

**NORTH CENTRAL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
THURSDAY, MARCH 23, 2017
5:30 P.M.
MINUTES**

1. CALL TO ORDER

District Board Chair Mr. Ken Abrahamian called the meeting to order at 5:37 p.m.

Roll Call

Board Members Present: Mrs. Cheryl Belluomini, Mr. Keith Koligian, Mr. Rusty Nonini, Mr. Ken Abrahamian and Mr. Rusty Souza.

Also present were Fire Chief Kerri Donis, Mr. Ken Price, and Mr. Joe Barcelos.

2. INVOCATION AND FLAG SALUTE

The invocation was led by Mr. Barcelos and the flag salute was led by Chief Donis.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments

4. CONSENT TO AGENDA

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Minutes of Regular Board Meeting of February 23, 2017, and Minutes of Special Meeting on March 14, 2017.

Motion: To approve the minutes of February 23, 2017, and minutes of Special Meeting of March 14, 2017, as submitted.

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

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

6. PRESENTATIONS – CORRESPONDENCE – REPORT/FIRE CHIEF

A. Fire Chief General Update

1) February Incident Report – Information only

Chief Donis called the District Board's attention to the February incident report. Chief Donis passed out a report indicating last year's total calls showing all the apparatus that responded to these calls.

Mr. Nonini asked if calls canceled in route are included in this report. Chief Donis did not know if the cancelled calls are included but said she would find out and report back to the District Board.

2) General Updates – Information only

Chief Donis mentioned the Fire Department has a live fire training going on right now to implement a new garage fire policy. This an outcome of the SART report. The firefighters are now training to learn the new policy on the best way to fight garage fires.

Chief Donis mentioned she wanted to speak openly as the District's Fire Chief and as a representative of the members of the Fire Department regarding the action taken by the Fresno City Council. The Chief expressed her hope that the Fire Department and District can find a path forward together and continue to provide the improved service North Central has realized in the past several years. Chief Donis made a request of the District Board to have a special meeting where the members of the Fire Department can talk to each one of the Board members in a group setting and walk through all of the numbers and how we got to this point.

To close, Chief Donis just wanted to make sure the District Board was aware of the resolution passed by City Council earlier in the day.

7. BUSINESS MANAGER REPORT

A. Statement of Economic Interest From 700

Mr. Barcelos reminded the District Board their Form 700s are due on Monday, April 3rd.

B. Private Placement Loan Refinancing

Mr. Barcelos explained Brandis Tallman will go out to bid to choose an open market security to invest the proceeds of the refinancing until the 2010 loan can be called in August of 2018. The proceeds will be held in an escrow account till the 2010 loan can be paid off and as the issuing agent, the District is required to choose one of the bids.

Brandis Tallman explained Bond Counsel, Jeff Land from Brandis Tallman and either District staff or one of the Board members will participate in a conference call on April 10th when the bids will be open and one will be selected.

Mr. Price and the District Board authorized Mr. Barcelos to represent the District during the conference call and selection of the lowest bid.

C. Weed Abatement Contractor

Mr. Barcelos reported the District's Abatement Contractor is willing to provide abatement services at the same rate and term of last year and called the District Board's attention to the rates listed in their packets.

It was the consensus of the District Board to keep the current abatement Contractor for the upcoming abatement season. Mr. Barcelos mentioned he would bring a contract for the District Board to approve at next month's meeting.

D. District Audit

Mr. Barcelos reported the District's Auditor Max Sanborn with Sanborn and Sanborn have provided audit services for the District for the past six years. He asked the District Board if they wanted to go out to bid for audit services.

The District Board asked Mr. Price if there is a requirement as to how many years the District can use the same auditor. Mr. Price replied he believes there is a recommendation from GASB and will look up the standards and report back to Mr. Barcelos and the District Board.

8. RESOLUTION NO. 17-03 – WEED ABATEMENT

A. Action item – Consideration and adoption of Resolution No. 17-03 establishing the existence of a public nuisance within the District.

Mr. Barcelos reported to the District Board Resolution No. 17-03 is the annual resolution adopted by the Board at the beginning of each weed abatement season.

There were some questions about the exhibit to the resolution and how the list is compiled. Mr. Barcelos explained how the list is compiled and reminded the District Board of the annual courtesy reminder the District sends by postcard each year. Mr. Barcelos answered a question about the process of mailing out the ten-day notices to property owners in violation of the District abatement policy.

There were no questions or discussion so Mr. Abrahamian called for a motion.

Motion: To adopt Resolution No. 17-03 to establish the existence of a public nuisance within the North Central Fire District and to set the public hearing dates to be the same dates of the Regular Board meetings held in May, June and July of 2017.

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

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

9. OLD BUSINESS

A. Consideration and Approval of Disbursements List for February 2017.

Mrs. Belluomini asked about check #2376 written to Pape-Kenworth. Mr. Barcelos replied this was for parts for water tender 21.

Mrs. Belluomini had another question about check #2399 written to Viatron. Mr. Barcelos explained this was to scan old building and sprinkler plans turned into the Fire Department for review that were being stored in boxes. The records have to be kept for a long period of time but are taking up a lot of space. Viatron is a company that is able to scan large documents like building plans.

Motion: To approve the February 2017, disbursements from the West America general account in the amount of \$54,254.63.

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

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

B. Review and Acceptance of Monthly Financial Reports

- 1) Fresno County: Cash Balances – All Funds – No Comments
- 2) Budget Report: YTD Expenses Compared to Budget – No Comments
- 3) Revenue and Reimbursement Report – No Comments
- 4) P G & E Report – No Comments

10. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

There were no comments

11. ANNOUNCEMENTS

A) Next Regular Board Meeting: Thursday, April 27, 2017 at 5:30 p.m.

12. CLOSED SESSION

A) CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION (Gov. Code §94956.9(d)(4).) Number of Cases: 1 *North Central Fire District v. City of Fresno.*

Closed Session Report: In closed session the District Board voted unanimously to commence with a lawsuit against the City of Fresno over the City's attempted termination of the Service Agreement. The motion was made by Mr. Koligian and seconded by Mr. Souza and the vote was unanimously in favor of the motion.

13. ADJOURNMENT

Motion: To adjourn the meeting at 7:12p.m.

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

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


Cheryl Belluomini, Board Secretary
North Central Fire Protection District


Date