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MINUTES

Thursday, June 10, 2021, at 6:00 p.m.

REGULAR AND CLOSED SESSION MEETINGS OF THE STANISLAUS CONSOLIDATED FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Station 26 Meeting Room, 3318 Topeka Street, Riverbank, CA

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Stanislaus Consolidated Fire Protection District met this date at 6:00 p.m. in the Station 26 Meeting Room with President Bernardi presiding and calling the meeting to order.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Bernardi.

3. INVOCATION

Pastor Charles E. Neal with Riverbank Assembly of God Church gave the invocation.

4. ROLL CALL

Battalion Chief Bray provided roll call.

Present:

Board President: Bernardi
Board Vice President: Goulding
Director: Neal
Director: Rivers
Director: Stanfield

Staff Present:

Fire Chief Holly
Battalion Chief Bray
Attorney Christopher Diaz
Clerk of the Board Frontella

5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA – *at this time, a Board Member may pull an item from the agenda*

President Bernardi asked if any Director would like to pull items from the agenda, Director Neal requested Items 9.E and 9.F pulled for clarification.

Motion by Director Goulding seconded by Director Neal to approve the agenda with Items 9.E and 9.F being pulled and heard under separate discussion. Passed by roll call vote 5/0/0/0.

AYES:	5	Directors:	Bernardi, Neal, Goulding, Rivers, Stanfield
NOES:	0	Director:	
ABSTAIN:	0	Director:	
ABSENT:	0	Director:	

6. CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION – *Declaration by Board of Director members who may have a conflict of Interest on any scheduled agenda item is to declare their conflict at this time.*

No Conflict of Interest was declared.

7. PRESENTATION/ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Item 7.A: Employee Recognition of Years of Service
Chief Holly Acknowledged Mike Anderson and Zach Gardner for 19 years of service and Daniel Bergquist and Zach Swanson for both having 7 years of Service.

Item 7.B: New Hires/Promotions/Retiree Announcements
Chief Holly acknowledged the promotion of Shawn Ehrenberg as he was promoted from Engineer to Fire Captain on May 28, 2021. Mr. Ehrenberg went through the rigorous testing process and Assessment Centre, Chief congratulated him for his hard work.

8. PUBLIC COMMENTS- *The Board of Directors welcomes participation in Board meetings. Matters under the jurisdiction of the Board that are not posted on the agenda may be addressed by the public. California law prohibits the Board from acting on any matter which is not on the posed agenda, unless the Board determines that it is an emergency or other situation specified in Government Code Section 54954.2. Public comments are limited to three (3) minutes per individual. Please make your comments directly to SCFPD Board President. **Comments will be accepted via Teleconference.***

No Public Comments currently.

ACTION CALENDAR

9. CONSENT ITEMS- *All matters listed on the Consent Calendar are considered routine and will be enacted upon by one motion unless otherwise requested by an individual Board Member or public for special consideration.*

Item 9.A: Waive Readings – Waive all Readings of Ordinances and Resolutions, except by Title

Action: This item was approved by roll call vote to Consent.

Item 9.B: Minutes of the April 2021 and May 2021 Board of Directors Regular, Special and Closed Session Meetings.

Action: Minutes of the April 2021 and May 2021 were approved by roll call vote to Consent.

Item 9.C: Acceptance of Warrants (Check Register) – May 2021

Action: Acceptance of Warrants were approved by roll call vote to Consent.

Item 9.D: Acceptance of Financial Reports – May 2021

Action: Acceptance of Financial Report were approved by roll call vote to Consent.

Item 9.E: Adoption of Resolution 2021-008 of the Board of Directors of the Stanislaus Consolidated Fire Protection District Approving and Authorizing the Fire Chief to Overstaff the Fire Captain Rank by One Position

Action: This item was pulled for discussion, Approval of Resolution 2021-008 by roll call vote to Consent.

Chief Holly gave the staff report and noted that this position is for a temporary period of a few weeks. This position will start after the 4th of July once the process with backgrounds, medical, and psychological evaluation, are done. Chief noted that staff has an opening of Captain position, he would like to fill position from an internal rank and that will leave all the positions filled. Chief mentioned that there is one candidate who has a job offer for a Fire Engineer's position and that will close out the list for the Fire Engineers testing process. Chief noted staff is asking for this temporarily position, this will take away some of the overtime, it will also cover vacations, sick, and holidays, he mentioned there is more than enough work to fill that position.

Item 9.F: Adoption of Resolution 2021-007 of the Board of Directors of the Stanislaus Consolidated Fire Protection District of Stanislaus County, declaring Surplus Property and Authorizing the Sale or Disposal.

Action: This item was pulled for discussion, Approval of Resolution 2021-007 by roll call vote to Consent.

Battalion Chief Bray gave the staff reported and noted the surplus of radio equipment was taken out of all the units. He reported staff has been contacted by a couple of local vendors who are interested in a dollar amount. These items are sitting in a trailer ready to be surplus property.

Motion of Director Goulding, seconded by Director Stanfield to approve the Consent items as presented. Passed by roll call vote 5/0/0/0.

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NOES:	0	Director:	
ABSTAIN:	0	Director:	
ABSENT:	0	Director:	

- **Consideration of Removed of Consent Item(S)**

10. DISCUSSION ITEMS

No Discussion Items scheduled.

11. PUBLIC HEARING

No Public Hearing items scheduled.

12. ACTION ITEMS

No Action items scheduled.

13. COMMUNICATIONS

1. **Correspondence** – None currently.
2. **Written Staff Reports** – Information and Discussion Items

Item 13.1.A: Fire Chief – Monthly Board Report and Call Log
Chief Holly mentioned that staff in administration has been working on streamlining some of our processes. He mentioned that the fire season is getting worse and there were 700% more burns for acres according to Cal Fire, up to May 30th of this year as opposed to last year. It is important to get employees on board as quickly as possible for better coverage.

Item 13.1.B: Training

Item 13.1.C: Local 3399
Sean Ehrenberg noted that staff was able to do some in person public events and charitable work. He noted that they attended and helped the National Ag Science Centre at the golf tournament on the 24th of May. He took a moment to thank the district staff, and office staff for their contributions.

3. **Verbal Committee Reports**

Item 13.2.A: Capital Facilities – (Rivers/Stanfield)

Item 13.2.B: Finance – (Goulding/Neal)

Item 13.2.C: Personnel – (Bernardi/Stanfield)

President Bernardi announced that there will be a Personnel Committee meeting on June 17, to discuss the job descriptions.

Item 13.2.D: Ad Hoc Prop 172/Army Ammo – (Neal/Rivers)

Item 13.2.E: Ad Hoc Censure – (Rivers/Stanfield)

Item 13.2.F: Ad Hoc Grievance – (Goulding/Bernardi)

- 4. Directors Comments** – *At this time, Board Members may verbally make individual announcements, report briefly on their activities, or request an item be place on a future agenda.*

Director Neal mentioned he would be meeting with Richard Murdoch regarding 172 monies and other funding that might be available. It was requested that this item be placed on the July 2021 agenda for discussion.

President Bernardi noted his approval regarding Shawn Ehrenberg’s promotion and congratulated him.

Director Stanfield thanked the Firefighters who fought the fire a few weeks ago that was closed to the Army Ammo building. He appreciated that staff has updated him on events happening in the district, he noted it is helpful in answering citizens questions regarding events and incidents in the district.

Staff was thanked for attending the Memorial Day ceremonies, it was noted how nice it was to see them in attendance.

14. CLOSED SESSION

The Board moved to Closed Session at 6:23 p.m. to hear the following items.

Item 14. A: Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation Pursuant to (Government Code Section 54956.9 (d) (1)). Foster Farms, LLC Foster Dairy Number Two, LP; Frantz Properties Family Limited Partnership, et al. v. County of Stanislaus; Stanislaus Consolidated Fire Protection District, Stanislaus County Superior Court Case No. CV-20-002107.

Item 14.B: Conference with Legal Counsel - Anticipated Litigation (Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2) One Potential Matter - Shatill Rozinski Photography v. Stanislaus Consolidated (see attached correspondence)

15. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

The Board returned from Closed Session at 6:45 p.m.

16. CLOSED SESSION REPORT

President Bernardi announced there was no reportable action taken at Closed Session.

Motion by Director Stanfield, seconded by Director Goulding to adjourn the Board of Director's meeting at 6:46 p.m. Passed by voice vote 5/0/0/0.

AYES:	5	Directors:	Bernardi, Neal, Goulding, Rivers, Stanfield
NOES:	0	Director:	
ABSTAIN:	0	Director:	
ABSENT:	0	Director:	

17. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business the Board adjourned.

ATTEST:

APPROVE:

Lori Frontella, MMC, Clerk of the Board

George Bernardi, Board President