REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
THE NORTH COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

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

THE INVOCATION GIVEN BY CHIEF ABBOTT.
ALL RECITED THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

ROLL CALL:
Present: Directors Harris, Hoffman, Luevano, Munson and Van Doorn.
Absent: None.

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

PUBLIC ACTIVITIES AGENDA

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

2. **EMPLOYEE BADGE PINNING — CHIEF ABBOTT:** Chief Abbott presented for swearing in the following volunteers: Freddy Avila, Ian Bertotti, Daniel Carrillo, Trent Chavez Matzel, Trevor Clarke, Connor Cox, Sean Devine, Michael Echeverria, Henry Nguyen, Emily Nichols, Gabriel Preisach, Jose Sergio Orozco and Cameron Warren. They were given an opportunity to introduce family and friends available for the event. Chief Abbott noted this was the First Volunteer Academy given with the SAFER Grant support. At the conclusion 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
dorm to store their physical training clothing and other facilities within the District are inadequate to house the lockers. The lockers will be sold at auction per the Disposal of Surplus Property Policy. After brief discussion, on a motion by Vice President Harris, seconded by Director Munson, the motion to declare the property surplus and to dispose of it per the Surplus Property Policy passed unanimously.

11. **Review and Approve Contract for Microwave Radio System Upgrades — Deputy Chief Marovich and Chief Abbott:** Deputy Chief Marovich presented the request for approval of the sole source contract with Sun Wireless to the Board, noting the District is utilizing Neighborhood Reinvestment Grant Funds and State Homeland Security Grant Program (SHSGP) to fund the project. Due to the funding periods of the grants, the District will be splitting the project into two phases. Each phase will commence once the funding is received from each grantor. This contract reflects the first phase of the project. Due to the intricacy of the current system, the District will be contracting with original installing company as a sole source contract, as is allowed per the Purchasing and Contracting Policy, Sole Source, Section D. On a motion by Director Munson, seconded by Director Hoffman, the motion to approve the contract as presented and to authorize Chief Abbott to execute the contract passed unanimously.

**ACTION/DISCUSSION AGENDA**

12. **Public Hearing Date/Time Certain February 26, 2019 at 5:30 p.m. — Hearing on Formation of Election Districts — Chief Abbott:** At 5:30 p.m., President Luevano opened the public hearing reading the topic to be discussed. Attorney James reviewed hearing procedures with the Board and public, noting the President has the discretion to modify the procedures. Chief Abbott noted the same public was present for the hearing and inquired if they wished him to review the slide presentation from the last meeting. They declined. Chief Abbott discussed the methods of calculating the percentage of populations in each group and inquired if there was a preference. He inquired if there was an objection to using the ACLU method, noting he needed direction to move forward. Audience members Leticia Maldonado Stamos and Joe Beyer both indicated they would need more information.
to be able to support using this method as they were unfamiliar with it. Chief Abbott offered
to send the information that he was referring to, along with the references for the maps he
was presenting. Chief Abbott, along with Engineer/PM Glasgow presented several maps
with census and proposed election districts. Discussion ensued regarding how the maps
were created and the differences between the maps and districts. Ms. Maldonado Stamos
indicated these maps were different than the ones she had seen at other districts. Chief
Abbott offered to send the website information so the maps could be studied more in-depth.
The audience and Board requested a more detailed map and expressed concerns that the
one district may be too large. At the conclusion of the discussions, the public hearing was
closed. There was some concern the March 19th review would be too soon. On a motion
by Vice President Harris, which was seconded by Director Hoffman, the Board unanimously
approved modifying the schedule of the first hearing for maps to March 26th and the final
hearing to April 16th.

**STANDING DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

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

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

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

- **COMMENTS:**

- **STAFF REPORTS/UPDATES:**

- **STEPHEN ABBOTT, FIRE CHIEF/CEO:** Chief Abbott informed the Board of discussions
  with the Fallbrook Regional Healthcare District and opportunities that may allow the Districts
to collaborate. He stated that informal discussions with LAFCO demonstrate it would be
very supportive of such action. Chief Abbott updated the Board on progress with a third-
party providing election support and discussions with San Diego County Registrar Michael
Chief Abbott also updated the Board on the ACA-1 measure and the possibility that special districts could be added to the measure, which would significantly reduce the voting threshold. Chief Abbott is working with the individuals who can modify the language to include special districts. CSDA is supporting the modification and is actively seeking it. Chief Abbott discussed moving forward with the revenue measure. After brief discussion, he noted he will agendize it for a subsequent meeting to make a decision or plan of action. Chief Abbott invited Board members to attend several education events and requested the members contact him by the end of the week if they interested in attending. Informational only, no further action required.

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

**B/C McReynolds:** B/C McReynolds updated the Board on the Training Program, noting the Chemical Decontamination Units were put into service, with the MSO and a
Captain from Carlsbad coming in to train staff on to appropriately use them. Station 1 and Camp Pendleton continue to develop their relationship, including live fire training and a joint ventilation prop. He requested that a letter from either the Board or Chief be forward to express appreciation for the relationship. Chief Abbott to handle. B/C McReynolds informed the Board of the various Officer Academies and the upcoming recruitments in the Zone. An inquiry was made by the Board regarding the “Every 15 Minutes” Program, with it being noted the Program is run by the High School.

- **Board: Vice President Harris:** Vice President Harris inquired about the status of the transition to CrewSense, with D/C Mahr providing an update.
- **Bargaining Groups: A/P Mann:** A/P Mann updated the Board on the progress of Aaron Murg, noting he is continuing to improve with tumor shrinkage and in good spirits. He again thanked the Chief for working with the Association to effect a round of donations. He noted Association educational activities in April going to a conference to learning about legislation and lobbying. A/P Mann reminded everyone of the Boot Drive on March 6th.
- **Public Comment:** No comments.

**Closed Session**

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

**Adjournment**

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

Respectfully submitted,

Loren Stephen-Porter

Board Secretary

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