

MONTECITO FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

Minutes for the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors

Held on April 25, 2022 at 2:00 p.m. in person and via teleconference connection in accordance with the requirements set out in Government Code section 54953 (e) and pursuant to the findings and authority set out in Montecito Fire Protection District Resolution No. 2022-06.

Director Lee called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

Present: Director Lee, Director Easton, Director Ishkanian, Director van Duinwyk, Director Powell. Chief Taylor and District Counsel Mark Manion were also present.

- 1. Public comment: Any person may address the Board at this time on any non-agenda matter that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Montecito Fire Protection District. (30 minutes total time allotted for this discussion.)**

There were no public comments at this meeting.

- 2. That the Board of Directors direct the Facilities Ad Hoc Committee and Staff consider alternative designs for the solar and energy storage project at Fire Station 91.**

- a. Staff report presented by Fire Chief Taylor.**

Chief Taylor provided a staff report regarding the Solar and Energy Storage Project at Fire Station 91. Motion to direct the Facilities Ad Hoc Committee and Staff to consider alternative designs for the Solar and Energy Storage Project made by Director Ishkanian, seconded by Director van Duinwyk. The roll call vote was as follows:

Ayes: J. A. Powell, S. Easton, P. van Duinwyk, J. Ishkanian, M. Lee

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

- 3. That the Board of Directors approve Resolution 2022-08, acknowledging receipt of a report made by the Fire Chief of the Montecito Fire Protection District regarding the inspection of certain occupancies required to receive annual inspections pursuant to sections 13146.2 and 13146.3 of the California Health and Safety Code. (Strategic Plan Goal 2)**

- a. Staff report presented by Fire Marshal Briner.**

Fire Marshal Briner provided a staff report regarding Resolution 2022-08, accepting a report on the status of all state mandated annual fire inspections in

the Montecito Fire Protection District in conjunction with SB 1205 and California Health and Safety Code requirements. Motion to approve Resolution 2022-08, acknowledging receipt of a report made by the Fire Chief of the Montecito Fire Protection District regarding the inspection of certain occupancies required to receive annual inspections made by Director Lee, seconded by Director Easton. The Roll Call vote was as follows:

Ayes: J. A. Powell, S. Easton, P. van Duinwyk, J. Ishkanian, M. Lee
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

4. Consider approval of Resolution No. 2022-07 Authorizing Remote Teleconference Meetings for a Period of 30 Days pursuant to the Brown Act. (Strategic Plan Goal 1)

a. Staff report presented by Fire Chief Taylor.

Chief Taylor provided a staff report regarding Resolution 2022-07, Authorizing Remote Teleconference Meetings for a period of 30 days pursuant to the Brown Act. Motion to approve Resolution 2022-07 made by Director Ishkanian, seconded by Director van Duinwyk. The roll call vote was as follows:

Ayes: J. A. Powell, S. Easton, P. van Duinwyk, J. Ishkanian, M. Lee
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

5. Approval of Minutes of the March 28, 2022 Regular Meeting.

Motion to approve the minutes of the March 28, 2022 Regular meeting made by Director Easton, seconded by Director Powell. The roll call vote was as follows:

Ayes: J. A. Powell, S. Easton, P. van Duinwyk, J. Ishkanian, M. Lee
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

6. Fire Chief's report.

Division Chief Neels presented the Quarterly Operations Report, highlighting response data, significant incidents, and project updates. Fire Marshal Briner provided an update regarding the following Fire Prevention Bureau projects: Neighborhood Chipping Program, Vent Retrofit Program, Evacuation Analysis, VTP

Environmental Analysis, and Annual Weed Abatement. Chief Taylor stated the May 23rd Regular meeting would be changed to a Special meeting on May 31st at 2 p.m. He noted the Academy graduation will be held on the same day at 4 p.m., location to be determined. Chief Taylor stated that he and Chief Fish have secured a commercial realtor, Ben Williams of the Santa Barbara Property Group. He added that Mr. Williams is looking for suitable properties in the area identified in the Fire Station Location report.

7. Board of Director's report.

There were no items to report at this meeting.

8. Suggestions from Directors for items other than regular agenda items to be included for the May 31, 2022 Special Board meeting.

There were no additional suggestions from the Directors.

9. CLOSED SESSION:

A. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS (Government Code Section 54957.6)

- **District negotiators: Abe Powell and Michael Lee**
- **Employee Organization: Montecito Firefighters' Association**

B. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS (Government Code Section 54957.6)

- **District negotiators: Abe Powell and Michael Lee**
- **Unrepresented Employees: Fire Marshal, Division Chief Operations, Battalion Chiefs, Accountant, Administrative Assistant.**

The Board reported out of closed session at 3:00 p.m. with no reportable action on items A and B.

Meeting Adjourned at 3:01 p.m.

President Michael Lee

Secretary Judith Ishkanian