NORTH CENTRAL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR BOARD MEETING THURSDAY, JULY 23, 2020 5:30 P.M. <u>MINUTES</u>

Per Executive Order N-25-20, which allows local and state legislative bodies to hold meetings via teleconference and to make meetings accessible electronically," this Regular Meeting will be held via conference call and can be accessed as follows:

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1. CALL TO ORDER

District Board Chair Mr. Ken Abrahamian called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m.

Roll Call

Board Members Present: Mrs. Cheryl Belluomini, Mr. Rusty Nonini, Ms. Amanda Souza and Mr. Ken Abrahamian. Mr. Michael Foglio joined the meeting at 5:45 p.m. during item number six.

Also present were Fire Chief Tim Henry, Mr. Ken Price and Mr. Joe Barcelos.

2. INVOCATION

The invocation was led by Pastor Javier Garza.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments

4. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Consideration and Approval of Disbursements List for June 2020
- **B.** Review and Acceptance of Monthly Financial Reports
 - 1) Budget Variance Report: YTD Expenses Compared to Budget
 - 2) PG&E Report

Mr. Abrahamian asked the District Board and members of the public if there were any items on the Consent Agenda they would like to pull from the agenda for discussion or questions. There were no items pulled so Mr. Abrahamian called for a motion.

Motion: To approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Moved by: Mrs. Belluomini, second by Ms. Souza

Mr. Abrahamian: Mrs. Belluomini: Mr. Foglio: Mr. Nonini: Ms. Souza: Vote: Aye Absent Aye Aye 4/0

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A) Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of June 25, 2020.

There were no questions or comments.

Motion: To approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of June 25, 2020 as presented.

Moved by: Mrs. Belluomini, second by Mr. Nonini.

Mr. Abrahamian:	Mrs. Belluomini:	Mr. Foglio:	Mr. Nonini:	Ms. Souza:	Vote:
Aye	Aye	Absent	Aye	Aye	4/0

6. FIRE CHIEF REPORT

A) Fire Incident/Fire Prevention Reports for June

Chief Henry called the District Board's attention to the June incident summary report. He reported the District responded to 314 calls and that a three-year comparison of calls for the month of June has been added to the report. He pointed out the number of calls in June of 2020 is considerably lower than the number of calls in June of 2018. Chief Henry asked the District Board if they had any questions.

B) Community Development Block Grant Application

Chief Henry informed the District Board that the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program application period has started. He stated next month the process to approve the District's participation in the grant program will come back to the Board for your approval.

C) Station 55 Parking Renovation Project

Chief Henry updated the District Board on the parking renovation project. He reported the block wall, parking lot and portable classroom are completed. He stated we actually started our fire academy in the classroom last week and pointed out the photos in the board packets of the completed project.

D) Firefighter Academy

Chief Henry called the District Board's attention to the memo in their packet listing all six of the new firefighters as well as their photos attached to the memo page. He stated all six are graduates of Fresno City College Academy and all six of them have been interns with the District.

7. ADJOURNMENT INTO CLOSED SESSION

 A) "Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation – Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to (2) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9: No. of cases 1"

Report from Closed Session: No action to report

8. CONSIDERATION OF INSURANCE CLAIM AGAINST DISTRICT

A) Action item - Consideration of Claim and Authorization to refer matter to District's Insurance Carrier, Fire Agencies Insurance Risk Authority (FAIRA), Claimant Amy J. Winter, Fresno California.

Mr. Abrahamian asked the District Board and members of the public if they had any questions or comments. There were no questions or comments so Mr. Abrahamian called for a motion. **Motion:** To reject the subject claim and refer it to the District's insurance company (FAIRA) for further action.

Moved by: Mr. Abrahamian, second by Mrs. Belluomini.

Mr. Abrahamian: Mrs. Belluomini: Mr. Foglio: Mr. Nonini: Ms. Souza: Vote: Aye Aye Aye Aye 5/0

9. PUBLIC HEARING FOR WEED ABATEMENT AND LIST OF ABATEMENT NOTICES

A) Action item – Conduct Public Hearing

Mr. Abrahamian opened the floor for the Public Protest Hearing for public comments on the 2020 weed abatement season at 6:20 p.m.

There were no comments

Mr. Abrahamian closed the floor for the Public Protest Hearing for public comments on the 2020 weed abatement season at 6:22 p.m.

B) Review the List of Notices - Information only.

There were no questions or comments regarding this month's list of notices.

10. RESOLUTION NO. 20-07 - WEED ABATEMENT TAX ROLL ASSESSMENT

A) Action item – Consider and adopt Resolution No. 20-07 to place weed abatement charges on the tax roll for the 2020-2021 fiscal year.

Chief Henry called the District Board's attention to the photographs included in the board packet of the before and after photos of the abated properties. He gave the District Board a few minutes to look through the photos. Chief Henry reported seventy-one (71) properties were assigned to the District's abatement contractor. By the time our contractor arrived to most of the lots, the lots had been abated by the property owner or he could not access some of the properties and twenty-seven (27) properties were abated.

Mr. Barcelos described the process to place the abatement charges on the County tax rolls which starts with adopting Resolution No. 20-07 and recording the resolution with the County Recorder's office.

After Chief Henry and Mr. Barcelos answered a few questions, Mr. Abrahamian called for a motion.

Motion: To adopt Resolution No. 20-07 to add weed abatement charges to the 2020-21 Fresno County Tax Roll.

Moved by: Mr. Abrahamian, second by Mr. Foglio.

Mr. Abrahamian: Mrs. Belluomini: Mr. Foglio: Mr. Nonini: Ms. Souza: Vote: Aye Aye Aye Aye 5/0

11. AUDIT SERVICE PROPOSALS

A) Action item – Consider and approve one of the proposals submitted to provide audit services for the District.

Mr. Barcelos reported the District received three proposals from local audit firms. He called the District Board's attention to the list of proposals and mentioned a copy of all the proposals are in the board packets.

Mr. Barcelos answered a few questions about the audit firms and the requirement that restricts District's from having the same auditor for more than six years. After some discussion it was the consensus of the District Board to select Sampson, Sampson and Patterson to provide audit services for the District.

Motion: To select the proposal submitted by Sampson, Sampson and Patterson to provide audit services for the District.

Moved by: Mr. Abrahamian, second by Mr. Nonini.

Mr. Abrahamian: Mrs. Belluomini: Mr. Foglio: Mr. Nonini: Ms. Souza: Vote: Aye Aye Aye Aye 5/0

12. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS/REPORTS

13. ANNOUNCEMENTS

A) Next Regular Board Meeting: Thursday, August 27, 2020 at 5:30 p.m.

14. ADJOURNMENT

Motion: To adjourn the meeting at 6:37 p.m.

Moved by: Mr. Abrahamian, second by Mr. Nonini.

Mr. Abrahamian: Mrs. Belluomini: Mr. Foglio: Mr. Nonini: Ms. Souza: Vote: Aye Aye Aye Aye 5/0

Amanda Souza, Board Secretary North Central Fire Protection District Date