



**Sonoma County Fire District Board of Directors**  
**Regular Board Minutes**  
**Tuesday May 16, 2023 ,2:00 PM**  
Location: Fire Station 1 - 8200 Old Redwood Hwy. Windsor

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**CALL TO ORDER**

Tognozzi called the meeting to order at 2:00  
Present for Staff: Chief Heine, Bolduc, Washington  
Present for Counsel: Adams

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**ROLL CALL**

President Tognozzi- present  
Vice President Treanor-present    Secretary/Treasurer So-present    Director Klick-present  
Director Briare-present            Director Hamann-present            Director Weaver-present

**OPEN TIME FOR PUBLIC EXPRESSION**

None

**PRESENTATION**

Kitchell, Inc. will discuss the current fire station construction projects in the County and discuss various options for project management.

**Three members from Kitchell, Bill, Mike, and Steve, made a presentation about the different construction options for our stations; Traditional Delivery and Design to Build. They discussed the pros and cons of both.**

**AGENDA ADJUSTMENTS**

*An opportunity for the Board President to approve adjustments to the current agenda.*  
None

**SONOMA COUNTY PROFESSIONAL FIREFIGHTERS' ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

*An opportunity for the President of the Sonoma County Professional Firefighters Association to address the Board on matters of the Association.*

**Dennis Rutkowski spoke about more fire Districts joining 1401; attending and participating the strategic planning meeting; thankful that health and wellness is a priority with the District and said he has had positive feedback about the physicals that took place a few weeks ago; getting back out into the community and events post Covid.**

**DIRECTOR REPORTS**

*An opportunity for Directors to report on their individual activities related to District business.*  
None

**FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT**

Chief Heine reviewed the activities of the crews and events over the month. He discussed; important upcoming dates for meetings and events; Fish Fest was a huge success and great to participate, Mother's Day pancake breakfast was well attended and good event; 4H Chicken Q was a



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great event; Strategic planning meeting with staff on May 1 & 2 was successful; Station 1 fire wise garden continues to develop; RFP presentation is on 4/20; SCFC & FSWG continue to work on sales tax measure for 3/2024; budget prep for 23/24 is ongoing; Great work by Karen Hancock on community outreach, social media, and events.

**CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS**

**A motion by A motion by Briare and a second by Treanor approved the minutes from the April 18, 2023, regular meeting, meeting and the bills and payables from April 2023. 7-0-0**

**ACTION ITEMS**

**1. EMS BILLING HARDSHIP APPLICATION 22-003998**

*The Board will consider approving the staff recommendation to reduce an ambulance transport bill and offer a no interest payment plan.*

A motion by Hamann and seconded by So approved the hardship application. 7-0-0.

**2. AUTHORIZE PURCHASE OF ONE FIRE RESCUE BOAT**

*The Board will consider authorizing the purchase of one (1) fire rescue boat (\$762,251.00)*

A motion by Treanor and seconded by Klick approved the purchase of the fire Rescue Boat. 7-0-0.

**3. AUTHORIZE PURCHASE OF FIRE EQUIPMENT**

*The Board will consider authorizing the purchase of fire equipment (\$132,365)*

A motion by Treanor and seconded by So approved the purchase of the fire equipment. 7-0-0.

**4. RESOLUTION 2023-10 RECOGNIZING EMS WEEK**

*The Board will consider adopting Resolution 2023-10 recognizing EMS week, May 21-27, 2023.*

A motion by So and seconded by Hamann adopted Resolution 2023-10. 7-0-0.

**COMMITTEE REPORT**

1. Standing Committee: Finance Committee- None
2. Ad Hoc: Facilities- None

**FINANCIAL REPORTS**

**Enclosed**

**COMMUNICATIONS**



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**CLOSED SESSION- Board and staff entered closed session at 3:25**

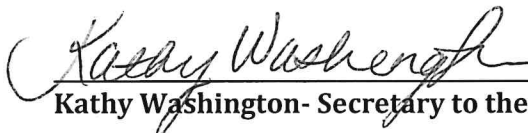
1. Conference with Legal Counsel – Pending Litigation (Govt Code section 54956.9(a):  
*AMR West v. California Department of Health Care Services, Sonoma County Fire District, Sonoma Valley Fire District, City of Petaluma, et al.; Sacramento County Superior Court Case No. 34-2021-80003757*
2. Anticipated Litigation (two cases) (Government Code section 54956.9(b)).
3. Conference with Labor Negotiators (Government Code section 54957.6)  
*Agency designated representatives: Bill Adams*  
*Unrepresented Employee: Fire Chief*
4. Conference with Labor Negotiators (Government Code section 54957.6)  
*Agency designated representatives: Fire Chief Mark Heine*  
*Represented Employees: IAFF Local 1401, Sonoma County Professional Firefighters*

**REPORT OUT ON CLOSED SESSION**

**Board and staff ended closed session at 4:50. Instruction given to staff; no reportable action taken.**

**ADJOURNMENT**

**4:50**

  
Kathy Washington- Secretary to the Board