

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

Held at Fire District Headquarters, 595 San Ysidro Road April 23, 2018 at 2:00 p.m.

Director Powell called the meeting to order at 2:06 p.m.

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

Absent: Director Venable

- 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. Motion to authorize Fire Chief to enter into an emergency access agreement granting Cal Trans access to the 1255, 1257, and 1259 East Valley Road properties to repair the San Ysidro Creek Bridge.**

Chief Hickman provided a verbal report regarding an emergency access agreement with Cal Trans. Motion made by Director Lee, seconded by Director van Duinwyk and unanimously passed to authorize the Fire Chief to enter into an emergency access agreement granting Cal Trans access to the 1255, 1257, and 1259 East Valley Road properties to repair the San Ysidro Creek Bridge.

- 3. Provide direction to Fire Chief regarding how to move forward with Employee Housing property. (Strategic Plan Goal 9.1)**

Chief Hickman provided a report regarding the current condition of Employee Housing property. After thorough Board discussion, motion made by Director van Duinwyk, seconded by Director Easton and unanimously passed to direct staff to secure bids on both, site clean-up and site plan, as well as consulting an insurance expert regarding the District's insurance policy.

- 4. Consider the adoption of Resolution 2018-12 authorizing an amendment to the contract between Montecito Fire Protection District and the California Public Employees' Retirement System.**

Chief Hickman provided a verbal report regarding resolution 2018-12. Motion authorizing an amendment to the contract between Montecito Fire Protection District and the California Public Employees' Retirement System made by Director Lee, seconded by Director van Duinwyk. The Roll Call vote was as follows:

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

5. Report from the Finance Committee. (Strategic Plan Goal 9.1)

a. Review Draft Preliminary Budget for FY 2018-19.

Director van Duinwyk provided a report regarding the Finance Committee meeting, highlighting the preliminary budget.

b. Review Budget Policy.

Chief Hickman provided an overview of the Budget Policy.

6. Consider approval of Budget Policy.

Motion made by Director Easton, seconded by Director van Duinwyk and unanimously passed to approve the Budget Policy. The Board took a break at 3:50 p.m. The Board reconvened at 3:57 p.m.

7. Report from committee regarding recognition of employees for performance during January storm event.

Director Eason provided a report from the committee regarding recognition of employees for performance during the January storm event. Chief Hickman provided an update regarding the recognition dinner.

8. Election of Countywide Redevelopment Agency (RDA) Oversight Board Member.

Chief Hickman provided background information regarding his recommendation of Craig Geyer as the RDA Oversight Board Member. Motion made by Director Powell, seconded by Director van Duinwyk and unanimously passed to nominate Director Lee as the voting delegate.

9. Approval of Minutes of the March 26, 2018 Regular Meeting.

Motion to approve the minutes of the March 26, 2018 Regular meeting made by Director Easton, seconded by Director van Duinwyk and the motion carried. Director Powell abstained.

10. Fire Chief's report.

Chief Hickman stated that the District has received over \$500,000.00 in donations, including 4 vehicles. The Chief indicated that he has been contacted by a gentleman who is trying to coordinate a micro grid in the Montecito area. Chief Hickman stated that

Wildland Specialist, Maeve Juarez was honored as one of the women of the year by Hannah Beth Jackson and Monique Limón.

11. Board of Director's report.

Director Powell stated that he was contacted by the Community Environmental Council regarding the micro grid project.

12. Suggestions from Directors for items other than regular agenda items to be included for the May Board meeting.

The Board determined that the next meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 29, 2018 at 2:00 p.m.

Meeting Adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

President John Abraham Powell

Secretary Michael Lee