

1 **February 26, 2019**

2 **REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF**  
3 **THE NORTH COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT**

4 President Luevano called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m.

5 **THE INVOCATION GIVEN BY CHIEF ABBOTT.**

6 **ALL RECITED THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.**

7 **ROLL CALL:**

8 **Present:** Directors Harris, Hoffman, Luevano, Munson and Van Doorn.

9 **Absent:** None.

10 **Staff Present:** Fire Chief/CEO Abbott, Attorney James and Board Secretary Stephen-  
11 Porter. In the audience were: DFC Marovich, D/C Mahr, B/Cs Krumwiede, McReynolds and  
12 Schoenheit and members of the public and Association.

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14 **PUBLIC ACTIVITIES AGENDA**

15 1. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** President Luevano addressed the audience and inquired whether  
16 there were any public comments regarding items not on the Agenda. Public member Joe  
17 Beyer complimented the Board agenda presentation and the activities of the District in weed  
18 abatement, specifically the Chipping Day activities. He opined the Staff on site were  
19 competent and answered questions well. There being no further comments, the Public  
20 Comment Section was closed.

21 2. **EMPLOYEE BADGE PINNING — CHIEF ABBOTT:** Chief Abbott presented for swearing in  
22 the following volunteers: Freddy Avila, Ian Bertotti, Daniel Carrillo, Trent Chavez Matzel,  
23 Trevor Clarke, Connor Cox, Sean Devine, Michael Echeverria, Henry Nguyen, Emily  
24 Nichols, Gabriel Preisach, Jose Sergio Orozco and Cameron Warren. They were given an  
25 opportunity to introduce family and friends available for the event. Chief Abbott noted this  
26 was the First Volunteer Academy given with the SAFER Grant support. At the conclusion  
27 of the introductions, the members were pinned and congratulated by the Board.

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## ACTION AGENDA

### CONSENT ITEMS:

3. REVIEW AND ACCEPT REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES FOR JANUARY 2019
4. REVIEW AND ACCEPT SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES FOR FEBRUARY 12, 2019
5. REVIEW AND ACCEPT SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES FOR FEBRUARY 19, 2019
6. REVIEW AND ACCEPT FINANCIAL REPORT FOR JANUARY 2019
7. REVIEW AND ACCEPT POLICIES & PROCEDURES

President Luevano inquired whether there were any questions on Consent Items 3-7. There being no discussion, President Luevano asked for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. On a motion by Vice President Harris, seconded by Director Hoffman, the motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented passed unanimously.

### ACTION ITEMS:

8. REVIEW AND CONSIDER NOMINATIONS FOR CSDA BOARD OF DIRECTORS — CHIEF ABBOTT:

Chief Abbott noted that CSDA is currently soliciting nominations for the CSDA Board of Directors. The nominated party may be either a Board Member or General Manager and must be affiliated with an independent special district that is a regular CSDA member located within the geographic area they seek to represent. The Board members must complete certain attendance and educational requirements, which are not funded by CSDA. There being no interest by the members present to serve, no further action is required.

9. REVIEW AND CONSIDER NOMINATIONS FOR SDRMA BOARD OF DIRECTORS — CHIEF

ABBOTT: Chief Abbott presented an opportunity for the Board Members to nominate a member to serve on the SDRMA Board of Directors, if there was an interest to do so. If no one is interested in serving, the District need not take further action. After brief discussion, no interest in serving was identified. No further action required.

10. REVIEW AND APPROVE SURPLUS PROPERTY REQUEST – A/C MANN AND CHIEF ABBOTT:

Captain Mann presented the request to the Board to declare the lockers that resided where the Chemical Detoxification Unit (CDU) is now being housed. He noted the space was considered underutilized as a locker room as station personnel have ample room in their

59 dorm to store their physical training clothing and other facilities within the District are  
60 inadequate to house the lockers. The lockers will be sold at auction per the Disposal of  
61 Surplus Property Policy. After brief discussion, on a motion by Vice President Harris,  
62 seconded by Director Munson, the motion to declare the property surplus and to dispose of  
63 it per the Surplus Property Policy passed unanimously.

64 11. **REVIEW AND APPROVE CONTRACT FOR MICROWAVE RADIO SYSTEM UPGRADES – DEPUTY**  
65 **CHIEF MAROVICH AND CHIEF ABBOTT:** Deputy Chief Marovich presented the request for  
66 approval of the sole source contract with Sun Wireless to the Board, noting the District is  
67 utilizing Neighborhood Reinvestment Grant Funds and State Homeland Security Grant  
68 Program (SHSGP) to fund the project. Due to the funding periods of the grants, the District  
69 will be splitting the project into two phases. Each phase will commence once the funding is  
70 received from each grantor. This contract reflects the first phase of the project. Due to the  
71 intricacy of the current system, the District will be contracting with original installing company  
72 as a sole source contract, as is allowed per the Purchasing and Contracting Policy, Sole  
73 Source, Section D. On a motion by Director Munson, seconded by Director Hoffman, the  
74 motion to approve the contract as presented and to authorize Chief Abbott to execute the  
75 contract passed unanimously.

## 77 **ACTION/DISCUSSION AGENDA**

78 12. **PUBLIC HEARING DATE/TIME CERTAIN FEBRUARY 26, 2019 AT 5:30 P.M. — HEARING ON**  
79 **FORMATION OF ELECTION DISTRICTS – CHIEF ABBOTT:** At 5:30 p.m., President Luevano  
80 opened the public hearing reading the topic to be discussed. Attorney James reviewed  
81 hearing procedures with the Board and public, noting the President has the discretion to  
82 modify the procedures. Chief Abbott noted the same public was present for the hearing and  
83 inquired if they wished him to review the slide presentation from the last meeting. They  
84 declined. Chief Abbott discussed the methods of calculating the percentage of populations  
85 in each group and inquired if there was a preference. He inquired if there was an objection  
86 to using the ACLU method, noting he needed direction to move forward. Audience members  
87 Leticia Maldonado Stamos and Joe Beyer both indicated they would need more information

88 to be able to support using this method as they were unfamiliar with it. Chief Abbott offered  
89 to send the information that he was referring to, along with the references for the maps he  
90 was presenting. Chief Abbott, along with Engineer/PM Glasgow presented several maps  
91 with census and proposed election districts. Discussion ensued regarding how the maps  
92 were created and the differences between the maps and districts. Ms. Maldonado Stamos  
93 indicated these maps were different than the ones she had seen at other districts. Chief  
94 Abbott offered to send the website information so the maps could be studied more in-depth.  
95 The audience and Board requested a more detailed map and expressed concerns that the  
96 one district may be too large. At the conclusion of the discussions, the public hearing was  
97 closed. There was some concern the March 19<sup>th</sup> review would be too soon. On a motion  
98 by Vice President Harris, which was seconded by Director Hoffman, the Board unanimously  
99 approved modifying the schedule of the first hearing for maps to March 26<sup>th</sup> and the final  
100 hearing to April 16<sup>th</sup>.

101 **STANDING DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

102 ● **LEGAL COUNSEL REPORT:** Counsel James presented his report “*Code*  
103 *Enforcement Changes in California.*” Brief discussion ensued about the implications of the  
104 changes. This is informational only, no action required.

105 ● **WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS:** No written correspondence, except for recognition  
106 items. Informational only, no action required.

107 ● **NEWS ARTICLES:** Brief discussion ensued regarding articles. Discussion ensued  
108 regarding how several articles were germane to the District. This is informational only, no  
109 action required.

110 ● **COMMENTS:**

111 ● **STAFF REPORTS/UPDATES:**

112 ● **STEPHEN ABBOTT, FIRE CHIEF/CEO:** Chief Abbott informed the Board of discussions  
113 with the Fallbrook Regional Healthcare District and opportunities that may allow the Districts  
114 to collaborate. He stated that informal discussions with LAFCO demonstrate it would be  
115 very supportive of such action. Chief Abbott updated the Board on progress with a third-  
116 party providing election support and discussions with San Diego County Registrar Michael

117 Vu. Chief Abbott also updated the Board on the ACA-1 measure and the possibility that  
118 special districts could be added to the measure, which would significantly reduce the voting  
119 threshold. Chief Abbott is working with the individuals who can modify the language to  
120 include special districts. CSDA is supporting the modification and is actively seeking it.  
121 Chief Abbott discussed moving forward with the revenue measure. After brief discussion,  
122 he noted he will agendaize it for a subsequent meeting to make a decision or plan of action.  
123 Chief Abbott invited Board members to attend several education events and requested the  
124 members contact him by the end of the week if they interested in attending. Informational  
125 only, no further action required.

126 ● **CHIEF OFFICERS AND OTHER STAFF: DEPUTY CHIEF MAROVICH:** Deputy Chief Marovich  
127 updated the Board on the District hiring and promotional status. He noted Ms. Goss would  
128 be returning part time on March 11<sup>th</sup>. IT has been particularly busy with a new phone system,  
129 new server and fire wall. The newly approved system allows the District to be proactive on  
130 the IT front. **D/C MAHR:** D/C Mahr thanked the Board for supporting the District Staff in  
131 educational development, noting that he and Dustin Glasgow had just attended a two-day  
132 ERSI Cal Chiefs technology seminar, allowing them to assist with the preparation of the  
133 District mapping project and the Re-districting Maps. The District had the initial meeting with  
134 ISO. He is hoping the District will maintain the 3-3x rating it has previously attained.  
135 Discussion ensued regarding how the scores are calculated and whether the Lilac Fire will  
136 impact the scoring. D/C Mahr updated the Board on the weight issues with the new Type  
137 III. The new Type I planning process has been going well and he expects it to proceed  
138 without difficulty. D/C Mahr discussed the new SB 523, which will improve funding for Medi-  
139 Cal transports by allowing for a quality assurance fee. In addition, a new model for treatment  
140 with non-transport, alternate destination funding is approved with an additional fee for every  
141 transport. D/C Mahr is continuing talks with Fallbrook Regional Healthcare District, sharing  
142 ideas on how best to utilize resources, employees and foster each other's Missions. They  
143 will soon have their second meeting.

144 ● **B/C McREYNOLDS:** B/C McReynolds updated the Board on the Training Program,  
145 noting the Chemical Decontamination Units were put into service, with the MSO and a

146 Captain from Carlsbad coming in to train staff on to appropriately use them. Station 1 and  
147 Camp Pendleton continue to develop their relationship, including live fire training and a joint  
148 ventilation prop. He requested that a letter from either the Board or Chief be forward to  
149 express appreciation for the relationship. Chief Abbott to handle. B/C McReynolds informed  
150 the Board of the various Officer Academies and the upcoming recruitments in the Zone. An  
151 inquiry was made by the Board regarding the "Every 15 Minutes" Program, with it being  
152 noted the Program is run by the High School.

153 ● **BOARD: VICE PRESIDENT HARRIS:** Vice President Harris inquired about the status of  
154 the transition to CrewSense, with D/C Mahr providing an update.

155 ● **BARGAINING GROUPS: A/P MANN:** A/P Mann updated the Board on the progress of  
156 Aaron Murg, noting he is continuing to improve with tumor shrinkage and in good spirits. He  
157 again thanked the Chief for working with the Association to effect a round of donations. He  
158 noted Association educational activities in April going to a conference to learning about  
159 legislation and lobbying. A/P Mann reminded everyone of the Boot Drive on March 6<sup>th</sup>.

160 ● **PUBLIC COMMENT:** No comments.

## 162 **CLOSED SESSION**

163 There were no Closed Session Items for the February 26, 2019, meeting.

## 165 **ADJOURNMENT**

166 A motion was made at 7:10 p.m. by Director Van Doorn and seconded by Director Hoffman  
167 to adjourn the meeting and reconvene on March 26, 2019, at 4:00 p.m. The motion carried  
168 unanimously.

169 Respectfully submitted,

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172 Loren Stephen-Porter

173 Board Secretary

174 Minutes approved at the Board of Director's Meeting on: March 26, 2019

