

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
MONTECITO FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

Held at Fire District Headquarters, 595 San Ysidro Road, May 24, 2016 at 3:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Director Powell at 3:00p.m.

Present: Director Powell, Director van Duinwyk, Director Sinser, Director Easton, Director Venable. Chief Hickman and District Counsel, Mark Manion were also present.

- 1. Public comment: Any person may address the Board at this time on any non-agenda matter that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Montecito Fire Protection District; 30 minutes total time is allotted for this discussion.**

There were no public comments at this meeting.

- 2. Recognition for 10 years of service: Captain, Scott Chapman.**

Chief Hickman recognized Captain Scott Chapman for ten years of service.

- 3. Report on the status of transferring of access easement to Upper Hyde Road property owners and quitclaiming District's easement interest.**

District Counsel, Mark Manion provided an update regarding the easement transfer stating that there are three property owners yet to sign.

- 4. Discussion item: Update regarding Station 3 Final EIR.**

Chief Hickman stated that Amec is making progress regarding the EIR. He also provided a timeline for the review of the EIR.

- 5. Consider declaring certain District owned properties as surplus. Computers and office furniture.**

Chief Hickman provided a verbal staff report regarding the surplus items. The motion to allow the Chief to surplus District owned properties was made by Director Sinser, seconded by Director Venable and unanimously passed.

- 6. Report from the Finance Committee:**

- a. Consider recommendation for acceptance of Fechter & Company's Annual Financial Report for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2015.**

The Motion to accept the Fechter & Company's Annual Financial Report for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2015 was made by Director van Duinwyk, seconded

by Director Easton and unanimously passed.

b. Report on Draft Preliminary Budget for FY 2016-17.

The Board reviewed various line items within the Draft Preliminary Budget for FY 2016-17.

c. Review and approve April 2016 financial statements.

The board determined to combine the April and May financial statements for review at the next Finance Committee meeting.

7. Approval of Minutes of the April 25, 2016 Regular Meeting.

The motion to approve the minutes of the April 25, 2016 Regular Meeting was made by Director Easton, seconded by Director van Duinwyk and passed. Director Venable abstained.

8. Fire Chief's Report.

The Chief reviewed three note-worthy incidents that occurred during the month of April. The Chief mentioned the emergency notification systems drill on June 1st. District Counsel provided a response regarding Director Sinser and his participation in Station 3 discussions. District Counsel stated that Director Sinser could continue on, and not participate in discussions or request an update of the opinion rendered by the FPCC. Director Sinser stated that he will probably move by July 4th. He added that he will submit his resignation by the end of June, as he will no longer be a resident in the District. The Chief stated that staff is actively engaged with the labor group regarding negotiations.

9. Board of Director's report.

District Counsel recommended that the Board be prepared to make a decision regarding the vacant seat.

10. Suggestions from Directors for items other than regular agenda items to be included for the June Regular Board meeting.

Director Powell requested that the issue of water and dead trees be added to the July agenda. Director Sinser stated that the Board is negligent in not looking for potential alternatives for Station 3.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:21 p.m.

President John Abraham Powell

Secretary Gene Sinser