

AGENDA
SAN RAFAEL FIRE COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING

Fire Administration Conference Room
1600 Los Gamos Drive, Suite 345
San Rafael, CA 94903
Wednesday, March 11, 2020
4:00 P.M.

Members of the Public May Speak on Agenda Items

1. Open Time for Public Expression
The public is welcome to address the Fire Commission at this time on matters not on the agenda that are within its jurisdiction. Please be advised that pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.2, the Fire Commission is not permitted to discuss or take action on any matter not on the agenda unless it determines that an emergency exists, or that there is a need to take immediate action which arose following posting of the agenda. Comments may be no longer than two minutes and should be respectful to the community.
2. Approval of Minutes – February 12, 2020
Recommended Action: Amend and or approve as submitted.
3. Fire Foundation – Verbal Update from Appropriate Commissioner(s)
Recommended Action: Accept Verbal Report and take appropriate action.
4. Historic Subcommittee – Verbal Update from Appropriate Commissioner(s)
Recommended Action: Accept Verbal Report and take appropriate action.
5. Chair and Commission Member Reports:
 - 👤 Dr. Stephen Mizroch – Chair
 - 👤 Larry Luckham – Vice Chair
 - 👤 Thomas Weathers
 - 👤 Nadine Hade
 - 👤 Elias Hill
 - 👤 David Fonkalsrud, Alternate
 - 👤 Stan Burford, Alternate*Informational only. No action to be taken on these items.*
6. Update on the Marin Wildfire Authority JPA – Gardner
7. Update on the Wildfire Action Plan - Gardner
8. Continue Social Media and Webpage Discussion – Fonkalsrud, Catalinotto, & Gardner
9. Status of Fire Chief Recruitment - Battalion Chief
10. Fire Department Jackets/Status of Order – Battalion Chief
11. Fire Chief Report – Battalion Chief
12. Adjournment

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CITY OF SAN RAFAEL FIRE DEPARTMENT

FIRE COMMISSION MEETING

Minutes of the Regular Meeting

February 12, 2020

Fire Station 54, 46 Castro Ave, San Rafael CA

The meeting was called to order at 4 p.m. by Chair Mizroch.

Present: Chair Stephen Mizroch, Vice Chair Larry Luckham, Nadine Hade, Elias Hill, Thomas Weathers, and Alternates Stan Burford and Fonkalsrud.

Staff: Acting Fire Chief Bob Sinnott, Acting Captain Esteban Cespedes, FF/PM Steven Coleman, & FF/PM Pepi Morel.

1. Open Time for Public Expression. None
2. Approval of Minutes: M/S Luckham/Hill to approve the minutes from the January 8, 2020 Fire Commission meeting. All Ayes.
3. Fire Foundation Report. No report this month.
4. Historic Subcommittee. No report this month.
5. Commissioner Reports. First, Chair Mizroch asked each commissioner to introduce themselves and state why they joined the Fire Commission. This was for the benefit of the firefighters in attendance. The firefighters also were invited to introduce themselves to the commissioners. The commissioners then provided their reports:
 - Chair Mizroch: Provided an overview of his impression and role in the Fire Chief's interview process that occurred on February 10, 2020. Chair Mizroch participated as a panel member in the day-long interview process.
 - Vice Chair Luckham: Shared articles on new firefighting technology and a rescue that occurred in Atlanta involving a trapped 95-year old resident.
 - Commissioner Weathers: No report this month.
 - Commissioner Hade: Shared her perspective on the Fire Chief interview process in which she was a panel member for the February 10 interview process.
 - Commissioner Hill: Deferred his comments for later agenda items.
 - Commissioner Fonkalsrud: (1) Provided his view of the recent Wildfire Protection Community meetings; (2) mentioned he's seeing an increasing number of VOTE YES ON MEASURE C signs; (3) shared an article on the Future of Firefighting; (4) will contact Quinn Gardner and David Catalinotto regarding assistance and input with

Commissioner page of website & suggested that possibly Fire Foundation could assist with financial support if needed for website upgrades; (5) Stated that he had attended a recent Wildfire Protection Community meeting and praised staff for their efforts.

- Commissioner Burford: (1) Signed up for the upcoming San Rafael CERT course; (2) Mentioned that he had attended a recent Wildfire meeting as praised staff for the great effort; (3) Presented a check for \$1,000 to Chair Mizroch for the Fire Foundation on behalf of the Fair Hills HOA; (4) Summarized recent IJ article on Drone Program being implemented by the Southern Marin Fire District.
6. Fire Commission Goals for 2020. The Commissioners discussed goals for the calendar year, including: (1) Website development; (2) Efforts to assist Measure C; (3) Fire Foundation support; (4) Assisting with artwork and historical artifacts for the lobby at the new Public Safety Center.
 7. Marin Wildfire JPA. Staff updated the commissioners on the JPA and that the development of the organizational structure will proceed forward after the passage of Measure C. Currently, the Marin fire chiefs and city managers are meeting to outline the framework.
 8. Continue Social Media and Webpage Discussion. Commissioner Fonkalsrud will meet with Quinn Gardner and David Catalinotto about improving the current webpage. Subsequently, he will also reach out to Sean Mooney to solicit assistance.
 9. Status of Fire Chief Recruitment: Interviews are being held this week with candidates.
 10. Fire Department Jackets: Staff confirmed that commissioners have contacted FF Berkey to provide sizing information.
 11. Fire Chief's Report. Acting Chief Sinnott summarized Department activities since the previous meeting.
 12. Adjournment: The Fire Commission meeting was adjourned at 5 p.m. **The next meeting is tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, March 11, 2020 at 1600 Los Gamos Drive Suite 345.**

Submitted,

Robert B. Sinnott, Deputy Chief