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MINUTES

Thursday, January 18, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.

REGULAR MEETING OF THE STANISLAUS CONSOLIDATED FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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

(THE AGENDA PACKET IS POSTED AT EACH SCFPD LOCATION AND AT WWW.SCFPD.US)

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 Goulding presiding and calling the meeting to order.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Board President Goulding.

3. INVOCATION

4. ROLL CALL

Board Clerk Called the roll:

Present:

President:	Goulding
Vice President:	Rivers
Director:	Bernardi
Director:	Stanfield
Director:	Neal – present at 6:12 PM

Absent:

Director:	Neal
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Staff Present:

Fire Chief: Tietjen
District Attorney: Joanna Gin representing BBK Law
Clerk: Sousa
Deputy Chief: Bray

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

Motion by Vice President Rivers, seconded by Director Bernardi to approve the agenda. Passed by roll call vote 4/0/0/1.

AYES: 4 Directors: Goulding, Rivers, Bernardi, Stanfield
NOES: 0 Director:
ABSTAIN: 0 Director:
ABSENT: 1 Director: Neal

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.*

None was declared.

7. PRESENTATION/ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Chief Tietjen acknowledged the following;

Employee Years of Service – January

- Battalion Chief Josh Tucker – 22 Years
- Battalion Chief Scott Burke – 1 Year SCFPD (25 Total)
- Fire Inspector Craig Peterson – 6 Years
- Captain Shawn Ehrenberg – 16 Years
- Captain Evan Bennett – 14 Years
- Captain Michael Crabtree – 3 Years
- Captain Austin Lunde – 3 Years
- Captain Joeseeph Zurilgen – 1 Year
- Engineer Byron Baker – 3 Years
- Engineer Dylan Foster – 3 Years
- Engineer Cody Wessels – 3 Years
- Firefighter Josh Leslie – 16 Years
- Firefighter Jordan Abreu – 3 Years
- Engineer Shawn Summers – 3 Years

January Employee Promotions:

- Scott Burke – Battalion Chief
- Byron Baker – Engineer
- Ciera Sansing – Fire Inspector

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**

9. CONSENT ITEMS

Item 9.A: Minutes of the December 21, 2023, Board of Directors Regular Meeting.

Item 9.B: Acceptance of Warrants (Check Register) – December 2023

Item 9.C: Acceptance of Financial Reports – December 2023

Motion by Director Stanfield, seconded by Director Vice President Rivers to approve the consent calendar. Passed by roll call vote 4/0/0/1.

AYES:	4	Directors:	Goulding, Rivers, Bernardi, Stanfield
NOES:	0	Director:	
ABSTAIN:	0	Director:	
ABSENT:	1	Director:	Neal

10. DISCUSSION ITEMS

No Discussion Items

11. PUBLIC HEARING

No Public Hearing Items

12. ACTION ITEMS

Item 12.A: Consideration to Approve Resolution 2024-01, Authorizing the Appointment of Jessica Sousa to fill the role as Clerk of the Board.

Action: **Motion by Director Bernardi, seconded by Vice President Rivers. The Board Approved the appointment of Jessica Sousa to fill the role as Clerk of the Board 4/0/0/1.**

AYES:	4	Directors:	Goulding, Rivers, Bernardi, Stanfield
NOES:	0	Director:	
ABSTAIN:	0	Director:	
ABSENT:	1	Director:	Neal

Item 12.B: Nomination and Election of 2024 Board Officers: President, Vice President, District Treasurer, and Clerk of the Board.

Action: The following nominations were made for the position of Board President, Vice President, District Treasurer, and Clerk of the Board.

- **President: Gregory Bernardi**
- **Vice President: Steven Stanfield**
- **District Treasurer: Brittney Withrow, Administrative Assistant III**
- **Clerk of the Board: Jessica Sousa, Administrative Assistant III**

Elections were passed by roll call vote 4/0/0/1.

AYES:	4	Directors:	Goulding, Rivers, Bernardi, Stanfield
NOES:	0	Director:	
ABSTAIN:	0	Director:	
ABSENT:	1	Director:	Neal

Item 12.C: Nomination and Election of 2024 Committee Members and District Representatives.

Action: The following nominations were made for Capital Improvements, Finance, Personnel, and Fire Advisory Committee. Decision to keep committees as is currently. Motion by Director Bernardi, seconded by Vice President Rivers. 4/0/0/1.

- **Capital Improvements Committee: Stanfield/Bernardi**
- **Finance: Goulding/Neal**
- **Personnel: Rivers/Stanfield**
- **Fire Advisory Committee: Goulding/Bernardi**

AYES:	4	Directors:	Goulding, Rivers, Bernardi, Stanfield
NOES:	0	Director:	
ABSTAIN:	0	Director:	
ABSENT:	1	Director:	Neal

Item 12.D: Consideration to Approve the Agreement between Jocelyn E. Roland, Ph.D., ABPP Psychologist, hereinafter referred to as the “Contractor”, and the Stanislaus Consolidated Fire Protection District hereinafter referred to as the “Agency”.

Action: Motion by Director Stanfield, seconded by Vice President Rivers. The Board Approved 5/0/0/0.

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

Item 12.E: Discussion of and Consideration to Approve the Mid-Year Budget Revisions.

Action: Motion by Director Bernardi, seconded by Director Neal. The Board Approved the Mid-Year Budget Revisions. 5/0/0/0.

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

Item 12.F: Discussion of and Consideration to Approve Deputy Chief Bray's Contract.

Action: Motion by Director Bernardi, seconded by Director Stanfield. The Board Approved Deputy Chief Bray's contract. 5/0/0/0.

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

13. COMMUNICATIONS

Item 13.3.A – Fire Chief's Verbal Report

- Chief Tietjen provided a verbal report for the month of December.

Item 13.3.B – Capital Improvements

- No Report Given

Item 13.3.C – Finance Committee

- No Report Given

Item 13.3.D – Personnel Committee

- No Report Given

Item 13.3.E – Fire Advisory Committee with Modesto Fire Department

- No Report Given

Item 13.4 - Directors Comments

- Director Bernardi congratulated Deputy Chief Bray and Battalion Chief Burke and others on their recent promotions. He also congratulated everyone on their work anniversaries. He thanked Andy Heath for the through work on the Mid-Year Budget.
- Vice President Rivers congratulated Deputy Chief Bray and Battalion Chief Burke and others on their recent promotion. He also thanked Andy Heath for his work on the Mid-Year Budget presentation he did.

14. CLOSED SESSION

Item 14.A: Conference with Legal Counsel- Anticipated Litigation:

- Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9 (1 case)

Item 14.B: Conference with Labor Negotiators:

- Agency Designated Representative: Tim Tietjen, Fire Chief
- Employee Organization: Local 3399

15. CLOSED SESSION - Report

Closed session began at 7:25 pm and ended at 8:00 pm with no reportable action.

16. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business the Board adjourned at 8:00 pm.

ATTEST:

Jessica Sousa /s/

Jessica Sousa, Clerk of the Board