

MONTECITO FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

Minutes for the Special Meeting of the Board of Directors

Held on August 9, 2021 at 2:00 p.m. at Montecito Fire Protection District, 595 San Ysidro Road, Santa Barbara, CA 93108 and via teleconference connection as permitted under the Governor's Executive Order N-29-20, dated March 17, 2020 due to concerns of COVID-19 ("Executive Order").

Director Lee called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

Present: Director Lee, Director Easton, Director Ishkanian, Director van Duinwyk, Director Powell. Chief Taylor 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 allotted for this discussion.)**

There were no public comments at this meeting.

- 2. Presentation of Military Order of World Wars Award, Dennis Merenbach, Award Chair and Marine Brigadier General Frederick Lopez, Presenter: Recipient, Fire Chief Kevin Taylor.**

Chief Taylor stated the presentation will be rescheduled for the September meeting.

- 3. That the Board of Directors approve the Cal Trans agreement. (Strategic Plan Goal 6)**
 - a. Staff report presented by Fire Chief Taylor.**

Chief Taylor provided a staff report regarding the Cal Trans agreement. Motion to direct the Fire Chief to execute the Right of Way Contract, Easement Deeds, and Payee Data Record Form with the State made by Director van Duinwyk, seconded by Director Lee. The Roll Call vote was as follows:

Ayes: J. Ishkanian, S. Easton, J. A. Powell, M. Lee, P. van Duinwyk

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

- 4. Report from the Finance Committee. (Strategic Plan Goal 9.1)**

- a. Consider recommendation to approve Financial Summary for FY 2020-21.**

Director van Duinwyk highlighted the Financial Summary for FY 2020-21. Motion to approve the Financial Summary for FY 2020-21 made by Director van Duinwyk, seconded by Director Ishkanian. The Roll Call vote was as follows:

Ayes: S. Easton, J. A. Powell, J. Ishkanian, M. Lee, P. van Duinwyk
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

b. Review PARS Post-Employment Benefits Trust statements for April, May and June 2021.

Director van Duinwyk provided a report regarding the PARS Post-Employment Benefits Trust statements for April, May and June 2021.

5. Approval of Minutes of the June 28, 2021 Regular Meeting.

Motion to approve the minutes of the June 28, 2021 Regular meeting made by Director van Duinwyk, seconded by Director Easton. The Roll Call vote was as follows:

Ayes: J. Ishkanian, S. Easton, M. Lee, P. van Duinwyk
Nays: None
Abstain: J. A. Powell
Absent: None

6. Fire Chief's report.

Fire Marshal Briner provided an update regarding Fire Prevention Bureau projects: Neighborhood Chipping Program, Roadside Weed Abatement and Annual Weed Abatement. Chief Taylor provided an update regarding the Dixie Fire. The Chief stated the LAFCO Municipal Services Review is complete. Chief Taylor stated the Solar Project remains on hold because of the setback issue. He noted the Facilities Ad hoc Committee will meet to discuss the Solar Project, as well as the rental property rebuild. The Chief stated that he and Chief Fish will attend a fire station design conference at the end of August. Chief Taylor stated that he and Chief Fish continue to work on the joint project Memorandum of Understanding, and the document will be in front of the Board for consideration in September. The Chief stated the Strategic Planning process will begin in October.

7. Board of Director's report.

There were no items to report at this meeting.

8. Suggestions from Directors for items other than regular agenda items to be included for the September 27, 2021 Regular Board meeting.

There were no additional suggestions from the Directors.

9. CLOSED SESSION: PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION (Government Code section 54957) Title: Fire Chief

The Board reported out of closed session at 3:09 p.m. with no reportable action.

Meeting Adjourned at 3:10 p.m.

President Michael Lee

Secretary Judith Ishkanian