

# COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ

# FIRE DEPARTMENT ADVISORY COMMISSION

#### **APPROVED MINUTES**

Regular Meeting: Wednesday, January 25, 2017 CAL FIRE Conference Room 6059 Highway 9, Felton, CA 95018 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM

# I. ROLL/CALL TO ORDER/INTRODUCTIONS:

Meeting called to order at 4:12 pm

Present:

Volunteer Firefighters Representative/Chair:
First District Representative/FDAC Co-Chair:
Second District Representative:
Carey Pico
Janet Webb
Fourth District Representative:
Fifth District Representative:
Arnie Wernick

Absent:

Office of Emergency Services Manager: Rosemary Anderson

### II. <u>ADDITIONS/CHANGES TO AGENDA:</u>

A. None

#### III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – NOVEMBER 16, 2016:

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

Motion Seconded: Webb

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

Opposed: None Abstained: None Absent: Anderson

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

A. Becky Steinbruner:

Offered thanks to County Fire for service during the recent storms.

ii. Stated intention to launch a citizen's initiative to reallocate Prop 172 funding.

# V. <u>CORRESPONDENCE</u>:

A. None.

#### VI. BUSINESS MATTERS:

A. Election of Officers for 2017

**Motion:** Walker to re-elect Doug Aumack for Chairperson and Alex Leman for Co-Chairperson. County Fire staff will continue to serve in the Secretary function.

Motion Seconded: Wernick

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

Opposed: None Abstained: None Absent: Anderson

- B. Completed 2015-16 Bi-Annual Report for BOS
- **C.** Updates from Commissioners:
  - i. Recruitment Subcommittee/Volunteer Company Officers' Rep (Aumack)
  - ii. Master Plan Subcommittee (Webb)
  - iii. Volunteer Company Officers' Representative (Aumack)
- **D.** Santa Cruz County Fire Chief's Report (Hess)
  - i. Currently have 2 state funded engines staffed at Corralitos and Saratoga Summit.
  - ii. Moved Corralitos crew to Belmont to work on shaded fuel breaks.
  - iii. A drought augmentation "fuels crew" will be staffed with 14 FFIs in March in addition to state staffing to complete fuel work and shaded fuel break projects.
  - iv. FFI, FAE, and FC hiring is in full swing.
  - v. Several office staff vacancies.
  - vi. New Office Technician Jenna Mabry in Training.
  - vii. EOC activation during the recent storms. A few warnings were issued through NetCom to the Pajaro Dunes community when the Pajaro River reached possible breach stage.
- viii. Fuels are still at critical stages from years of drought. Anticipate early staffing in spring.
- ix. BU8, BU4, and BU1 anticipate increase in pay from new MOUs.
- x. MERP and Master Plan draft will be prepared by the next meeting.

## **E.** Announcements:

i. None

#### VII. ADJOURNMENT AT 5:50 PM.

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

Motion Seconded: Pico

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

Opposed: None Abstained: None Absent: Anderson

Next regular meeting – <u>March 15, 2017 at 4:00 pm, located at the CAL FIRE-CZU Conference Room, 6059 Highway 9, Felton, CA 95018</u>.

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