

MINUTES

FIVE CITIES FIRE AUTHORITY BOARD MEETING FRIDAY, JUNE 17, 2022

CALL TO ORDER:

Chair Lee called the in-person Five Cities Fire Authority (FCFA) Board meeting to order at 09:00 a.m.

FLAG SALUTE:

Acting Fire Chief, Brian Salce, led the Flag Salute.

ROLL CALL:

FCFA Board: Chair Jeff Lee, Vice Chair Karen White and Board Member Keith Storton.

FCFA Staff Present: Acting Fire Chief Brian Salce, General Counsel Molly Thurmond and Clerk to the Board Tricia Meyers.

AGENDA REVIEW:

Action: Board Member Storton moved, Vice Chair White seconded, and the motion passed unanimously to approve the Five Cities Fire Authority's Agenda by a voice vote.

AYES: Storton, White, Lee
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

COMMUNITY COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS:

None.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Action: Board Member Storton moved, and Vice Chair White seconded the motion to approve the Consent Agenda. No public comment was received. The motion passed on the following roll call vote:

AYES: Storton, White, Lee
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

1. Consideration of Approval of Minutes.

Action: Approved minutes of the Board Meeting of May 20, 2022.

2. Consideration of Cash Disbursement Activity.

Action: Received and filed the listing of cash disbursements for the period of May 1, 2022 through May 31, 2022.

CONTINUED BUSINESS:

None.

PROTEST HEARINGS:

a. Protest Hearing: 2022 Weed Abatement Protest Hearing and Issuance of Abatement Order.

Clerk to the Board Tricia Meyers presented the properties on the list for the weed abatement protest hearing. There are fifty-five properties out of compliance at this time. The owner of 1311 20th Street in Oceano spoke during public comment and reported that his weeds have been abated. Five Cities Fire Authority staff will remove the address from the list after they confirm the weeds are cleared.

Action: Board Member Storton moved, Vice Chair White seconded the motion, to close the public hearing and issue an abatement order to direct the Acting Fire Chief to have the weeds removed on the properties reported on the list. The motion passed on the following roll call vote:

AYES: Storton, White, Lee
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

NEW BUSINESS:

None.

BOARD MEMBER ITEMS:

None.

FIRE CHIEF ITEMS:

- a. Acting Fire Chief Salce reported that call volume continues to increase and has recently included brush fires. This is a concern due to the dry conditions.

GENERAL COUNSEL ITEMS:

None.

BOARD COMMUNICATIONS:

Vice Chair White reported that Measure A-22 did not pass in Oceano. Chair Lee proposed a Special Meeting for June 30, 2022 for a closed session to discuss negotiation matters. Board Member Storton announced that the City Council of Arroyo Grande has approved an Employee Retention Incentive Program, which will provide incentive pay to existing employees in FY 2022-23. The city has also proposed to include Five Cities Fire Authority employees in this program.

CLOSED SESSION:

None.

ADJOURNMENT:

Chair Lee adjourned the meeting at 9:21 a.m.

/s/ Jeff Lee, Chair

ATTEST:

/s/ Tricia Meyers, Clerk to the Board

(Approved at Board Meeting on 07/15/2022)