



# COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ

## FIRE DEPARTMENT ADVISORY COMMISSION

### APPROVED MINUTES

Regular Meeting: Wednesday, November 16, 2016  
EOC Conference Room  
5200 Soquel Ave, Santa Cruz, CA 95062  
4:00 PM - 6:00 PM

#### **I. ROLL/CALL TO ORDER/INTRODUCTIONS:**

Meeting called to order at 4:00 pm

##### **Present:**

Volunteer Firefighters Representative/Chair:	Doug Aumack
First District Representative/FDAC Co-Chair:	Alex Leman
Second District Representative:	Carey Pico
Third District Representative:	Janet Webb
Fourth District Representative:	John Walker
Fifth District Representative:	Arnie Wernick
Office of Emergency Services Manager:	Rosemary Anderson

##### **Absent:**

None

#### **II. ADDITIONS/CHANGES TO AGENDA:**

A. Consideration of possibly changing meeting day to Thursdays. (Leman)

#### **III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – SEPTEMBER 21, 2016:**

**Motion:** Webb to approve draft minutes.

**Motion Seconded:** Pico

**In Favor:** Anderson, Aumack, Leman, Pico, Webb, Walker, Wernick

**Opposed:** None

**Abstained:** None

**Absent:** None

#### **IV. PUBLIC INPUT/ORAL COMMUNICATION:** (Items not on agenda, 3 minutes/person)

A. Becky Steinbruner:

- i. Questioned the BOS declared state of fire emergency during the Loma Fire.
  - a. It was to establish a state of emergency within the mandated time limit to acquire possible funding if necessary due to the fire's potential.
- ii. Questioned the possibility of a merger between Aptos/La Selva with CSA 48 as discussed at the prior LAFCO meeting.
  - a. Previously determined to be unfeasible. Will be discussed further at the LAFCO 12/7/16 meeting.
- iii. Wants to create a citizen's initiative to reallocate Prop 172 funds to County Fire after the first of the year.

#### **V. CORRESPONDENCE:**

A. None.

**VI. BUSINESS MATTERS:**

**A. Updates from Commissioners:**

- iv. Recruitment Subcommittee/Volunteer Company Officers' Rep (Aumack)
  - a. Partnering with the EOC, CERT Teams, and PSA.
- v. Master Plan Subcommittee (Webb)
  - a. Will develop draft master plan/MERP for January 2017 meeting.
- vi. Volunteer Company Officers' Representative (Aumack)

**D. Santa Cruz County Fire Chief's Report (Hess)**

- i. Transitioned to winter staffing on 11/14/16. CZU is staffing 7 engines in Santa Cruz County and 2 of those are state funded.
- ii. CAL FIRE is emphasizing prevention through shaded fuel breaks, prescribed burns, chipping, etc... CZU is hiring 14 additional Firefighters in the spring through SRA fee funding.

**E. Announcements:**

- i. None

**VII. ADJOURNMENT AT 5:18 PM.**

**Motion:** Pico to approve draft minutes.

**Motion Seconded:** Anderson

**In Favor:** Anderson, Aumack, Leman, Pico, Webb, Walker, Wernick

**Opposed:** None

**Abstained:** None

**Absent:** None

Next regular meeting – January 18, 2017 at 4:00 pm, located at the CAL FIRE-CZU Conference Room, 6059 Highway 9, Felton, CA 95018.

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