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 June 22, 2026 at 2:00 p.m.

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

Present: Director van Duinwyk, Director Easton, Director Lee, 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. **Consider recommendation to approve Resolution 2026-05, Adoption of the Preliminary Budget for FY 2026-27. (Strategic Plan Goal 8)**

   Finance and Administrative Manager Nahas provided a staff report regarding Resolution 2026-05, Adoption of the Preliminary Budget for FY 2026-27. Motion to approve Resolution 2026-05, Adoption of the Preliminary Budget for FY 2026-27 made by Director Lee, seconded by Director Pennino. 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

3. **Consider recommendation to approve Resolution 2026-06, Amending Final Budget for FY 2025-26. (Strategic Plan Goal 8)**

   Finance and Administrative Manager Nahas provided a staff report and presented the Board with a list of budget amendments. Motion to approve Resolution 2026-06, Amending Final Budget for FY 2025-26, made by Director Copus, seconded by Director Lee. 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. **Consider recommendation for approval of Resolution 2026-07, Establishing the Fire Station Location Planning Committee, Rescinding Resolution 2019-08. (Strategic Plan Goal 1)**

   Fire Chief Fallon presented the staff report regarding Resolution 2026-07, establishing the Fire Station Location Planning Committee. Motion to approve Resolution 2026-07, establishing the Fire Station Location Planning Committee, rescinding Resolution 2019-08 made by Director Easton, seconded by Director Lee. 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

5. **That the Board of Directors authorizes the Fire Chief to enter into the License Agreement for the Upstaffing Location between Montecito Fire Protection District and Montecito Water District. (Strategic Plan Goal 1)**

   Fire Chief Fallon presented the staff report regarding the License Agreement for the

Upstaffing Location between Montecito Fire Protection District and Montecito Water District. Director Pennino made a motion to authorize the Fire Chief to enter into a license agreement with Montecito Water District for the upstaffing location, seconded by Director Easton, and unanimously passed.

6. Approval of Minutes of the May 26, 2026 Regular Meeting.

Motion to approve the minutes of the May 26, 2026 Regular meeting made by Director Pennino, seconded by Director Lee, and the motion carried. Director Easton abstained from the vote.

7. Fire Chief's report.

Fire Chief Fallon recognized Firefighter/Paramedic Jared Gamm for receiving the Rotary Club of Montecito Employee of the Year Award on June 2nd.

The South Coast Community Fire Meeting took place on June 15 at Santa Barbara City College. The meeting was a collaborative effort with neighboring agencies.

Effective June 22nd, a continuously staffed firefighter/paramedic position will be implemented on Medic Engine 92 at Station 92.

Fire Chief Fallon reported that the Neighborhood Chipping Program for 2026 has been completed, resulting in over 300 tons of vegetation removed from the district.

Additionally, Fire Chief Fallon mentioned that the fee schedule and discussions for sprinkler plan checks are being prepared for the next meeting.

8. Board of Director's report.

There were no items to report at this meeting.

9. Suggestions from Directors for items other than regular agenda items to be included for the July 27, 2026, Regular Board meeting.

There were no items to report at this meeting.

Meeting Adjourned at 2:53 p.m.

Sylvia Easton
President Easton

Secretary Lee