



# COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ

## FIRE DEPARTMENT ADVISORY COMMISSION

### APPROVED MINUTES

Regular Meeting: Wednesday, September 19, 2018  
CAL FIRE-CZU HQ TRAINING ROOM  
6059 HIGHWAY 9, FELTON, CA 95018  
4:00 PM - 6:00 PM

#### I. ROLL/CALL TO ORDER/INTRODUCTIONS:

Meeting called to order at 4:07 pm

##### **Present:**

Volunteer Firefighters Representative/Chair:	Doug Aumack
Second District Representative:	Carey Pico
Third District Representative:	Janet Webb
Fourth District Representative:	John Walker
Office of Emergency Services Manager:	Rosemary Anderson

##### **Absent:** None

First District Representative:	Alex Leman
Fifth District Representative/Co-Chair:	Arnie Wernick

#### II. ADDITIONS/CHANGES TO AGENDA:

A. Propose change November meeting to Wednesday, November 14, 2018

#### III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – JULY 25, 2018:

**Motion:** Webb to approve draft minutes.

**Motion Seconded:** Anderson

**In Favor:** Anderson, Aumack, Pico, Walker, Webb

**Opposed:** None

**Abstained:** None

**Absent:** Leman, Wernick

#### IV. PUBLIC INPUT/ORAL COMMUNICATION: (Items not on agenda, 3 minutes/person)

A. B. Steinbruner stated that the County recently changed code for commissions and expressed concern over possible FDAC changes.

#### V. CORRESPONDENCE:

A. B. Steinbruner email regarding the impacts of Measure G to County Fire.

#### VI. BUSINESS MATTERS:

A. Discussion of Measure G

- i. Chairman will draft a letter with a subcommittee of Pico and Web to post to the website and submit to the Board of Supervisors regarding concern over:
  - a. The term “fire” mentioned in the measure without clarification of who will receive these funds and in what amount.
  - b. Past practice of Prop 172 fund distribution.
  - c. How will this affect the potential County Fire ballot measure in spring of 2019.

- d. Lack of communication from the Board of Supervisors.
- B. Discussion of potential County Fire ballot measure
- C. Updates from Commissioners
  - i. Recruitment Subcommittee (Aumack)
    - a. 3-5 new recruits for Company 29.
    - b. 1-2 new recruits for Company 36.
    - c. 3-5 new recruits for Company 32.
    - d. Upcoming CSFA Recruitment and Retention events.
    - e. Recruitment tools needed, e.g. cards, handouts, bumper stickers, etc...
  - ii. Volunteer Company Officers' Representative (Aumack):
    - a. No report.

**D. Santa Cruz County Fire Chief's Report (Hess)**

- i. CAL FIRE and CRZ personnel participated in a Task Force assigned to the recent fire siege in Mendocino County and did well. All county costs were reimbursed.
- ii. New protocol will ensure a CAL FIRE Chief Officer will always accompany CRZ Type III engines when assigned out of county in the future.
- iii. CAL FIRE peak staffing of 12 engines is currently approved through 12/31/18.
- iv. The County of Santa Cruz has issued a mandatory flu vaccine.
- v. Outfitting of the new Type III engines is being completed at Corralitos Station.
- vi. Recent Active Shooter call has accelerated the need for training.
- vii. Central FPD/Aptos/La Selva FPD merger is progressing.
- viii. Red flag warning and additional staffing pattern has been established 9/19/18-9/20/18.
- ix.

**E. Announcements**

- i. Anderson - 11/1/18 Emergency Management Council Meeting 2-4 pm. Conducted a tour of PG&E operations that were recently established in Santa Cruz for CPUC mandated tree trimming and removal. Communication with the community has been lacking. PG&E is conducting a public meeting on 10/1/18. Another meeting is anticipated for the rural areas to do some damage control.
- ii. Walker - Fire Prevention week in Watsonville is the first week of October.

**VII. ADJOURNMENT AT 5:46 PM**

**Motion:** Walker

**Motion Seconded:** Pico

**In Favor:** Anderson, Aumack, Pico, Walker, Webb

**Opposed:** None

**Abstained:** None

**Absent:** Lemman, Wernick

Next regular meeting – November 14, 2018 at 4:00 pm, located at CAL FIRE CZU HQ Conference Room, 6059 Highway 9, Felton, CA 95018

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