

## MINUTES

*Special Board Meeting*

*February 15, 2023*

*9:30 a.m. 5:00 pm*

*Location: McKinleyville Station Conference Room*

*2149 Central Avenue, McKinleyville*

### **Board of Directors**

*Blaine Maynor (Division 1) - President, Eric Loudenslager (Division 4) - Vice President, Jason Akana (Division 5) - Director, Nicole Johnson (Division 2) - Director, Randy Mendosa (Division 3) - Director*

### **CALL TO ORDER**

The *special* session of the Board of Directors for the Arcata Fire District was called to order by Vice President Eric Loudenslager at 5:10 pm.

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was waived.

### **ATTENDANCE AND DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM**

The meeting continued with a quorum and the following were present: Vice President Loudenslager, Director Akana, Director Johnson, Director Mendosa and President Blaine Maynor arrived while taking roll.

Additional District administrative staff included Fire Chief Justin McDonald, and Board Secretary Becky Schuette.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

There were no public comments.

### **CLOSED SESSION**

1. Conference with Labor Negotiator (Gov. Code Section 54957.6)  
Employee Organization: *Fire Chief & Senior Management Group*  
Agency designated representative: *District Counsel Jack Hughes*

Attorney Jack Hughes was present via Zoom.

President Maynor adjourned to closed session at 5:11 pm.

The meeting resumed at 5:26 pm.

Report out of closed session by President Maynor; the Board provided direction to District Counsel.

Following the report out, Chief McDonald provided an update to the Board on the status of the new fire engine that he had received earlier in the day. He also reported that Assistant Chief Emmons and Fire Marshal Laidlaw had picked up the new/used officer

truck in Roseville and were looking at a couple of used wildland fire engines. They were then headed to pick up the new/used EV purchased by the AVFA with grant funds.

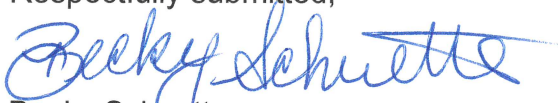
Several of the Directors had questions for the Chief about the vehicles as well as the used engines.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 5:35 pm.

The next Regular Meeting is scheduled for **March 14, 2023, Arcata Downtown Station Classroom, 631 9<sup>th</sup> Street in Arcata at 5:30 pm.**

Respectfully submitted,



Becky Schuette,  
Clerk of the Board