### OCONTRA COSTA COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT ADVISORY FIRE COMMISSION

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#### **AGENDA**

#### MONDAY April 8, 2024 7:00 PM

- I. Call to Order
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Roll Call
- IV. Public Comments Period (non-Agenda items) Three-minute time limit per comment.
- V. Consent Items
  - A. Approval of February 12, 2024 Meeting Minutes
  - B. Accept and File Reports
    - 1. Personnel Report
    - 2. Fire Prevention Reports
    - 3. Correspondence
- VI. Discussion Items
  - A. Declaration of Surplus Equipment Report of March 6, 2024
  - B. Declaration of Surplus Equipment Report of March 11, 2024
  - C. Declaration of Surplus Equipment Report of April 2, 2024
  - D. Meeting Time Change
- VII. Fire Chief's Report
- VIII. Commissioners' Comments / Items for Future Agendas
- IX. Next Special Meeting Date and Time May 13, 2024, 7:00 p.m.Next Regular Meeting Date and Time June 10, 2024, 7:00 p.m.

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#### CONTRA COSTA COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

#### MINUTES

#### February 12, 2024

The Advisory Fire Commission met at a regular meeting on Monday, February 12, 2024. Chair Nakano called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the salute to the flag.

#### **ROLL CALL**

Present:

Commissioners: Randall Henderson - District I

Matthew Guichard - District II Susanna Thompson - District III

Don Mayo - District IV Richard Nakano - District V

Mike Egan - At Large #1 (missed roll call)

Brian Oftedal - At Large #2

Mark DeMarce – At Large Alternate #1 Donn Walklet - At Large Alternate #2

Fire Chief: Lewis Broschard

Commissioner DeMarce was seated for Commissioner Egan who arrived after roll call.

#### PRESENTATION OF SERVICE AWARDS

Fire Chief Broschard presented Battalion Chief Jim Brooks with his 25-year service award pin and Acting Battalion Chief Dennis Buchholz with his 20-year service award pin.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None.

#### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

A. February 7, 2024 Report on the Cost of Abatement

Chair Nakano opened the public hearing on the February 7, 2024 Report on the Cost of Abatement. Hearing no objections or protests to the February 7, 2024 Abatement Report, the hearing was closed. Chair Nakano then asked for a motion to adopt the Resolution of Confirmation confirming the February 7, 2024 Abatement Report in the amount of \$5,717.00. Commissioner Oftedal moved that the Commission adopt the Resolution of Confirmation confirming the Abatement Report. seconded by Commissioner Mayo. Motion passed (AYES: Henderson, Guichard. Thompson, Mayo, Nakano, DeMarce, Oftedal; ABSENT: Egan).

Commissioner Guichard made an additional motion to have District staff adjust or modify any charges found to be incorrect because the charge was entered:

- a) more than once,
- b) through clerical error,
- c) through the error or mistake of a material fact, or
- d) illegally

Motion seconded by Commissioner DeMarce. Motion passed (AYES: Henderson, Guichard, Thompson, Mayo, Nakano, DeMarce, Oftedal; ABSENT: Egan).

#### **CONSENT ITEMS**

- A. December 11, 2023 Meeting Minutes
- B. Accept and File Reports:
  - 1. Personnel Report
  - 2. Fire Prevention Reports

Commissioner Thompson made a motion to accept **and** file all reports. Motion seconded by Commissioner Mayo. Motion passed (AYES: Henderson, Guichard, Thompson, Mayo, Nakano, DeMarce, Oftedal; ABSENT: Egan).

#### **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

- A. Declaration of Surplus Equipment Report of January 18, 2024
- B. Declaration of Surplus Equipment Report of February 5, 2024
- C. Declaration of Surplus Equipment Report of February 7, 2024

Commissioner Thompson made a motion to approve the surplus of equipment listed on the declaration reports of January 18, 2024; February 5, 2024; and February 7, 2024. Motion seconded by Commissioner Mayo. Motion passed (AYES: Henderson, Guichard, Thompson, Mayo, Nakano, DeMarce, Oftedal; ABSENT: Egan).

#### FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

Reviewed/discussed the February 6, 2024 Fire Chief's report.

Assistant Chief/Fire Marshal Bachman reported that work on the Lafayette/Walnut Creek Shaded Fuel Break project began on January 29, and they are covering approximately two acres per day. It is anticipated that the project will take at least a year to complete. It is also anticipated that pile burning will begin in March.

#### **COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS / ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS**

Commissioner Mayo proposed a discussion about changing to an earlier meeting time.

Commissioner Guichard asked about an APOT update. Chief Broschard advised all to continue checking the County LEMSA website for updates.

Commissioner Thompson expressed thanks for County Coordinator Michelle Rinehart.

#### **NEXT MEETING DATE AND TIME**

The next meeting is scheduled for April 8, 2024, 7:00 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 8:33 p.m.

Latonia Ellingberg, Recording Secretary



#### CONTRA COSTA COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

TO: Advisory Fire Commission

FROM: Regina Rubier, Chief of Administrative Services

SUBJECT: Personnel Report

DATE: April 8, 2024

#### **SERVICE AWARDS**

#### **25-YEAR**

Bob Atlas	Battalion Chief	03-01-1999
David Woods	Fire Captain-Paramedic	03-01-1999
Jason Walker	Fire Captain-Paramedic	03-01-1999
Noel Luiz	Fire Captain-Paramedic	03-01-1999
Casey Lyons	Fire Captain	03-01-1999
Chris Liberman	Fire Engineer	03-01-1999

#### 20-YEAR

#### 15-YEAR

Aaron Heath-Paez	Fire Engineer-Paramedic	03-23-2009
Anthony Arieta	Fire Captain-Paramedic	03-23-2009
Casimir Karbo	Fire Captain-Paramedic	03-23-2009
Daniel Brooks	Fire Captain-Paramedic	03-23-2009
Frank Buccellato	Fire Captain-Paramedic	03-23-2009
Jared Palant	Fire Captain-Paramedic	03-23-2009
Michael Vela	Fire Engineer-Paramedic	03-23-2009
Michael Cahill	Fire Captain-Paramedic	03-23-2009
Vincent Aiello	Fire Captain-Paramedic	03-23-2009

#### **HIRES**

Shayleen Ellington	Fire Inspector I	02-01-24
Heather Cardoza	Dispatcher	02-20-24
Sean Dryden	Dispatcher	02-20-24
Julia Gehring	CQI Nurse	02-21-24
Jose Valenzuela	Fire Inspector I	03-11-24

#### **PROMOTIONS**

Dominic Ciotola	Assistant Fire Chief	04-01-24
James 'Whit" MacDonald	Assistant Fire Chief	04-01-24
Dennis Buchholz	Battalion Chief	04-01-24
Andrew Bozzo	Battalion Chief	04-01-24
Scott Kerksieck	Fire Captain	04-01-24
Matthew DeHart	Fire Captain	04-01-24

#### **RETIREMENTS**

Lon Goetsch	Assistant Fire Chief	05-06-02	03-29-24
Mike Quesada	Assistant Fire Chief	01-14-02	03-19-24
Damian Sanderson	Fire Captain-Paramedic	05-19-97	03-29-24
Michael Pacak	Fire Engineer-Paramedic	06-29-04	03-31-24
Samuel Transue	Fire Engineer-Paramedic	06-29-04	3-30-24

#### **OTHER**

Matthew Victoriano	Firefighter	02-19-24
Christopher Creed	Recruit Firefighter	02-21-24
Julia Bradley	Dispatcher	02-27-24
Erika Glenn	Dispatcher	03-02-24

#### **SUPPRESSION STAFFING VACANCIES**

	Minimum Staffing	Current Staffing	Vacancies
Fire Captain (Station)	117	112	5
Fire Captain (Safety Officers)	6	6	0
Fire Engineer	117	94	23
Firefighter	144	174	(30)
Firefighter-Recruit	0	13	0
Total	384	399	(15)

#### **NOTES**

- 1. The District is now staffing 39 fire companies some with three-person crews and some with four-person crews.
- 2. The District has a total of six (6) Shift Training Captains (Safety Officers).
- 3. Negative numbers represent a surplus over minimum staffing. Surplus staff at the Firefighter rank will eventually fill vacancies created through attrition and internal promotions.



# FIRE PREVENTION BUREAU FEBRUARY YEAR-TO-DATE





> 0 Educational, High-rise and I-3

624 Residential Inspections

11 Other Occupancy Inspections

13%

Compliance for State Mandated Inspections

Misc. Inspections

Re-inspections - 511 Special Ev 850 Inspections - 48 Business I Burn Permits - 4 Other Call

511 Special Events - 7
48 Business Inspections - 15
4 Other Calls for Service - 149

Engineering 636

587 Plan Reviews

Community Risk Reduction
Pub Ed Events 3
Total Educated 120

Defensible Space Firewis

Firewise Communities

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58

Weed Abatement Activities CRR Surveys

Fire Investigations 70
Arrests 3

**Training Coming Soon** 



## FIRE PREVENTION BUREAU MARCH YEAR-TO-DATE



Code Enforcement CE

1265 Residential Inspections

> 1 Educational, High-rise and I-3

13 Other Occupancy Inspections

Compliance for State

Misc. Inspections

Mandated Inspections

Special Events Re-inspections - 858 850 Inspections - 65 Burn Permits - 13

Business Inspections - 24 Other Calls for Service - 196

> 496 Construction Inspections Engineering 876 ш

968 Plan Reviews

Community Risk Reduction
Pub Ed Events 5 Total Educated 320 CRR

118 Fire Investigations 品

Injuries from Fire Arrests

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**Training Coming Soon** 

Firewise Communities **CRR Surveys** 58 Weed Abatement Activities Defensible Space

Chief Lewis Broschard Contra Costa County Fire Department 4005 Port Chicago Hwy., Suite 250 Concord, CA 94520

February 28, 2024

Dear Chief Broschard.

On December 12, 2023, my husband, Charles "Chuck", went into cardiac arrest while driving our vehicle and I was in the passenger seat. This happened at approximately 15:00 hours while driving eastbound on Ygnacio Valley Blvd. between Walnut Blvd and Homestead in Walnut Creek.

My husband's face turned blue, and he was not breathing. I knew that if he didn't get help, he would most likely die. 911 was called. Engine 1, Captain Sean Carder, Engineer Isaac Ramirez and Fire Fighter Kyle Cole arrived at the scene and immediately began life saving efforts.

He was quickly and safely transported to John Muir Hospital.

Chuck was immediately taken to the trauma room and was placed on the LUCAS chest compression system. After 38 minutes of compressions, Chuck took a breath. He was immediately intubated and taken to the catheterization laboratory where they found no blockages. Later in his stay, an ICD was placed.

Chuck spent the next 26 days in John Muir Hospital.

Chuck came home on January 6, 2024. He is doing very well, back to doing all his normal daily activities. He has full brain function and no kidney damage. It is just amazing to see him fully functional.

I would like to commend Engine 1, Captain Sean Carder, Engineer Isaac Ramirez and Fire Fighter Kyle Cole who arrived promptly and immediately began life saving efforts. Chuck was quickly and safely transported to John Muir Hospital where he received additional life-saving medical care.

If it wasn't for this well-trained, quick-thinking crew, Chuck would not be here today.

I want to thank these heroes for saving my husband's life.

Chuck and I are FOREVER grateful to them.

With our deepest gratitude,

Chuck and Teri

March 11, 2024

Chief Lewis Broschard Contra Costa County Fire Protection District 4005 Port Chicago Highway, Suite 250 Concord, CA 94520-1180

Dear Chief Broschard,

I am writing to express my sincere appreciation and gratitude for the crew on Engine 15 and subsequent ambulance response on Sunday March 10, 2024. This was not a medical or fire emergency, but a wheelchair rescue. I have Multiple Sclerosis and use a power wheelchair. My wife and I attended a music event at the Town Hall Theater in Lafayette. The stage is up a steep flight of stairs, and the theater used a lift to get me up to the stage area.

After the show was over, we were advised that the lift was broken and repair was not possible. The theater manager offered four "strong dudes" to get me down the stairs and I refused. My power chair weighs 250 pounds and I weigh over 200 pounds which means these four guys would be lifting 450+ pounds down a steep staircase. At that point my wife suggested that we contact the fire department and Engine 15 responded. The Captain on Engine 15 (I don't know his name) sized up the situation and determined that it would be best to get me out of my wheelchair and down the stairs using a stair chair. He asked for an ambulance response with a stair chair capability.

In the meantime, the band was loading up all their heavy sound equipment - they had used the lift for the show. Again, the Engine 15 crew responded and helped "rescue" the band's equipment and get it downstairs. Subsequently the ambulance responded and took me down the stairs successfully in the stair chair. At one point, I told the captain "I hope that there are no fire or medical emergencies that they need to respond to". He looked at me and said "We are here for you and we're not leaving until we get you down." That was so reassuring.

Eventually the Engine 15 crew, with the help of a lot of muscle and some ropes, (see attached) were able to rescue my wheelchair. Ninety minutes after this ordeal started, I was successfully back in my wheelchair and on my way home. I think the crew from Engine 15 as well as the ambulance crew will put this down on their tales of strange rescues and enjoy telling the story to their colleagues and friends.

Again, I am so grateful and appreciative of the efforts by all the personnel that were involved in getting me out of the theater. The Firefighters and EMTs that responded are my heroes and deserving of recognition.

Gratefully Submitted Mark

Walnut Creek, CA

Cc: Engine 15





# CONTRA COSTA COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT SURPLUS EQUIPMENT

{03/06/2024}

CONDITION:

A= Obsolete B= Wom out

C= Beyond economical repair D= Damaged/wrecked beyond repair

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# CONTRA COSTA COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT **SURPLUS EQUIPMENT**

## {03/11/2024}

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C= Beyond economical repair D= Damaged/wrecked beyond repair

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# CONTRA COSTA COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT SURPLUS EQUIPMENT

### 04/02/24

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C= Beyond economical repair D= Damaged/wrecked beyond repair

			PAGE 1 OF 1		
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4.		+-	Conference Table (County #: 01041)	UNKNOWN	O
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#### CONTRA COSTA COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

April 9, 2024

TO: Board of Directors

FROM: Lewis Broschard, Fire Chief

RE: Fire Chief's Report

#### **Operations Section Update**

#### Field Operations

- Two new Assistant Fire Chiefs were promoted to fill vacancies created by recent retirements.
  - Chief Dominic Ciotola boasts an impressive 32 years with the District, beginning his journey as a 19-year-old reserve firefighter with our predecessor agency, Contra Costa Consolidated Fire Protection District, and then getting hired full-time by the former Riverview Fire Protection District in 1991. He has ascended through the ranks, demonstrating exceptional leadership and expertise. Chief Ciotola has served in the very first group of paramedics in our District; he has valuable experience as a truck officer and has contributed significantly during his 12-year tenure as a Chief Officer, notably in policy development as the lead of the truck committee.
  - Chief Whit MacDonald brings 17 years of dedicated service to our District, following
    his service in the United States Coast Guard. His contributions have been
    instrumental, particularly in expanding our District's marine program, and he
    currently serves as the chairperson for the Statewide FIRESCOPE marine group.





Two new Battalion Chiefs were promoted to fill the vacancies created by the aforementioned promotions. Chief Andy Bozzo has over 20 years of fire service experience with 17 of those years in our District. Chief Bozzo has been involved in the rescue program and is one of the co-founders of Tablet Command, an innovative tablet-based fireground accountability and tracking tool now used in many fire departments across the country. Chief Dennis Buchholtz, a veteran of the Marine Corps, recently celebrated 20 years of service with the District and was most recently a Fire Captain serving at Fire Station 10 in Concord and Fire Station 70 in San Pablo.



- Significant incidents in March included:
  - A commercial fire at the Food Max in San Pablo. The fire was started in an aisle of snack food, progressed quickly, but was ultimately held in check by the automatic sprinklers until firefighters could extinguish it. The store suffered smoke damage, but property loss was kept to a minimum.
  - A significant vehicle accident occurred March 15 on Vasco Road with numerous cars involved, two of which caught fire. There were a total of five patients and three air ambulances were dispatched to the incident.
  - A residence was gutted as a result of an illegal marijuana grow operation in Antioch. The illegal marijuana grow operations are just as prevalent now as they were before the legalization of marijuana. These incidents require separate strategy and tactics to extinguish the fire and ensure the safety of firefighters during operations due to the extensive illegal renovations inside these homes to support the grow operation. There were no injuries reported.
  - An out-of-season vegetation fire consumed almost 20 acres of marsh and tidal land in Antioch, just northwest of downtown. The stubborn three alarm fire took hours to bring under control, sending thick black smoke into the sky throughout the incident. Luckily there was very little wind and what wind there was took the smoke out and over the water away from homes and businesses. The cause is under investigation.

 Crews assisted in rescuing a small child from a tree. The 3 year old managed to climb almost 20 feet up a large tree before needing to be rescued. He was all smiles when firefighters got him to the ground.



#### Training and Safety Division

- The operations section staff Chief Officers attended a three day leadership symposium in Portland, Oregon.
- Organizational DEI training was completed in March.
- Academy 60 is in week 12 and progressing well with 13 firefighter recruits. We anticipate the academy to be completed by the end of May.
- Personnel assigned to stations with Utility Task Vehicles (UTV) completed off-road driver training. UTVs are used for remote area rescues and hand crew operations.

#### Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Division

- An additional registered nurse was hired to assist with quality improvement oversight and training. This is the second nurse hired this fiscal year to work toward improving overall EMS contract compliance and quality of care.
- Fitch and Associates was hired to audit our emergency ambulance deployment model to identify additional methods to measure response time compliance given the current state of hospital delays and EMS system wide constraints.

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- A tentative agreement was reached with American Medical Response to be our Alliance subcontractor in anticipation of the District submitting a bid on the County's Emergency Ambulance RFP later this year.
- Stryker Power Load gurney systems were installed in 60 ambulances to assist crews with loading gurneys into the ambulances. This represents a significant capital investment to reduce back injuries and other issues related to lifting gurneys into the back of ambulances.
- Twelve firefighters continue to progress through their paramedic training at Contra Costa College in San Pablo. The need to increase paramedics without improved external recruitment is assisted by this new program at the college and represents a valuable addition in our effort to maintain paramedic service at the District.

#### Special Operations

The purchase order was finally secured for the additional fire/rescue boat that will eventually service the area of Discovery Bay. Estimated two year delivery time.

#### **Advanced Planning Section Update**

#### Fire Prevention Bureau

- The Bureau recently hired two new Fire Inspector I's which have been training under the supervision of the Training Captain. We anticipate these personnel to be in the field in mid-April.
- Wildfire mitigation and fuel reduction work continues with Crew 12 and Powers
  Forestry working on projects submitted in the public web-based portal for the CCC
  Wildfire Mitigation Program.
- The Lafayette/Walnut Creek Shaded Fuel Break has completed almost 70 acres in the first 60 days. The contractor is chipping onsite where they have access to the chipper. In limited access areas based on terrain, pile burning will start in April with the assistance of Crew 12. We are currently working on all the permits required for pile burning.

#### **Administration Section Update**

#### Support Services Division

- The Fire Station 14 apparatus bay and front driveway replacement project began last week. The District anticipates this project will take three months to complete. Fire Station 14 in Martinez is temporarily closed while this work occurs. The truck and engine from Fire Station 14 have been temporarily relocated to Station 12 in Martinez. Station 12 was previously occupied by the District's handcrew. In preparation for this project, the handcrew moved to the Byron Wildland Fire Center (formerly known as the Byron Boys Ranch) a few weeks ago.
- The emergency generator replacement projects at Fire Station 2 (Pleasant Hill) and Fire Station 81 (Antioch) have begun. The District anticipates the project to be completed by the beginning of June.
- The District is in the process of replacing the roofs at Fire Stations 10 (Concord) and Fire Station 5 (Pleasant Hill). The contractor started the installation of the roof at Fire Station 10 a few weeks ago. Once complete, the contractor will move to Fire Station 5.
- The first of the two tillered ladder trucks involved in accidents has been repaired and was delivered to the District last week. The second truck involved in an accident in Arizona has been repaired and was inspected at the Pierce Manufacturing facility by District shop personnel last week.

#### Fire Stations / Facilities Construction

- Fire Station 94, Brentwood: The design concept drawings (bridging documents) are complete. The request for proposals (RFP) for the design-build teams was released, and three teams have been identified who will be providing proposals for construction. Staff worked with the City of Brentwood to allow temporary parking on First Street until we are under construction.
- Fire Station 90. Brentwood: The CEQA process has revealed significant contamination levels on the site that will prevent construction unless mitigated and the site cleaned up. Testing indicates toxic products consistent with historic agricultural use. The early estimates are \$6-\$10 million for complete mitigation and site cleanup. Additionally, long lead times are required to obtain multiple permits from State and Regional authorities. This project has now been separated from the Fire Station 94 project so the downtown station can continue as planned. It is now necessary to evaluate alternative sites. In the long term, state grants are available to clean up the current Fire Station 90 site. Staff is working with County Real Estate to identify alternative sites.
- CCRFCC—Contra Costa Regional Fire Communication Center—Pleasant Hill: The project is out for bid. Staff will work with public works capital projects to develop construction contracts with the successful bidder and return to the Board for award. Construction will commence with a public ground-breaking ceremony.

#### **Public Information Office**

- Our PIO Team is expanding its reach and becoming more of a presence on social media and in the county. Lauren Ono and Capt. Toler has standardized the fire district messaging during emergency incidents. They have also helped expand and craft the fire district's external non-emergency messaging.
- The PIO office has teamed up with other county agencies to produce social media content. The team looks forward to starting The Contra Costa Fire video blog (vlog) very soon. The vlog content created will serve as content for the Fire District's social media accounts as well as content for the county's very own CCTV.