

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, October 21, 2016 at 2:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Director Powell at 2:00 p.m.

Present: Director Powell, Director van Duinwyk, Director Venable, Director Easton, Director Lee. Chief Hickman and District Counsel Susan Bashum 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 of Valor Award: Skylar Peak, Jim Marsh and Jeff King.**

Chief Hickman presented Skylar Peak and Jim Marsh with the Valor Award. Jeff King was unable to attend the meeting.

- 3. Presentation by Core Idea Consultant, Robert TenEyck regarding phase 1 and 2 of the Public Information and Education project.**

Robert TenEyck provided a power point presentation regarding suggested new logos. The majority of the board approved the logos, with the exception of Director Powell, who objected to the logos and the process to which they were approved. Mr. TenEyck also provided an update regarding the community survey. The board determined that Directors Easton and Venable will review the survey questions with staff on Tuesday, November 1st. The community survey will begin shortly thereafter. The board took a break at 3:15 p.m. The board reconvened at 3: 20 p.m.

- 4. Approval of Minutes of the September 26, 2016 Regular Meeting.**

The motion to approve the minutes of the September 26, 2016 Regular Meeting was made by Director van Duinwyk, seconded by Director Venable and unanimously passed.

- 5. Fire Chief's report.**

Chief Hickman stated that there were no resources out at this time. He also provided an update regarding the recent incident in Summerland.

- 6. Board of Director's report.**

Director van Duinwyk mentioned that he toured stations 1 & 2, and thanked the Chief for total transparency. Director Easton stated that she attended the Water District candidate forum at Montecito Union School, put on by the Montecito Association. She also mentioned that the CSDA Leadership Academy Conference is scheduled February 26 – March 1, 2017. She added that the Early bird cost is \$600 for the first person, and \$400 for additional members that attend.

7. Suggestions from Directors for items other than regular agenda items to be included for the November Regular Board Meeting.

Director Powell suggested an agenda item for approval of expenditures for 2017 CSDA Conference attendance for Directors Easton and Lee. Director van Duinwyk suggested an agenda item for an update from consultant, Robert TenEyck.

8. CLOSED SESSION –

**A. Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation
Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to subdivision (b) of Government Code section 54956.9: One case.**

The Board reported out of closed session at 4:30 p.m. with no reportable action.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:32 p.m.

President John Abraham Powell

Secretary Sylvia Easton