

Stanislaus County Fire Authority  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
September 5, 2019, 830 hrs.  
RFTC, 1220 Fire Science Lane, Modesto



**1. Pledge of Allegiance:**

Meeting called to order by the Chair, Chief Murdock at 830 hrs. The flag was saluted.

**2. Roll Call:**

The follow agency representatives /alternates were present:

Burbank Paradise Fire	Chris Bernardi
Cal-Fire	Absent
City of Ceres	Chief Wise
Denair Fire	Chief Lundquist
Hughson Fire	Absent
Keyes Fire	Chief Klevmyr
City of Modesto	Chief Ernst
Mountain View Fire	Absent
City of Newman	Chief Bowen
City of Oakdale	Chief Ermst
Oakdale Rural Fire	Chief Ernst
City of Patterson	Absent
Salida Fire	Chief Weigele
Stanislaus Consolidated Fire	Chief Whorton
Stanislaus County Fire Warden	Chief Murdock, Chief Klevmyr
City of Turlock	Chief White
Turlock Rural Fire	Kenneth Howenstine
Westport Fire	Steve Brush
West Stanislaus Fire	Chief Bowen
Woodland Ave. Fire	Chief Passalaqua

Also attending the meeting: Chad Homme, Francine Gutierrez, Stanislaus County OES / Fire Warden; Dave Hutchinson, Dustin Bruley, Ed Sears, Fire Investigation Unit; Wendy Silva, SR911; Jim Whitworth, MVEMSA; Ron Cripe, RFTC; Jonathan Schali, Patterson Fire

**3. Public Comment:**

None

**4. Approval of Minutes:**

4.1 Approval of the June 6, 2019 regular meeting minutes

Chief Ernst made a motion to approve the minutes. Chief Weigele seconded the motion. Motion passed.

**5. Staff / Committee Reports:**

**5.1 Fire Investigation Report**

**NFPA Technical Committee Report**

Dustin Brumley reported on the investigations during the reporting period. A summary report was included in the agenda packet and a full break down report was emailed to Chiefs prior to today's meeting. Dustin Bruley will give the NFPA Technical Committee report at a later date.

**5.2 Fire Prevention Report**

Chief Klevmyr reported that, per the Fire Prevention Expansion Plan, two new Fire Prevention Specialists have been hired and are completing their field training. The Fire Prevention Bureau is currently working on scheduling the school inspections which will be followed by hotel/motel inspections. This year to date there have been 132 weed complaints. All but three have been brought to compliance. Those three are in the process of being force cleaned. Fire Marshal Crook is working on the adoption of the 2019 California Fire Code and local ordinances

**5.3 Fire Communication Report**

Communications Coordinator Chad Homme reported that the CAD Mobile client will be pushed out remotely in the coming weeks. There is also a new version of Net-Motion available to agencies. The 2019 Cal Fire radio load has been received. CDF Tac 33 is the only change to the load. Chad will be working on updating the code plug for the 2019 reprogramming which will be conducted in early October.

Chief Ernst reported that Assemblyman Heath Flora has been working on funding for our radio infrastructure and upgrade project. He reported that CalOES will likely be involved in the process.

**5.4 Fire Training Report**

Chief Wiegele expressed concerns that the RFA Training Subcommittee had not recently met and was without a committee chair. A request was made that the subcommittee meet soon to discuss training opportunities and appoint a chairperson.

**5.5 Administration & Support Report**

Finance Manager Francine Gutierrez reviewed the finance report (attached). Chief Weigele asked about recent purchases, including vehicles. Chief Murdock discussed the purchases and purchasing/approval process. Chief Brush requested that a more detailed summary be provided at the next RFA meeting.

**5.6 Business Plan Committee Report**

No report.

**6. Agenda Items:**

**6.1 Approval to Recommend the Regional Fire Training Center Use Agreement to the Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors**

Chief Klevmyr reported on the status of the agreement. Chief Bernardi made a motion to approve. Chief Ernst seconded the motion. Motion passed.

**6.2 Approval to Recommend the Fund Balance Use Plan for Fiscal Year 2019/2020 to the Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors**

Chief Weigele made a motion to approve. Chief Passalaqua seconded the motion. Motion passed. Keyes abstained from the vote.

**7. Announcements:**

- 7.1 The next Regular meeting is scheduled for December 5, 2019, 8:30 a.m., Regional Fire Training Center

Meeting adjourned at 0914 hrs.

Respectfully Submitted,

Erik Klevmyr  
Stanislaus County Fire Warden's Office