

MONTECITO FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

Minutes for the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors

Held at Montecito Fire Protection District, 595 San Ysidro Road, Santa Barbara, CA 93108 on April 27, 2026 at 2:00 p.m.

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

Present: Director van Duinwyk, Director Lee, Director Easton, Director Pennino, Director Copus. Fire Chief Fallon 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. Demonstration of the Lifepak 35 cardiac monitor and defibrillator.**

The Board briefly moved into the apparatus bay to observe the Lifepak 35 cardiac monitor and defibrillator demonstration by the firefighter/paramedics on duty.

- 3. That the Board of Directors approve Resolution 2026-03, 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)**

Fire Marshal Briner presented the Mandated Fire Prevention Inspection Report. He reported that the 19 mandated inspections were completed for the 2025 calendar year.

Motion to approve Resolution 2026-03 acknowledging receipt of the report made by the Fire Marshal 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, made by Director Pennino, seconded by Director Easton. The roll call vote was as follows:

Ayes: J. Pennino, M. Lee, P. van Duinwyk, S. Easton, J. Copus

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

- 4. Report from the Finance Committee. (Strategic Plan Goal 8)**

- a. Consider the recommendation to approve the January, February, and March 2026 financial statements.**

Director Lee and Director Pennino provided a report regarding the January, February, and March 2026 financial statements. Director Lee made a motion to approve the financial statements for January, February, and March 2026, seconded by Director Copus, and unanimously passed.

- b. Review PARS Post-Employment Benefits Trust statements for December 2025, January, and February 2026.**

Finance and Administrative Manager Nahas provided a report regarding the PARS Post-Employment Benefits Trust statement for December 2025, January, and February 2026.

5. Presentation regarding Long-Term Financial Outlook. (Strategic Plan Goal 8)

Finance and Administrative Manager Nahas presented the Long-Term Financial Outlook to the Board to address any further questions they had. This presentation was initially made at the Board's regular meeting on March 23, 2026.

6. Consider declaring vehicle 1327190 (2014 F-550 XLT) as surplus and authorize the Fire Chief to sell, donate, or dispose of the vehicle as specified in the Surplus Property policy. (Strategic Plan Goal 5)

Fire Chief Fallon presented a staff report regarding declaring vehicle 1327190 as surplus. Motion to declare vehicle 1327190 (2014 F-550 XLT) as surplus and authorize the Fire Chief to sell, donate, or dispose of the vehicle as specified in the Surplus Property policy. Made by Director Easton, seconded by Director Copus, and unanimously passed.

7. Approval of Minutes of the March 23, 2026 Regular Meeting.

Motion to approve the minutes of the March 23, 2026 Regular meeting made by Director Lee, seconded by Director Pennino, and unanimously passed.

8. Approval of Minutes of the April 1, 2026 Special Meeting.

Motion to approve the minutes of the April 1, 2026 Special meeting made by Director Lee, seconded by Director Easton, and motion carried. Director Copus abstained from the vote.

9. Fire Chief's report.

Division Chief Hudley presented the Quarter 1 Operations Report, which highlighted emergency responses, notable fire incidents, training activities, one retirement, and personnel updates. The Board accepted the report.

Fire Chief Fallon informed the Board that a community blood drive will take place at Station 91 on May 6.

Fire Chief Fallon also reported that fire prevention efforts are underway, including the Neighborhood Chipping program, completion of 10 defensible space surveys, and participation of 14 residents in the Home Hardening Program. Training activities have started in preparation for the upcoming fire season. Additionally, plans are being developed for a community meeting in coordination with neighboring fire agencies to promote a unified, collaborative approach to fire preparedness.

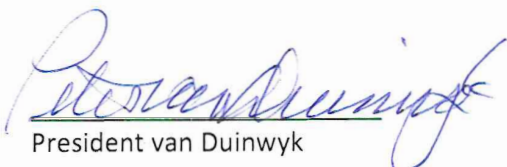
10. Board of Director's report.


There was none to report.

11. Suggestions from Directors for items other than regular agenda items to be included for the May 26, 2026 Regular Board meeting.

Director Pennino requested that the Board meet in preparation for the upcoming labor negotiations.

Meeting Adjourned at 4:04 p.m.


President van Duinwyk


Secretary Lee