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Fire Chief

# Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District

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## **ACTION SUMMARY MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING**

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS**  
**SACRAMENTO METROPOLITAN FIRE DISTRICT**  
**Thursday, July 12, 2018**  
**10545 Armstrong Avenue – Board Room**  
**Mather, California**

### **CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 6:01 pm by President Barnes. Board members present: Barnes, Clark, Gayle, Goold, Jones, and Sheetz. Board members absent: Kelly, Orzalli, and Wood. Staff present: Chief Harms, Board Clerk Penilla, and General Counsel Lavra.

### **PLEDGE TO FLAG**

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

### **CONSENT ITEMS**

**Action:** Moved by Jones, seconded by Clark, and carried unanimously to adopt the Consent Calendar as follows:

- 1. Action Summary Minutes**  
**Recommendation:** Approve the Action Summary Minutes for the Board meeting of June 28, 2018.  
**Action:** Approved the Action Summary Minutes.

### **ACTION ITEMS**

- 1. Tax Exchange Agreement – City of Folsom Corporation Yard Annexation**  
*(Jeff Frye, Economic Development Manager)*  
**Recommendation:** Receive presentation and adopt a resolution authorizing the Fire Chief to execute the tax exchange agreement.  
**Action:** Moved by Goold, seconded by Jones, and carried (Ayes: Barnes, Clark, Goold, Jones, and Sheetz; Noes: Gayle; Absent: Kelly, Orzalli, and Wood) to adopt Resolution No. 2018-074.

### **REPORTS**

- 1. PRESIDENT'S REPORT:** No report.

## **2. FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT:**

During Chief Harms' conference call with Metro Chiefs this morning they reported 196,000 acres burning in California so far this year. At this time last year, only 68,000 acres had burned. We are on track for a record fire season.

### **Retirement**

Effective 7/1, Battalion Chief Brad Schumacher – 23 years of service

Effective 7/3, Assistant Chief Chris Quinn – 27 years of service

### **Promotion**

Effective 7/17, Assistant Chief Barbara Law, EMS

### **Reassignment**

Effective 7/12, Adam House, Battalion Chief, Training

### **Meetings Attended**

7/9, Rancho Cordova Chamber of Commerce - 7th Annual Elected Officials Reception very well attended with Assistant Chief Johnson and Director Jones. Additionally, they have been in contact with Rancho Cordova regarding Measure H, and while Metro Fire applied for funding to participate in this program related to fire prevention and was not selected, we are hoping to continue efforts in this area.

There was a significant wildland fire in the Aerojet area recently. We met with the Vice President of Ampac to talk about operations and working together.

House Bill 2118 looked at an IGT Reimbursement for fire base, this Bill made it to the Governor's desk this year, but will not be signed. We are working with our consultants on the Quaff Bill which we are hoping to benefit from. Groups, including Cal Chiefs, will continue efforts on House Bill 2118.

## **OPERATIONS REPORT**

It has already been a busy fire season in the state and locally. The Amador/El Dorado Unit is continuing to fight the almost 200,000 acres throughout the state, which Metro Fire is providing an engine for backfill in their jurisdiction.

Some incidents Metro Fire has recently responded to include, a 2 alarm assignment where two homes received damage in the Battalion 9 area, and a 30 acre vegetation fire along the parkway in the Clay Banks area. During this fire logistics were an issue due to the topography and the long overhaul. Over the weekend there was a 215 acre grass fire on Oregon Street near Aerojet, this was a well-coordinated fire by the command staff leading to successful containment. Sacramento City Fire has been busy as well, in fact so busy that Metro Fire Senior Staff Chief Officers were called upon due to the draw down. DC Shannon and DC Casentini helped on the Grant High School 2 alarm fire.

Additionally, Copter 2 has been returned, and Copter 1 is scheduled to receive maintenance.

Lastly, Metro Fire received live fire training from a church on Folsom Boulevard which was a donated property. This training took place on multiple occasion with another one taking place on

Sunday morning. Director Jones requests the training be publicized on social media to inform the residents of the training activity.

When DC Bridge opened it up to Board Member questions, Director Goold requested information about when the copter is responding to incidents within and out of the community, specifically wanting to know if there is a matrix followed. His goal is to ensure Metro Fire is making the best decisions for the community represented by the Board. DC Bridge responded by letting him know priorities are based on life and property, and there are times the helicopter is down for maintenance, or dispatched to neighboring communities.

### **3. SMFD – FIREFIGHTERS LOCAL 522 REPORT:**

Sean Scollard, Firefighter/Paramedic on B Shift reported out on behalf of VP Jamison, who was not in attendance. He echoed the comments made by Chief Harms regarding the busy fire season experienced so far this year. He thanked the Board and Chief Harms for allowing a crew to go down to Long Beach to honor fallen Captain Rosa. He also thanked the honor guard for attending the service, and the Fleet Division for preparing the apparatus to make the trip.

### **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 – (Barnes)**

Next Meeting: TBD

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

Assistant Chief Johnson reported out from the meeting that took place on June 26<sup>th</sup>. They received an update on the communications center equipment. Also, they had a workshop to explore the possibility to create a process for new agencies to join the dispatch program. Lastly, he shared some call statistics from June 30<sup>th</sup> through July 5<sup>th</sup> with 1,975 calls or an 88% increase, they received 244-289 calls per hour on July 4<sup>th</sup> while the average number is around 63-74, during this timeframe there were 120 grass fires, 80 of which in Metro Fire's jurisdiction, 31 working fires, 8 which were greater alarm fires, and 1 deployment of the communications van.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, July 24, 2018 at 9:00 AM

#### **C. California Fire & Rescue Training JPA – (DC Shannon)**

Next Meeting: Thursday, September 20, 2018 at 4:00 PM

Location: California Exercise Simulation Center (CESC)  
10545 Armstrong Avenue, Suite 320  
Mather, CA 95655

#### **D. Finance and Audit Committee – (Kelly)**

Next Meeting: Thursday, July 26, 2018 at 5:30 PM

#### **E. Policy Committee – (Goold)**

Next Meeting: TBD

## **BOARD MEMBER QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS**

Director Gayle expressed concern that his comments from the last Board Meeting related to the PBID were not in the minutes, and he inquired if our Board Meetings were recorded.

Director Goold thanks all the members of Metro Fire. He recently met with another elected official who expressed appreciation for the permit process and the ease of working with Metro Fire staff throughout that process. He congratulated Assistant Chief Law on her promotion, and acknowledged her commitment to the EMS community. Lastly, he commends the employees who have been working tirelessly in the Sacramento heat.

Director Clark thanked the men and women of Metro Fire, and echoed the comments of Director Goold.

Director Sheetz congratulated the recently promoted employees and retirees. She also inquired about the location of the helicopter during the recent fire along the parkway, and wanted to know if a UAV was deployed.

Director Jones also sends congratulations to those recently promoted employees and retirees. She thanked AC Johnson for his work with the Eppie's Great Race Committee. Metro Fire will provide safety to the nearly 2,100 registered participants. She thanked Jeff Frye for his work on the Folsom SOI Annexation Amendment. We similarly experienced this years ago with Airgas, and getting the revenue sharing agreements in writing because the revenue and tax code says the County does the bargaining for the Special Districts. CSDA and levels at LAFCo have been working to change this, however this change is a huge lift.

Director Barnes recently attended a Unity in the Community Event, and Metro Fire was in attendance as well. It was a great opportunity to interact with several kids in the community. He wishes AC Quinn all the best in his retirement, he had the chance to work with him during several Pig Bowl events. He also congratulated AC Law, he has worked with her in his other position, this is well-deserved.

**Recessed to Closed Session at 6:33 PM.**

### **CLOSED SESSION**

**1. Pursuant to California Government Code Section 54956.9 (a) –one (1) matter of Workers Compensation Settlement Authority**

Matthew Jewett and the Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District  
Claim # SMDG - 543013 – Workers Compensation Settlement Authority –  
Joel Kautz of Lenahan, Lee, Slater, and Pearse, LLP

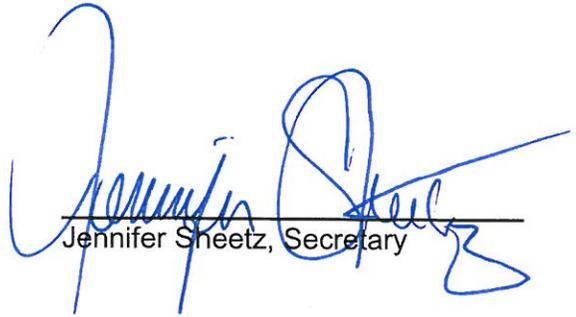
Action: Moved by Jones, seconded by Goold, and carried unanimously by members present to give settlement authority to the District's Third Party Administrator.

**Reconvened to Open Session at 6:42 PM.**

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 6:44 PM.

  
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Jim Barnes, President

  
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Jennifer Sheetz, Secretary

  
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Melissa Penilla, Clerk of the Board