

# MOKELUMNE FIRE DISTRICT

## MEETING MINUTES OF MARCH 1, 2023

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The **Regular** meeting of the Board of Directors of the Mokelumne Fire District was called to order by President John Anagnos on March 1, 2023 at Fire Station 13-1, 13157 E. Brandt Road, Lockeford, CA. 95237 at 7:10 pm.

**1. Call to Order-Roll Call**

Present: John Anagnos, Joe Valente, Jim Tamura, Mark Sperling, Frank Schulz  
Absent: None

Staff present: Fire Chief Mark Weber, FF/Engineer Kelepi Tuavaoo,, Firefighter Dominic Ramirez, and Administrative Assistant Lorena Coose

**2. Pledge of Allegiance:** J. Anagnos led the salute to the American Flag.

**3. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:** None

**4. ADDITIONS/REVISIONS TO AGENDA:** None

**5. COMMUNICATIONS:** Chief Mark Weber noted that the Brown Act Training would be conducted by the lawyer. Chief Weber advised the Board that the training would be scheduled either at the end of March or second week of April more information to follow.

**6. CONSENT ITEMS:**

**6.1** Minutes for Regular Board Meeting on February 1, 2023

Motion to approve the minutes: Joe Valente

Second: Mark Sperling

Vote: Unanimous Approval

**6.2** Minutes for Special Board Meeting on February 14, 2023

Motion to approve the minutes with the correction on item 6.2 – adding Joe Valente to the role call vote as a “yes” made by Mark Sperling

Second: Joe Valente

Vote: Unanimous Approval

**6.3** Financial Reports – Unpaid Bills Report

The financials were reviewed, and all items are in order for the February 2023 expenses totaling \$51,624.83.

Motion to approve the February 2023 Financials made by Joe Valente.

Second: Mark Sperling

Vote: Unanimous Approval

**7. OLD BUSINESS:**

**7.1 STATION IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS**

a. Station Addition Project – Fire Chief Mark Weber noted this project is still on hold.

- b. Solar Project - Fire Chief Mark Weber noted that he would be working with F&M Bank to discuss funding options for Solar. Director Sperling noted that PG&E is making changes to the way they structure solar, so any new solar projects will be under a different format. There are no details at this time.

**7.2 DISCUSSION & POSSIBLE ACTION RE: SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY AMERICAN RESOURCE PLAN ACT (ARPA) FUNDING EXPENDITURES**

Fire Chief Mark Weber noted that the 14' rubber boat was delivered, the prop is being built, and the command vehicle lights installation will be installed.

**8. NEW BUSINESS:**

**8.1 DISCUSSION & POSSIBLE ACTION: NEW FIREFIGHTER HIRE**

Chief Weber noted that there are two positions that are currently open; he suggested that the Board fill the full-time position and leave the contract position vacant at this time.

Motion to approve hiring a firefighter due to the vacant full-time position made by Mark Sperling

Second: Joe Valente

Vote: Unanimous Approval

**9. STAFF AND FIRE CHIEFS REPORT:**

- 9.1** Operations – Fire Chief Weber provided an overview of the calls for the month of February 2023 noting that he is submitting a reimbursement request for the Storm Response. The Type III is in service for primer pump. Information has been sent to ESO (the new records management system).

Chief Weber has started a new process for purchases made with the District credit cards noting that receipts will be submitted along with a form that lists the description of the purchase and is signed by the employee.

Chief Weber contacted our current approved vendors to update the approved list of active staff allowed to charge purchases to the accounts.

Administrative Assistant Lorena Coose provided an update on the Budget.

- 9.2** Fire Prevention/Public Education – Fire Chief Weber noted that BC Firman is working on updating fire permits and there have been several driveway inspections completed.
- 9.3** Training – Fire Chief Weber noted that there would be a training burn on March 11 on Harney and Wells. Division C training was conducted by Clements Fire in February 2023. Driver training is completed for the Type IV.

**10. EXECUTIVE (CLOSED) SESSION:**

Board President John Anagnos announced that the Board would enter closed session at 7:52 p.m. to discuss the following:

**10.1** Section 54957.6: PERSONNEL

**10.2** Public Employee: Fire Chief Contract

Board President John Anagnos reported that the Board returned from closed session at 9:07 p.m.

**10.3** Report of Actions Taken in Closed Session:

Board President John Anagnos reported that no reportable action was taken in closed session.

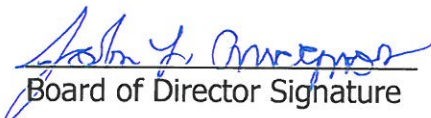
**11. ADJOURNMENT:**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 pm.

***Next regular meeting will be held on April 5, 2023 at 7:00 pm.***

Respectfully submitted,

Mark Weber, Interim Fire Chief

  
Board of Director Signature