

COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ

FIRE DEPARTMENT ADVISORY COMMISSION

APPROVED MINUTES

Regular Meeting: Wednesday, March 20, 2019 CAL FIRE-CZU HQ 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 4:05 pm

Present:

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

Guest from public: Liz Jensen Fire Safe Council of SCCO & CERT.

Absent: Office of Emergency Services Manager: Rosemary Anderson

II. ADDITIONS/CHANGES TO AGENDA:

A. FDAC designation of email response duties.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES JANUARY 23, 2019

A. Motion: Webb to approve draft minutes.

Motion Seconded: Leman

In Favor: Aumack, Pico, Walker, Wernick

Opposed: None Abstained: None Absent: Anderson

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

A. None

V. CORRESPONDENCE:

A. None

VI. <u>BUSINESS MATTERS:</u>

- **A.** Updates from Subcommittees
 - i. Ballot Measure Subcommittee Update Aumack, Pico, Wernick)
 - 1) The polling/public education vendor selection process is completed.

- 2) The survey is under development and polling will be conducted in early April to gauge support for a Prop 218 mail-in ballot with a spring 2019 target date.
- 3) Potential additional funds from Prop 172, Measure G, or Measure K funds are not anticipated.
- 4) Public education town hall meetings are scheduled for 4/17/19 at Paradise Park and 4/22/19 at the Las Cumbres Community Hall. Additional meetings will be held in each district.
- ii. Budget Subcommittee (Wernick, Pico)
 - 1) The county is moving to a two-year budget cycle beginning fiscal year 2019/20 and the Proposed 2019/21 budget was reviewed.
 - 2) The County Administrative Office estimates that property tax revenues will increase by 5% in 2019/20 and 4% in 2020/21.
 - 3) The 2018 CPI increase of 3.9% has been budgeted for CSA 48 and 4 fees in 2019/20. An increase of 3.2% is estimated for 2020/21.
 - 4) Fixed asset purchases for 2019/20 include an extractor, 3 combitools, a new generator for Las Cumbres station, a Type I engine to replace E4111, and a replacement rescue vehicle for Davenport volunteers.
 - 5) County Fire will apply for a \$600k grant for SCBA's in 2019/20.
- **B.** Designation of email response duties for board members (added per Pico).
- **C.** Santa Cruz County Fire Chief's Report (Armstrong)
 - i. Busy from storms, but no significant incidents.
 - ii. Annual maintenance going well. New Type III engines went back to vendor HI-TECH for final warranty repairs and modifications.
 - iii. BC Tim Richter has been transitioned from Training Chief to B1713. A new Training Chief is pending Region approval.
 - iv. BC Aldo Gonzalez was promoted to D1704 behind Rob Sherman.
 - v. Will transition out of Amador on 4/15/19. Additional hiring on 6/3/19, at peak staffing by 6/17/19.
- **D.** FDAC Service Recognition
 - Janet Webb has elected to remain on the FDAC until the ballot measure has been completed or a replacement found.
- E. Announcements
 - i. None

VII. ADJOURNMENT AT 5:35 PM

Motion: Pico

Motion Seconded: Leman

In Favor: Aumack, Walker, Webb, Wernick

Opposed: None Abstained: None Absent: Anderson

Next regular meeting – <u>May 15, 2019 at 4:00 pm, located at CAL FIRE CZU HQ</u> <u>Conference Room, 6059 Highway 9, Felton, CA 95018</u>

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