

Mokelumne Rural Fire District 13157 E. Brandt Road Lockeford, CA 95237 (209) 727-0564

Meeting Minutes of September 4, 2024

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Mokelumne Fire District at Fire Station 13-1. 13157 E. Brandt Road, Lockeford, CA 95237 at 6:00 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER-ROLL CALL: 6:00 P.M.

Present: John Anagnos, Mark Sperling, Joe Valente, Frank Schulz & Andrew Lucchetti

- 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: John Anagnos led the salute to the American Flag
- 3. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC: NONE
- 4. LATE AGENDA ITEMS 54954.2 SUBSECTION (B) 2: NONE
- **5. COMMUNICATIONS/CORRESPONDENCES**: Any changes to upcoming Business Liability Insurance please contact the Chief or Heather

6. CONSENT ITEMS:

- 6.1 **Approval of Minutes August 7, 2024**, Regular Board Meeting Minutes Motion to Approve: Joe Valente, Second: Mark Sperling, Vote: Unanimous Approval
- 6.2 **Financial Reports for August 7, 2024** Board approval of the Financial Expenses Motion to Approve \$38,412.15 in expenses: Mark Sperling, Second: Frank Schulz Vote: Unanimous Approval
- 6.3 **Warrant Approval** for Expenditures August 2024 \$28,000 Motion to Approve: Joe Valente, Second: Andrew Lucchetti, Vote: Unanimous Approval

7. OLD BUSINESS:

7.1 **Discussion & Possible Action: Water Tender Sale/Auction**. Approved to sale at auction with a minimum profit of \$6,500. Motion to Approve: Mark Sperling, Second: Andrew Lucchetti, Vote: Unanimous Approval

8. NEW BUSINESS:

- 8.1 **Discussion & Possible Action: Water Tender Bids for purchase:** Chief has received 3 bids for Water Tender purchase. We will be able to use funds that were never reallocated at San Joaquin County for down payment. Authorizing Chief Weber to go into contract for a Pierce Water Tender and use the funds from SJC as a downpayment and authorized a purchase of up to \$525,000. Motion to Approve: Mark Sperling, Second: Frank Schulz, Vote: Unanimous Approval
- 8.2 **Discussion & Possible Action: Seasonal Fire Fighters 2025** Reserve Fire Fighter program has had low participation and high onboarding costs. Adding an additional fire fighter as a seasonal position will help with coverage and consistent staffing, strike team deployments and save costs to the district. This will provide enhanced training, career

advancement opportunities and help with recruitment and retention. Begin recruitment for the 2025 Fire Season.

9. STAFF AND FIRE CHIEFS REPORT:

- **OPERATIONS** The Chief gave an update on operations and calls. Staff is being 9.1 deployed out to Strike Teams. Staff is continuing their training on policy updates through the portal. Upcoming maintenance includes: SCBA hydro static testing, annual latter testing, light replacement in the classroom, new dining room chairs needed and painting in the future.
- 9.2 **PREVENTION/PUBLIC EDUCATION** – Fire Extinguisher demo was recently held. Weed abatement letters are continuing to be sent out.
- 9.3 **TRAINING** – Chief and M. Duaime taught a Confined Space Class at the end of August. Seven students attended from Woodbridge Fire
- 9.4 USAR ASSOCIATION UPDATE - Chief gave an update on the USAR financials and equipment that was recently purchased

10. **COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:** None

- 10.1 **EXECUTIVE SESSION (CLOSED SESSION):** President John Anagnos reported that the Board would enter Closed Session at 7:55 p.m.
- 11.1 Section 54957.6: Personnel

Return from Closed session at 8:25 p.m.

Report of Action in Closed session – No actions were taken

11. ADJOURNMENT: Board meeting adjournment at 8:26 p.m.

Next Meeting October 2, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. MOKELUMNE FIRE DISTRICT IN COMPLYING WITH THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITY ACT (ADA), REQUEST INDIVIDUALS WHO REQUIRE SPECIFIC ACCOMMODATIONS TO ACCESS, ATTEND OR PARTICIPATE IN THE BOARD MEETING DUE TO DISABILITY, PLEASE CONTACT THE ON-DUTY FIRE CAPTAIN AT (209) 727-0564 AT LEAST ONE BUSINESS DAY BEFORE THE SCHEDULED MEETING TO ENSURE THAT THE DISTRICT MAY ASSIST YOU. FOR OTHERS WITH QUESTIONS CONCERNING THIS AGENDA PLEASE CONTACT MARK WEBER, FIRE CHIEF OR THE ON-DUTY CAPTAIN AT (209) 727-0564

Respectfully Submitted

Mark Weber, Fire Chief

Board of Director Signature