



CONTRA COSTA COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

MINUTES

August 12, 2024

The Advisory Fire Commission met at a regular meeting on Monday, August 12, 2024. Chair Oftedal called the meeting to order at 7:04 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
Mike Egan – At Large #1
Brian Oftedal – At Large #2

Fire Chief: Lewis Broschard

Absent: Don Mayo – District IV
Richard Nakano – District V
Mark DeMarce – At Large Alternate #1
Madhan Guna – At Large Alternate #2

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

PUBLIC HEARINGS

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

Chair Oftedal opened the public hearing on the August 7, 2024, Report on the Cost of Abatement. Hearing no objections or protests to the August 7, 2024 Abatement Report, the hearing was closed. Chair Oftedal then asked for a motion to adopt the Resolution of Confirmation confirming the August 7, 2024 Abatement Report in the amount of \$4,305.00. Commissioner Guichard moved that the Commission adopt the Resolution of Confirmation confirming the Abatement Report, seconded by Commissioner Thompson. Motion passed (AYES: Henderson, Guichard, Thompson, Egan, Oftedal; ABSENT: Mayo, Nakano, DeMarce, Guna)

B. Hearing on Abatement Orders

Chair Oftedal opened the Hearing on Abatement Orders for all properties listed in Exhibit 1, dated August 12, 2024.

There were no property owners in attendance representing any of the 295 properties listed in Exhibit 1.

Chair Oftedal asked for a motion to uphold and enforce all abatement orders listed in Exhibit 1. Commissioner Egan moved to uphold and enforce all abatement orders listed in Exhibit 1. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Thompson. Motion passed (AYES: Henderson, Guichard, Thompson, Egan, Oftedal;; ABSENT: Mayo, Nakano, DeMarce, Guna).

CONSENT ITEMS

A. June 10, 2024 Meeting Minutes

Commissioner Thompson made a motion to accept and file the June 10, 2024, minutes. Motion seconded by Commissioner Guichard. Motion passed (AYES: Henderson, Guichard, Thompson, Egan, Oftedal; ABSENT: Mayo, Nakano, DeMarce, Guna).

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

DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Discussion on the Potential Benefits of Reconvening the Contra Costa County Fire Commissioners Association.

Chair Oftedal expressed interest in reconvening the Contra Costa County Fire Commissioners Association, emphasizing the potential value of uniting the seven qualifying Groups, Districts, and Boards. The Fire Chief agreed to contact the representatives of the seven qualifying Groups, Districts, and Boards to consider the request to reconvene the association.

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

Reviewed/Discussed the July 9, 2024 Fire Chief's report.

COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS / ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS

Commissioner Thompson reported that the Trilogy community in Brentwood recently held a successful Fire Wise meeting with over 100 attendees. The meeting provided important information and perspectives, including updates on the Wildfire Mitigation Program and surrounding State Park properties.

Commissioner Thompson recommended that, in preparation for next year's Brentwood Community Wildfire Preparedness Town Hall, the District increase its outreach efforts, specifically targeting the Trilogy community to further boost attendance and engagement.

Commissioner Oftedal noted that he participated in four separate National Night Out events in Brentwood neighborhoods. He shared District updates and upcoming events with the community. Commissioner Oftedal described the experience as very positive and valuable for community engagement.

NEXT MEETING DATE AND TIME

The next Special meeting is scheduled for September 9, 2024, at 7:00 p.m.

The next Regular meeting is scheduled for October 21, 2024, at 7:00 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 8:18 p.m.


Emily Cooper Recording Secretary