

**CITY OF SAN RAFAEL
FIRE COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

Wednesday, November 13, 2024, at 4:00 p.m.
In person meeting at 1375 Fifth Ave, San Rafael, CA 94901
The meeting was called to order at 4:01 PM by Chair Burford

Present:

Chair Stan Burford
Commissioner David Fonkalsrud
Commissioner John Chung
Commissioner Brian Waterbury
Commissioner Donna McCusker
Commissioner Ken Johnson
Chief Roman
Chief Sinnott
Thomas Wong

1. Open Time for Public Expression
No public Comment.
2. Approval of Minutes – October 9, 2024
Chair Burford asks if there are any corrections or objections, hearing none, Commissioner Johnson seconds and the minutes are adopted unanimously.
3. Chair and Vice Chair – Appoint Chair and Vice Chair for 2025
Commissioner Fonkalsrud was nominated for Chair and Commissioner Johnson was nominated for Vice Chair based on seniority. Both were appointed and accepted their appointments.
4. Fire Foundation – Verbal Update from Commissioner Donna McCusker
Commissioner McCusker is meeting with potential new board members this month and next month. 2025 will be a year of consolidation and to get the board back in good shape. Novato Fire Foundation is a good template for what we want to have.
5. 150th Anniversary Sub Committee – Verbal Update from Commissioner Chung
Sunday, December 15 will be the Station 51 open house. It will go from 10:00 to 13:00. The department will bring the 38' Le France out for the open house. Display cabinets donated by the Fire Foundation will also be filled and displayed.
6. Chair and Commission Member Reports

Stan Burford– Chair: No report

David Fonkalsrud- Vice Chair: No report

Ken Johnson: Susan Blankenburg from FAIRA was invited by Commissioner Johnson. FAIR sells insurance to 94 Fire Agencies in California and Nevada.

Donna McCusker: The Fire Foundation will pay for display cases and helmet shields.

John Chung: Are there cancer screenings being done throughout the County? Chief Roman said that the MOU did not dictate it, but they put a side letter together that will allow for testing to be done. The City has hired On Duty Health to do these screenings. Commissioner Chung says SF voluntarily did screenings and they detected a lot of cancer early and saved a lot of lives.

Brian Waterbury: Attended the moving of the Fire Alarm box. Commissioner Waterbury is trying to track down more information about the alarm cabinet.

7. Fire Chief Report

The department will be taking a 150th Anniversary Proclamation to City Council in December. Chief Roman would like Commissioners to attend if possible.

Chief Sinnott provided the Fire Chief's report regarding the last month's activity in the City.

Meeting adjourned at 5:00 PM.