

**SAN RAMON VALLEY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING
Minutes – September 24, 2009**

MISSION STATEMENT

In the spirit of our tradition, we strive for excellence, respectfully serving all with pride, honor and compassion.

Location: 1500 Bollinger Canyon Road
Administrative Building-Boardroom
San Ramon, CA 94583

Board Members Present: President Dickson (arrived at 8:10 p.m), Director Linari, Vice-President Lindsay, and Director Price.

Staff Present: Chief Price, Assistant Chief Collins, Assistant Chief Hart, Fire Marshal Jamison, Administrative Services Director Leete, Technology Systems Manager Call, District Counsel Ross, Battalion Chief Viera, Finance Supervisor Sasser, and District Clerk Brooks.

1. Call to Order

Vice-President Lindsay called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Vice-President Lindsay led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Determination of Quorum and Confirmation of Agenda

District Counsel Ross pulled agenda item 8.1, and tabled it for consideration at the November board meeting.

4. Consent Calendar

Director Price moved approval of the consent calendar items 4.1-4.7 (1). Director Linari seconded the motion. Motion carried.

5. Public Comment

None.

6. Special Announcements/Presentations/General Business

6.1 Proclamation in Recognition of Fire Prevention Week

Vice-President Lindsay read the Proclamation in Recognition of Fire Prevention Week October 4-10, 2009. Fire Marshal Jamison shared some of the activities that will take place during that week, and during the month of October.

7. **Old Business**

- 7.1 Open Public Hearing as set forth in the annual exterior hazard abatement notices mailed between August 12, 2009 and September 8, 2009 stipulating September 24, 2009 at 7:05 p.m. as the date, time and place as provided for the purpose of receiving public comment to show cause why exterior hazard abatement orders should not be enforced.

Vice-President Lindsay opened the Public Hearing. No one came forward. Vice-President Lindsay then closed the Public Hearing.

- 7.2 Consider adoption of Resolution of Confirmation No. 2009-08 which establishes with the Contra Costa County Recorders Office the assessment in property tax liens for properties abated by the District for the period after July 1, 2009.

Director Price moved approval of Resolution of Confirmation No. 2009-08. Director Linari seconded the motion. Motion was approved by a roll call vote.

- 7.3 Continuation of Public Hearing for the purpose of receiving reports and public comment on District Pension Benefits:
- A). Pension Benefits Ad Hoc Committee Report
 - B). Receive Public Comment on District Pension Benefits

Vice-President Lindsay stated that the Ad Hoc Committee met on September 9, 2009 and will be meeting again on September 30, 2009, with a full Committee report and recommendation being brought back to the Board at the October 19, 2009 Board meeting.

Ed Ott (Danville resident) spoke on retirement pensions stating that if employees are getting these large retirements from investment returns on their own personal contributions he doesn't mind that and does not think taxpayers would mind that either.

The Public Hearing was then closed with Chief Price reiterating that the Committee report would be available in the October 19, 2009 Board packet.

- 7.4 Status Report Regarding District Accreditation

Chief Price updated the Board stating that we would like to be a candidate agency by early next year. The final process would occur in March or April, 2010. Chief Price stated that he would update the Board monthly at the Board meetings regarding the progress of this project. Vice-President Lindsay asked if a press release would be going out. Chief Price stated that it is premature to send one out at this time. Chief Price stated that there are only five accredited agencies in California.

8. **New Business**

- 8.1. Consider Adoption of Resolution No. 2009-09 declaring intention to reimburse expenditures from the proceeds of bonds to be issued by the San Ramon Valley Fire Protection District.

This item was pulled and tabled to the November, 18, 2009 Board meeting.

9. Correspondence

Director Price referred to the letter in correspondence from Dan Haller (a new Station 32 resident) and that he had contacted her to discuss some of the concerns that he had put in his letter.

Vice-President Lindsay stated that she and Director Linari will be meeting with Ms. Wolske as requested and that when they provide a date, Vice-President and Director Linari would make themselves available.

10. Monthly Activity Reports

10.1 Operations - Assistant Chief Collins

Assistant Chief Collins provided the monthly Operations report briefly highlighting some of the recent incidents in the District this past month including two cardiac arrest incidents (a 42-year old and a 10-year old) that turned out with positive outcomes due to the stellar work of the crews.

10.2 Support Services - Assistant Chief Hart

Assistant Chief Hart provided the monthly Support Services report highlighting the Annex building being four weeks into construction, and that plans for new station 32 were submitted to the County last week.

10.3 Fire Prevention - Fire Marshal Jamison

Fire Marshal Jamison provided the monthly Fire Prevention report highlighting that District counter plan checks have been very successful, and also discussed the new organization chart for Fire Prevention.

10.4 Administrative Services - Administrative Services Director Leete

Administrative Services Director Leete provided the monthly Administrative Services report highlighting that the Finance Department is working on the Comprehensive Annual Finance Report (CAFR), the upcoming Engineers and Captains Exams, and that Juanita Philapil has concluded her assignment with the District.

10.5 Fire Chief - Chief Price

Chief Price informed the Board of several meetings he attended this past month including attending the San Ramon Mayor's Conference, and Leadership San Ramon Valley class. Chief Price stated that in the future, Training Division monthly reports would not take place at the board meetings or be included in the board packet, concluding that all monthly activity reports will be presented by the Executive Managers.

At this time in the meeting, Ed Ott (Danville resident) asked where he might find a report on overtime and department injuries. Chief Price mentioned that these reports

are a part of the Administrative Services Department monthly reports which are included in the board packets.

Chief Price stated that the meeting tonight would adjourn in memory of Danville Councilmember Mike Shimansky who had recently passed away, stating that a community memorial service would take place on October 3, 2009 at 3 p.m. at Oak Hill Park in Danville.

11. Good of the Order

Vice-President Lindsay stated that she returned from the annual CSDA conference today and got some valuable information regarding Special Districts and LAFCO, as well as information on GASB45, and stated what a worthwhile conference it was to attend.

12. Closed Session

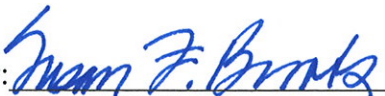
- 12.1 Conference with District Counsel – Potential Litigation
Possible exposure to litigation (two matters)
[Pursuant to Government Code §54956.9(b)(2) and 54954.5(c)]. Facts and circumstances that might result in litigation need not be disclosed. [Pursuant to Government Code § 54956.9(b) (3)(a)]
- 12.2 Conference with Real Property Negotiators
Negotiators: Assistant Chief Steve Hart/Chief Richard Price
Property Location: A). 6100 Camino Tassajara, Pleasanton, CA
[Authorized under Government Code §54956.8 and 54954.5(b).]
- 12.3 Status of labor negotiations between the District and the San Ramon Valley Firefighters Association under the provisions [Authorized under Government Code §54957.6 and 54954.5(f).]

13. Return to Open Session

Regular session ended:	8:00 p.m.
Closed session began:	8:17 p.m.
Closed session ended:	10:38 p.m.
Regular session reconvened:	10:40 p.m.

14. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 10:40 p.m. to the next regular board meeting of **Monday, October 19, 2009 at 7:00 p.m.**

Prepared by: 
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District Clerk

Approved by: 
Roxanne Lindsay
Board Vice-President