



Stanislaus County Fire Authority  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
March 2, 2023, 830 hrs.  
Emergency Services Facility - 3705

**1. Pledge of Allegiance:**

Meeting called to order by Chief Parnell at 0830 hrs. The flag was saluted.

**2. Roll Call:**

The following agency's representative / alternate were in attendance:

Burbank Paradise Fire Protection District	Chief Bernardi
Cal-Fire SCU	Absent
Cal-Fire TCU	Chief Bohall
City of Ceres Fire Dept	Chief Wise
Ceres Fire Protection District	Chief Wise
Denair Fire Protection District	Absent
Hughson Fire Protection District	Chief Berner
Industrial Fire Protection District	Chief Wise
Keyes Fire Protection District	Absent
City of Modesto Fire Dept	Chief Tietjen
Mountain View Fire Protection District	Absent
City of Newman Fire Dept	Absent
City of Oakdale Fire Dept	Chief Tietjen
Oakdale Rural Fire Protection District	Chief Tietjen
City of Patterson Fire Dept	Chief Hakola
Salida Fire Protection District	Chief Wise
Stanislaus Consolidated Fire Protection District	Chief Tietjen
Stanislaus County Fire Warden	Chief Parnell
City of Turlock Fire Dept	Chief Wise
Turlock Rural Fire Protection District	Absent
West Stanislaus Fire Protection District	Chief Hakola
Westport Fire Protection District	Absent
Woodland Ave Fire Protection District	Chief Boer

Also attending the meeting:

Chief Klevmyr, Chief Murdock, Chad Braner (EMS), Kevin Anderson (CERT), John Alberti (Air Ops), Chad Homme, and Matt Jenkins, Stanislaus County Emergency Services; Brooke Freeman, Sheriff's Office, Dustin Bruley, FIU; Chief Hunter, Chief Jesberg and Chief Bartley, Modesto Fire, and Kasey Young, SR911.

**3. Public Comment:**

None

#### **4. Approval of Minutes:**

##### **4.1 Approval of the September 1, 2022 Regular meeting minutes.**

Motion to approve made by Chief Bernardi, seconded by Chief Hakola, motion passed.

##### **4.2 Approval of the October 6, 2022 Special meeting minutes.**

Motion to approve made by Chief Bernardi, seconded by Chief Hakola, motion passed.

##### **4.3 Approval of the December 1, 2022 Regular meeting minutes.**

Motion to approve made by Chief Bernardi, seconded by Chief Hakola, motion passed.

#### **5. Staff / Committee Reports:**

##### **5.1 Fire Investigation Report**

- A detailed summary report was included in the agenda packet.
- Nothing further reported.

##### **5.2 Fire Prevention Report**

- A detailed summary report was included in the agenda packet.
- Nothing further reported.

##### **5.3 Fire Communication Report**

- A detailed summary report was included in the agenda packet.
- Fire RMS – March 20<sup>th</sup> cutover from ITC to Zoll Hosted
- Communication Advisory Meeting is this month

##### **5.4 Fire Chaplain Report**

- A detailed summary report was included in the agenda packet.
- John Alberti reported for the Fire Chaplain – offered Chaplain services to CalFire & PG&E

##### **5.5 Administration & Support Report**

- Fire Service Fund financial statement was included in the agenda packet.

##### **5.6 Training**

- A detailed summary report was in the agenda packet.
- Fire Warden's Office is hosting S-290 and S-215 classes in April and S-230 & S-231 in June.
- 2023 Wildland Fire Training in May

### **5.7 HazMat/Tech Rescue**

- A detailed summary report was in the agenda packet.
- If agencies have any unique issues, they are here to help, specifically with the new types of “green” equipment.

### **5.8 Air Operations**

- A detailed summary report was in the agenda packet.
- Offered services to CalFire & EMS/Fire.

### **5.9 CERT**

- A detailed summary report was in the agenda packet.
- CERT Coordinator provided a presentation on the history of CERT in Stanislaus County and the purpose.

### **5.10 EMS**

- A detailed summary report was in the agenda packet.
- New EMS Admin Clerk starts on March 13<sup>th</sup>
- The mobile App Handtevy is coming soon
- We are revamping all protocols, formatting & updating as needed
- Mobile Crisis Response Unit (MCRT) has been live for a month and have had about 20 calls so far
- EMS staff are ALS ready to run calls if necessary (5-10 calls per month capacity) to help out the system
- Working on a material breach of contract started 3/1/23 for Oak Valley Ambulance
- We have received approval to hire a consultant to work on the Ambulance Provider RFP
- We are getting an updated quote for Lucas devices
- MST - Truck 1, Engine’s 4, 7, 19 and Quint 18 have been approved vehicles for ALS

### **5.11 SR911**

- Kasey Young is being recommended at the commission meeting to become the Interim Director of SR911.
- Working to hire a Quality Assurance manager
- There are currently 21 dispatchers trained, 15 in training and 3 onboarding.
- 4/9/23 – 4/15/23 is Dispatcher Appreciation week; asking for sponsors to provide meals, desert, etc.

## **6. Agenda Items:**

### **6.1 PG&E Wildfire Safety Presentation – Will Harris PG&E**

The new PG&E Public Safety Specialist gave a presentation on emergency preparedness and working closely with first responders. PG&E offers first responder workshops on gas & electric safety.

**6.2 Oakdale Rural Fire District Funding Request for Benefit Assessment**

Chief Tietjen asking for funding from RFA, initial \$20,000, preparing for next election, looking to see if it's viable. Fire Protection Measure was voted down for funding previously. Chief Boer asked what the difference is between last election and this time? Chief Tietjen stated there was a lot of mistrust previously, now we are building relationships & depth of service, HazMat etc., proving ourselves, townhall meetings, getting the message out. City of Modesto is not providing the funding, all Oakdale's funding.

Motion to approve made by Chief Hakola, seconded by Chief Bernardi, motion passed.

**6.3 Burbank Paradise Fire District Funding Request for CEQA Development Fees – Discussion Item**

When Chief Golling took over as Chief of Burbank Paradise, he found out there were no development fees, had failed tax measures. They have to make capital improvements & need funding of \$7,150 for Capital Public Group.

Motion to approve made by Chief Tietjen, seconded by Chief Hakola, motion passed.

**7. Announcements:**

**7.1 The next regular meeting is scheduled for June 1, 2023, 0830 hrs, at the Emergency Services Facility.**

Meeting adjourned at 1022 hrs.

Respectfully submitted,

Casi Persons  
Clerk of the Board