



Russian River Fire District Board of Directors

Board Meeting Minutes

August 14, 2019

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Location: Fire Station 1

14100 Armstrong Woods Rd., Guerneville, CA 95446

CALL TO ORDER

Weaver called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

Present for Staff: Chief Heine, Flowers

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Pledge of allegiance was led by Limbert.

ROLL CALL

President Weaver- Present

Director Butts-Present

Director Jackson-Present

Director Limbert-Present

Director Symmonds-Present

OPEN TIME FOR PUBLIC EXPRESSION

Lois-Will EOC radio coordination be continued or expanded upon annexation? Cloverdale firefighter quoted in Sonoma County Gazette: wait for police and/or fire to tell residents to evacuate rather than community members leaving early. What are our thoughts on that?
John-August 6th National Night Out-saddened that no representatives were present at the Rio Nido event.

Lloyd-Russian River Redevelopment Oversight Committee meeting-request submitted for detailed accounting for the Russian River area, RRROC response: not in their purview. Lloyd is continuing to make an effort on behalf of special districts.

AGENDA ADJUSTMENTS

Weaver requested to hear action item #6 before action item #1.

A motion by Jackson, seconded by Symmonds moved action item #6 before action item #1 and approve the agenda as amended. VOTE: 5/0/0.

PROMOTIONAL APPOINTMENT: ENGINEER AARON KUCHARSKI

Chief Heine administered the oath of office to Engineer Kucharski.

PUBLIC HEARING-2019/2020 SPECIAL TAX RATE

What would tax look like under Sonoma County Fire District?

How can one make public comment when information is not provided? Suggestion: project information on white board.

Tax has a high and low limit, Measure F gave a range.

How District is run determines the budget/tax funding needed.



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RESOLUTION 19/20-02 ADOPTING FISCAL YEAR 2019/2020 SPECIAL TAX RATE

Mr. Bill Adams explained the process of the public hearing and setting the tax rate.

Jackson read Resolution 19/20-02.

Weaver: rates are identical to last year; no change in rate.

Jackson: Is this the same resolution that has been passed for 9 years? Yes.

Limbert: District has been working diligently on budget and financials to keep the District on track.

A motion by Jackson, seconded by Limbert adopted Resolution 19/20-02. 5-0-0. Roll call vote taken.

PRESENTATION

None.

RUSSIAN RIVER PROFESSIONAL FIREFIGHTERS ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT'S REPORT

None.

DIRECTOR REPORTS

Weaver: 7/12 met with CERT coordinator Marilyn Fox, 7/20 spoke with Guerneville Park Homeowners Association, 7/24 met with Chief Heine & Gustafson, Terri Bolduc and USDA representative regarding options of USDA loans/grants.

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT/STAFF REPORT

August 6th-National Night Out, great opportunity to interact with district residents, implementation of the new fire and EMS reporting system has begun bringing several advancements over the previous system and also aligns with SCSFD, 135 incidents for the month of July including a minor structure fire at Johnson's beach and mutual aid to Forestville fire for a structure fire.

CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS

A motion by Limbert, seconded by Symmonds approved the minutes of July 10, 2019 and July 2019 financial information. 5-0-0.

ACTION ITEMS

1. FRIENDS OF RIO NIDO-RIO NIDO POST OFFICE REQUEST

Pip Marquez provided an update on the status of the Rio Nido Post Office.



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On a consensus of the Board, Chief Heine, Weaver and counsel will meet with Friends of Rio Nido to discuss the possibility of leasing a portion of the Rio Nido Station for the use of a Post Office.

2. **RESOLUTION 19/20-03 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SONOMA COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT AND THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE RUSSIAN RIVER FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT; CONSTITUTING THE DISTRICTS' RESOLUTION OF APPLICATION TO THE LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION OF SONOMA COUNTY FOR AMENDMENT OF DISTRICTS' SPHERES OF INFLUENCE AND THE ANNEXATION OF THE RUSSIAN RIVER FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT INTO THE SONOMA COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT.**

The Board of Directors will consider approving Resolution 19/20/03 and approve the concurrent resolution constituting the Districts' resolution of application to the LAFCO commission of Sonoma County for amendment of District's spheres of influence and annexation of RRFPD by SCFD.

A motion by Limbert, seconded by Butts adopted Resolution 19/20-03 as presented. 5-0-0. Roll call vote taken.

3. **RESOLUTION 19/20-04 APPROVING THE DEPARTMENT OF FORESTRY AND FIRE PROTECTION AGREEMENT # 7FG19107**

The Board of Directors will consider approving Resolution 19/20-04 and approve the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection Agreement # 7FG19107

A motion by Jackson, seconded by Butts adopted Resolution 19/20-04. 5-0-0. Roll call vote taken.

4. **RESOLUTION 19/20-05 IAFF 1401 RECOGNITION**

The Board of Directors will consider approving Resolution 19/20-05 and recognize Russian River Professional Firefighters Association is now affiliated with Santa Rosa Firefighters L1401.

A motion by Butts, seconded by Symmonds adopted Resolution 19/20-05. 5-0-0. Roll call vote taken.

5. **FINANCE COMMITTEE CHARTER & MEETING SCHEDULE**

The Board of Directors wishes to establish a Finance Committee as a Standing Committee of the Board of Directors. The Committee Charter establishes the Finance Committee and defines its areas of responsibility, Committee members, meeting schedule, and scope of work.

A motion by Butts, seconded by Symmonds adopted the finance committee charter documents and appointed Jackson and Limbert to the finance committee. 5-0-0.

6. **APPOINTMENT OF BOARD GOVERNANCE**

The Board of Directors will consider the appointment of officers pursuant to Health & Safety code 13853.



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A motion by Limbert, seconded by Symmonds nominated Weaver to remain as President. There were no further nominations for President. 5-0-0.

A motion by Butts, seconded by Limbert nominated Jackson to be Vice President. There were no further nominations for Vice President. 5-0-0.

COMMITTEE REPORT

1. Finance- Did not meet.
2. Strategic Planning- Did not meet.
3. Evacuation Planning- Did not meet.
4. Labor Negotiations- Did not meet.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Chief Heine provided information to the Board on the fraudulent charges to the Bank of the West account. Recommendation was given to move accounts to Summit State Bank for security purposes.

A motion by Butts, seconded by Jackson to move accounts to Summit State Bank and name Charles Limbert, Krista Butts, Ashley Symmonds, William Jackson and Jason Weaver as signers on the accounts. 5-0-0.

COMMUNICATIONS

Linda-thanked the Board and staff for the respect shown to her and congratulated the District on the passage of the resolution to be annexed; it is a great thing.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion by Limbert, seconded by Butts adjourned the meeting at 9:06 p.m.

/s/ Jason Weaver
Jason Weaver, Board President

Date: 9 18 19

/s/ Heidi Flowers
Heidi Flowers, Board Clerk

Date: 9.18.19