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ACTION SUMMARY MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING

BOARD OF DIRECTORS SACRAMENTO METROPOLITAN FIRE DISTRICT

Thursday, July 22, 2021

Held at the following locations:
10545 Armstrong Avenue, Suite 200
Mather, CA 95655
&
Remotely Via Zoom

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:07 pm by President Kelly. Board members present: Clark, Gould, Jones, Kelly, Orzalli, Saylors, Sheetz, White, and Wood. Board members absent: None. Staff present: Chief Harms, General Counsel Lavra, and Interim Clerk Dehoney.

The board recessed to closed session at 5:10 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION

1. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR

Pursuant to California Government Code Section 54957.6

- A. District Negotiator: Jack Hughes, Liebert Cassidy Whitmore
Employee Organization: Sacramento Area Fire Fighters Local 522
- B. District Negotiator: Jack Hughes, Liebert Cassidy Whitmore
Employee Organization: Battalion Chiefs Bargaining Group,
Sacramento Area Fire Fighters Local 522
- C. District Negotiator: Jack Hughes, Liebert Cassidy Whitmore
Employee Organization: Administrative Support Personnel (ASP)
Affiliate of Sacramento Area Fire Fighters Local 522
- D. District Negotiator: Jack Hughes, Liebert Cassidy Whitmore
Employee Organization: Safety Senior Management, Management
and Unrepresented Confidential Employees
- E. District Negotiator: Jack Hughes, Liebert Cassidy Whitmore
Employee Organization: Non-Safety Senior Management, Management
and Unrepresented Confidential Employees

Action: No action taken.

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

Douglas Dolezal and the Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District
Claim # SMDS - 550412 – Industrial Disability Retirement
Deputy Chief Gregory Casentini

Action: No action taken.

Director Gould left the meeting at 8:33 pm.

The Board reconvened to Open Session at 8:59 pm.

REPORT OUT FROM CLOSED SESSION

PUBLIC COMMENT: Matt Carr a former Prosecutor who worked on behalf of other public safety clients, began his comment by thanking the District for their service. He also relayed that he is an avid river user and expressed concerns about the Metro Fire rescue boats. He has observed that they always appear to be operating at top speed, and while he is understanding that time is of the essence, this speed causes several problems including: possible accidents with other crafts and people on the river, erosion of the banks, and a negative perception of first responders by the members and communities they serve. Mr. Carr encouraged the Board to consider amending their policies for the use of speed with the watercraft and to only use excessive speed when absolutely necessary. Mr. Carr closed with declaring that he was grateful for the opportunity to speak but would have liked to not have to wait until after the closed session to do so.

CONSENT ITEMS

Action: Moved by Clark, seconded by Wood, 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 July 8, 2021.
Action: Approved Action Summary Minutes.
2. **Disclosure of Material Expenditure –High Availability Firewalls – Entisys360**
Recommendation: Authorize payment of \$167,029.23 to Entisys360 for High Availability Firewalls.
Action: Authorized payment not to exceed \$167,029.23 to Entisys360.
3. **Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) by and between the Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District and California Fire Mechanics Academy**
Recommendation: Authorize the Fire Chief or his designee to execute the MOU with the California Fire Mechanics Academy.
Action: Authorized the Fire Chief or his designee to execute the MOU.

ACTION ITEMS

1. **Industrial Disability Retirement – Engineer Douglas Dolezal**
Recommendation: After discussion in Closed Session, consider adopting a Resolution finding Engineer Douglas Dolezal has suffered job related injuries and is eligible for an Industrial Disability Retirement.
Action: On a motion by Jones, seconded by Wood, and carried unanimously by members present to give the District's third party negotiator settlement authority.

PUBLIC HEARING *(Facilitated by Interim Board Clerk Dehoney)*

1. **Refinancing of 2011 Lease Revenue Bonds**
(Ken Campo, Interim CFO and Rick Brandis, Oppenheimer & Co.)
Recommendation:
 - a. Conduct a Public Hearing to initiate a refinancing of the currently outstanding 2011 Lease Revenue Bonds.

- b. Upon conclusion of the public hearing, approve staff's recommendations and adopt a resolution approving the financing and all related documents.

Public Hearing:

A public hearing was conducted with the following framework:

1. Opening Remarks;
2. Comments and Questions from Audience;
 - a. There were no comments or questions.
3. Closing of the Hearing;
4. Board questions, discussion, and disposition

Action:

At the conclusion of the public hearing the following action occurred:

- a. On a motion by Jones, seconded by Clark, and carried unanimously to adopt Resolution No. 2021-077.

REPORTS

1. PRESIDENT'S REPORT—(President Kelly) – No Report

2. FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT – (Chief Harms)

Chief Harms thanked the Staff and Board Members who attended the Station 61 dedication to Engineer Robert Werner. He also relayed that the District attended a 2x2 meeting with the Sacramento County Board of Supervisors which was very well received. He closed with stating that there was currently a 2-alarm fire which our crews were responding to.

OPERATIONS' REPORT – (AC Greene)

Assistant Chief Greene reported that the 21-1 Academy was going strong with 22 recruits. Drill Master Captain Todd reported that all recruits are in good spirits. He gave kudos to E61 and M55 on A Shift who were recognized by the UC Davis STEMI Care Coordinator on June 18 for the care of a heart attack patient. Their early notification allowed for excellent care and a full recovery of the patient.

He also reported that since the last board meeting on July 8, there were 4,313 total calls for service with 14 structure fires, 4 of which were strictly within Metro's jurisdiction. One of these is the fire that Chief Harms referenced in his report, a 2-alarm in North Highlands. Also, E53 and M101 had the most responses during that period.

There are currently two OES Engines deployed, one to the Bootleg Fire in Oregon, and one to the Tamarack fire just South of Tahoe with 4 personnel. Those deployed to the Bootleg Fire are expecting demobilization, however will likely be redirected to another fire in Washington or Northern California. Also, Captain Duane Miller was deployed to the state of Washington at the Summit Trail Fire as part of the Incident Management Team. Shift commanders are in contact with the deployed members daily to ensure that they are doing well and have no additional needs.

3. SMFD – FIREFIGHTERS LOCAL 522 REPORT

Vice President McGoldrick relayed that the members are still dealing with staffing issues, including a rise in mandatories and call-backs. Membership is doing what they can to staff all stations. Now that the Lateral Firefighter recruitment process is closed, they are looking forward to the results and also at long-term solutions to assist members moving forward.

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 Kelly)

Next Meeting: TBD

B. Communications Center JPA – (DC Wagaman)

Report Out: July 13, 2021 at 9:00 AM

Chief Wagaman reported that an award was presented to Supervisor Julie Todd as trainer of the year by APCO. Also, the Board is requesting a workshop to sit down with current CAD vendor and future CAD vendor to give an update on the process.

Next Meeting: August 10, 2021 at 9:00 AM

C. California Fire & Rescue Training JPA – (Chief Harms)

Next Meeting: August 10, 2021 at 4:00 PM

Location: 3121 Gold Canal Drive
Mather, CA 95670

D. Finance and Audit Committee – (Director Orzalli)

Next Meeting: August 26, 2021 at 5:30 PM

E. Policy Committee – (Director Goold)

Next Meeting: August 12, 2021 at 5:30 PM

BOARD MEMBER QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS

Director Jones thanked staff for all of the information presented at the meeting this evening. The other Board members present echoed her sentiments.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:37 pm.


Matt Kelly, Board President


D'Elman Clark, Secretary


Michelle Dehoney, Interim Board Clerk