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## ACTION SUMMARY MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS SACRAMENTO METROPOLITAN FIRE DISTRICT

Thursday, April 11, 2024

Held at the following locations:

10545 Armstrong Avenue – Board Room  
Mather, California  
&  
Remotely Via Zoom

### CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by Director Sheetz. Board members present: Clark, Costa, Jones, Rice, Sailors, Sheetz, and Webber. Board members absent: Goold and Wood. Staff present: Deputy Chief Bailey and Board Clerk Rittburg.

### PUBLIC COMMENTS

Public comments were not received.

### CONSENT ITEMS

Moved by Director Clark, seconded by Costa and carried unanimously by members present to adopt the consent calendar as follows:

#### 1. Action Summary Minutes

**Recommendation:** Approve the Action Summary Minutes for the Regular Board Meeting of March 14, 2024.

**Action:** Adopted Minutes.

### PRESENTATION ITEMS

#### 1. California Firefighter Cancer Research Study

(Training Captain Jeremy Crawford)

**Recommendation:** Receive presentation.

**Action:** Presentation received.

### REPORTS

#### 1. PRESIDENT'S REPORT - (President Goold)

No Report

## **2. FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT — (*Chief House*)**

No Report

### **OPERATIONS REPORT – (*Deputy Chief Mitchell*)**

#### **1. AC Spotlight**

Assistant Chief Kiley Keeley introduced Battalion 5, E111, and some of our reserves who spoke regarding our reserve program and its importance to the Rio Linda/ Elverta communities.

#### **ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT – (Deputy Chief Bailey)**

No Report

#### **SUPPORT SERVICES REPORT – (Deputy Chief Wagaman)**

##### **Facilities:**

- 1) Station 50 dormitory project, framing and drywall are complete and have passed inspections. Crews are now working on wall texture and paint.
- 2) Station 102 HVAC unit swap out is complete.
- 3) Station modifications have begun at station 102 in preparation for the implementation of Squad 102.

##### **Communications:**

- 4) Preparing to upgrade station altering in the new dorm at station 50
- 5) 4 support vehicles, including 1 new MIH vehicle undergoing up-fitting to support operational response
- 6) 3 new ambulance and 4 new type 5 engines will be equipped with radios and computers in the coming weeks

##### **CRRD:**

- 7) DFM Nygren & Marshal Law attended the Board of Supervisors meeting on March 26<sup>th</sup> for the first hearing of the revised Fireworks Ordinance. The ordinance was approved by the Sacramento County Board of Supervisors on April 09.

Notable changes for the community to be aware of are:

- a. The window for fireworks sales in Sacramento is shortened to noon on March 28<sup>th</sup> through 9 pm on July 4<sup>th</sup>.
- b. Permissible hours for fireworks use are 09:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. during the aforementioned date range only.
- c. Enhanced fines for fireworks use on the American River Parkway and all schools, and parks. There is a \$10,000 fine for each offense.

- 8) In 2023 the FIU recommended 2 juvenile subjects attend the Youth Fire Setter Program after fireworks related incidents.
  - d. Fire Investigators worked extensively with both families to encourage participation in the Youth FireSetter Program. The subjects successfully completed the program academy on March 20, 2024.
    - i. Of note, I would like to recognize Fire Inspector II Roman Klets who attended the academy with one of the subjects all three nights to serve as a Russian language translator.
- 9) On March 16, 2024, a fire occurred at 3333 Arden Way and involved an unhoused male that was living in the mansard of a vacant building. Investigator Morton apprehended and cited the suspect on arson charges.
- 10) On April 5, 2024, Investigators Sargent and Morton worked together to investigate a report of a male lighting multiple garbage cans on fire on Pope Ave. One unhoused suspect was arrested and booked on charges of arson as well as outstanding warrants.

### **3. SMFD – FIREFIGHTERS LOCAL 522 REPORT (Scott Owen, *Local 522 Representative*)**

Mr. Owen reported that most of the union leadership is at IAFF 10<sup>th</sup> District Conference. Had a productive meeting to discuss the transitioning of FDMs to MMP's and we look forward to continuing those discussions.

### **4. COMMITTEE AND DELEGATE REPORTS**

*All Committee Meetings will be held at the Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District Board Room, 10545 Armstrong Avenue, Mather, California unless otherwise specified.*

#### **A. Executive Committee – (*President Goold*)**

No Report

#### **B. Communications Center JPA – (*AC Greene*)**

No Report

#### **C. Finance and Audit Committee – (*Director Jones*)**

No Report

#### **D. Policy Committee – (*Director Costa*)**

Me tonight on two presentation items of revised administration policies, the Donated Leave Bank for Represented Employees and the Donated Leave Bank for Unrepresented Employees.

## BOARD MEMBER QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS

None

### **CLOSED SESSION:**

The Board recessed to Closed Session at 6:38 PM on the following matters:

**1. PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION § 54956.9 (a) – TWO (2) MATTERS OF WORKERS COMPENSATION SETTLEMENT AUTHORITY:**

- 1.** Timothy Barnes and the Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District  
Claim # 4A2304MRHBJ-0001, – Workers Compensation Settlement Authority  
Colin Connor of Lenahan, Slater, Pearse & Majernik, LLP

Moved by Director Rice, seconded by Clark, and carried unanimously by members present to give authority to its third-party administrator to conclude a settlement in this matter.

- 2.** Shawn Condit and the Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District  
Claim # 4A23025XKSV-0001, – Workers Compensation Settlement Authority –  
Colin Connor of Lenahan, Slater, Pearse & Majernik, LLP

Moved by Director Jones, seconded by Webber, and carried unanimously by members present to give authority to its third-party administrator to conclude a settlement in this matter.

**2. Pursuant to California Government Code Section 54956.9 (a) – one (1) matter of Industrial Disability Retirement.**

- 1.** Brian Watley and the Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District  
Claim # 4A2208B0Z9F-0001 – Industrial Disability Retirement –  
Ty Bailey, Deputy Chief Administration

**3. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION – Significant Exposure to litigation pursuant to California Government Code Section 54956.9 (b): One case**

Claim Against Public Entity Pursuant to Government Code Section 910  
Electric Bike Technologies, Inc. v. Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District  
Board Clerk Marni Rittburg

Moved by Director Jones, seconded by Costa, and carried unanimously by members present to deny the 910 Claim.

## CLOSED SESSION REPORT OUT:

The Board reconvened to open session at 7:22 p.m. General Counsel Lavra reported the Board met in closed session on several items: 1. Workers Compensation Settlement for Timothy Barnes, the Board unanimously approved to give authority to its third-party administrator to settle the claim. 2. Workers Compensation Settlement for Shawn Condit, the Board unanimously approved to give authority to its third-party administrator to settle the claim. 3. Industrial Disability Retirement of Brian Watley, no reportable action. 4. Conference with Legal Counsel on 910 Claim, the Board denied the claim and referred to the District's insurance liability pool for further handling.

## **ACTION ITEMS:**

### **1. Industrial Disability Retirement – Brian Watley**

(Deputy Chief Bailey)

**Recommendation:** After discussion in Closed Session, consider adopting a Resolution finding Brian Watley has suffered job related injuries and is eligible for an Industrial Disability Retirement.

Motion by Director Clark, seconded by Jones, and was not carried. The Resolution was not adopted.

To view the video of the meeting, please visit the Metro Fire Website or our YouTube channel:

<https://metrofire.ca.gov/2024-04-11-board-meeting>

[https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC9t-uKlc\\_oOUGNrmogdQ\\_QA](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC9t-uKlc_oOUGNrmogdQ_QA)

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:24 p.m.

Grant Goold, President

Marni Rittburg, CMC, Board Clerk

Jennifer Sheetz, Secretary