



COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ

FIRE DEPARTMENT ADVISORY COMMISSION

LOCATION: CAL FIRE/Santa Cruz County Fire (Virtual)

DATE: September 21, 2022

TIME: 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM

PUBLIC ACCESS: MICROSOFT TEAMS MEETING OR
6059 HIGHWAY 9, FELTON, CA 95018

LINK: Click here to join meeting: [Join Teams Meeting \(FDAC\)](#)

CALL IN: [831-454-2222](#) Conference ID: 702 367 794#

DRAFT MINUTES

I. ROLL/CALL TO ORDER/INTRODUCTIONS

Meeting called to order at 4:08

Present:

Volunteer Firefighters Representative/Chair:	Doug Aumack
First District Representative:	Sanjay Khandelwal
Second District Representative:	Carey Pico
Third District Representative:	Janet Webb
Fifth District Representative/Co-Chair:	Arnie Wernick
Office of Emergency Services Manager:	Michael Beaton

Absent:

Fourth District Representative:	John Walker
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II. ADDITIONS/CHANGES TO AGENDA

None.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – July 20, 2022

Motion: Pico

Motion Seconded: Khandelwal

In Favor: All

Opposed: None

Abstained: None

Absent: Walker

IV. PUBLIC INPUT/ORAL COMMUNICATION

A. Matters not on the agenda (3 minutes per person)

Steinbruner-Would like members of the public noted, that public comment should be throughout the meeting, and that her correspondence was not included.

B. Matters listed on the agenda (3 minutes per person)

Steinbruner-Would like for the Grand Jury recommendations be followed.

V. CORRESPONDENCE:

None

VI.

BUSINESS MATTERS

- A.** Assembly Bill 361- Motion to approve that the current meeting be conducted through the virtual method of Microsoft Teams as part of hybrid meeting (Wilson)

Motion: Aumack

Motion Seconded: Pico

In Favor: All

Opposed: None

Abstained: None

Absent: Walker

- B.** Grand Jury report-[Report Link](#) (Khandelwal)
- i. Reviewed the six recommendations from the report and two questions were posed by Commissioners:
 1. Where will financial source come from? (Pico)
 2. How do other County departments fit in? (Webb)

Motion that FDAC will further discuss the recommendations from the Grand Jury Report and how Commissioners view the suggestions/finding.

Motion: Khandelwal

Motion Seconded: Pico

In Favor: All

Opposed: None

Abstained: None

Absent: Walker

- C.** FDAC meeting goals (Khandelwal)
- i. Discussed how the Commissioners need to refresh on Brown Act rules with training.
 - ii. Asked Commissioners how to better monitor, study, and advise what the FDAC mission is.

- D.** LAFCO update (Beaton)
- i. Contracted with AP Triton to collaborate.

- E.** Budget topics:

- i. Bi-monthly budget status report (Scalia)
 1. Discussed contract savings.

- F.** Updates from Commissioners:

- iii. Recruitment Subcommittee (Aumack)
 2. More efficient onboarding.
 3. Commercial truck drivers to drive WT's.
 4. Partnership with other fire agencies (auxiliary support staff).
 5. Next discussion is about implementation
 6. Corralitos has twelve new recruits.
- iv. Volunteer Company Officers Representative (Aumack)
 1. Has processed 3 inquiries
- v. Master Plan Subcommittee (Pico)
 2. Wants to discuss County's dependence on CAL FIRE
 3. Progress is slow.
 4. Might outsource to vendor.
 5. Public outreach (community hall events, surveys).
 6. Draft MP by end of calendar year.

- G.** Santa Cruz County Fire Chief's Report (Wilson)

- i. Delay in website launch, County ISD will take over.

- ii. LAFCO Study, met with AP Triton.
- iii. Two type 1's getting final inspections.
- iv. New rescues are being outfitted.
- v. Two new prevention vehicles delayed.
- vi. Training vehicle ready in one month.
- vii. 22/23 vehicles being processed.
- viii. Records management system, 1st due, onboarding in winter
- ix. Fuel tank project 36 has been completed, 34 delayed but should be complete next month.
- x. DP paint/paving completed.
- xi. Employee poll notices

H. Announcements
None

VII. ADJOURNMENT at 5:33

Motion: Khandelwal

Motion Seconded: Wernick

In Favor: All

Opposed: None

Abstained: None

Absent: Walker

**A. Set next regular meeting – Wednesday, November 16, 2022 at 4:00 pm,
location TBD.**

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