



ARCATA FIRE DISTRICT

MINUTES

Regular Board Meeting

October 8, 2024

5:30 p.m.

Location: 631 9th Street, Arcata

Arcata Fire Station Classroom

Board of Directors

Eric Loudenslager (Division 4) - President, Jason Akana (Division 5) - Vice President, Nicole Johnson (Division 2) - Director, Blaine Maynor (Division 1) - Director, Randy Mendosa (Division 3) - Director

CALL TO ORDER

The regular session of the Board of Directors for the Arcata Fire District was called to order by President Eric Loudenslager at 5:29 pm.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Loudenslager.

ATTENDANCE AND DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM

The meeting continued with a quorum and the following were present: President Eric Loudenslager, Vice President Jason Akana, Director Nicole Johnson, and Director Randy Mendosa. Director Blaine Maynor was absent.

Additional District administrative staff included Chief Chris Emmons, Assistant Chief Ross McDonald, and Board Clerk Katie Hill.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

It was moved to approve the agenda.

Motion: Akana; Second: Mendosa

Roll Call: Ayes; Akana, Johnson, Mendosa, Loudenslager. **Absent:** Maynor
Motion carries

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments.

Local 4981 – Captain Marcus Lillard reviewed the Local 4981 monthly report. Directors provided comments and asked questions that were answered by Captain Lillard. Public member Daryl Chin asked questions.

CLOSED SESSION

1. Conference with Real Property Negotiators (Gov. Code section 54956.8.)
Property: 631 9th Street, Arcata CA 95521
Agency negotiator: *District Counsel, Ryan Plotz*
2. Deliberation re: an Employment Matter (Gov. Code Section 54957)
Agency designated representative: *District Counsel, Peter Cress*

President Loudenslager adjourned to closed session at 5:48 pm.

The meeting was reconvened at 6:33 pm.

Report out of closed session by President Loudenslager; nothing to report.

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Minutes from September 10, 2024, Regular Meeting
2. September 2024 Financial Report

It was moved to approve consent calendar items.

Motion: Mendosa, Second: Johnson

Roll Call: Ayes; Akana, Johnson, Mendosa, Loudenslager. **Absent:** Maynor
Motion carries

DISTRICT BUSINESS

1. Approve the Secured Property Tax Revenue Exchange Agreement with the County of Humboldt for the Annexation of Arcata Fire District Good Will Response Area

Chief Emmons read his staff note aloud. It was noted that information in the agreement was incorrect and would be amended by LAFCo.

Directors provided comments and questions.

There were no comments from the public.

It was moved to approve, and authorize the Chair of the Board to execute, a secured property tax revenue exchange agreement with Arcata Fire Protection District and adopt the attached resolution authorizing a secured property tax revenue exchange between the County of Humboldt and Arcata Fire Protection District.

Motion: Akana; Second: Johnson

Roll Call: Ayes; Akana, Johnson, Mendosa, Loudenslager. **Absent:** Maynor
Motion carries

2. Approve Proposed Contract with Restoration Counseling Centers for Arcata Fire District Staff

Chief Emmons read his staff note aloud.

Directors provided comments.

There were no comments from the public.

Captain Marcus Lillard spoke on behalf of Local 4981.

It was moved to approve the attached contract and authorize the Fire Chief to sign and execute the contract on behalf of the District.

Motion: Akana; Second: Mendosa

Roll Call: Ayes; Akana, Johnson, Mendosa, Loudenslager. **Absent:** Maynor
Motion carries

CORRESPONDENCE & COMMUNICATIONS

1. Public Correspondence
 - a. Thank you card from Arcata High Ag. Mechanics – Fire Marshal Ed Laidlaw
 - b. Prior to the meeting and after the agenda had been posted, a thank you note was received from Humboldt Bay Fire. A copy of it was available for public viewing and copy will be added to the minutes as Attachment 1.
2. Committee Reports
 - a. Fire Station Ad-Hoc Committee (*Maynor, Akana*) – nothing to report
 - b. AVFA, L4981, AFD Relations Ad-Hoc Committee (*Maynor*) – nothing to report
 - c. FY 2024/25 Budget Committee (*Johnson, Loudenslager*) – nothing to report
 - d. Chief's Evaluation Committee (*Loudenslager, Mendosa*) – nothing to report
3. Fire Chief's Monthly Report – Prior to reading his monthly report, Chief Emmons spoke about the success of the District's Open House. Chief Emmons corrected the title of August to September Notable Incidents. President Loudenslager asked a question.
4. Director Matters – Directors provided comments.

ADJOURNMENT

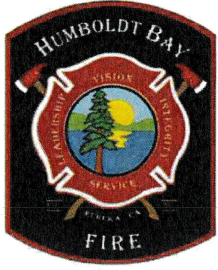
Following a motion by Director Mendosa and a second by Director Akana, President Loudenslager adjourned the meeting at 7:04pm.

The next Regular Meeting is scheduled for November 12, 2024, at the Arcata Downtown Station Classroom, 631 9th Street in Arcata at 5:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Katie Hill,
Clerk of the Board



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September 30th, 2024

Chief Emmons,

On behalf of Humboldt Bay Fire, I would like to thank you and your staff for providing an engine for coverage of the Humboldt Bay Fire response area on September 28th, 2024 during the memorial service for retired Humboldt Fire District #1 Captain William Reynolds Sr. Your assistance is greatly appreciated and your support allowed all on duty Humboldt Bay Fire companies to attend the memorial service and provide his family the support necessary at a difficult time.

Thank You,

Timothy E. Citro, Interim Fire Chief
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