

Stanislaus County Fire Authority
Regular Meeting Minutes
September 5, 2013– 8:30 a.m.
Regional Fire Training Center – Modesto, CA

1. Chief Slamon called the meeting to order at 8:35 a.m. The flag was saluted.

2. **Roll Call:**

The following agency representatives were present:

City of Ceres	Chief Nicholes
Denair Fire District	Chief Doerksen
Keyes Fire District	Chief Klevmyr
City of Modesto	Chief Bradley
City of Patterson	Chief Hall
Salida Fire District	Chief Skiles
Stanislaus County	Chief Skiles
City of Turlock	Chief Lohman
Westport fire District	Chief Hackett
West Stanislaus Fire	Director Kimball

Also Present: Brian Kelly, Stanislaus Consolidated; Sean Slamon, Mike Payton, Cecil Ridge, Chad Homme, Deborah Thrasher, Mimi Jackson, Modesto Regional Fire Authority

Guests- Ron Baldwin Peterson Engineers; Marjorie Blom, LAFCO

3. **Public Comment:** Ron Baldwin presented information on a study that is being done on the flood areas on the San Joaquin River. They are trying to identify, among many other things, what the commitment of public safety is with respect to the levee problems on the river.

4. **Approval of Minutes:** Chief Lohman made a motion to accept the minutes from the June 2013 meeting; Chief Skiles seconded the motion. Motion was passed.

5. **Staff / Committee Reports**

- 5.1 Management, Fiscal, Legislative- A report was given on what the Fiscal Year 13-14 charges would be for both the MDC program and the Fire RMS program. Spread sheets with the costs were provided. Agencies should expect to see an invoice from Modesto Regional Fire for those costs. In the past this was handled through the Fire Warden's Office but is now done through MRFA.
- 5.2 Fire Investigations- The number of fire investigations was provided in the report that was handed out. Chief Slamon reported that the arson task force meeting was well attended.
- 5.3 Chief Payton discussed issues regarding the upcoming fire code adoption. He encouraged any agency planning on adopting the code to attend the meetings. County will most likely adopt the minimum standard. It will be up to the fire agencies to specify more restrictive. Standardization is a goal.
- 5.4 Fire Communications- Chad Homme provided report. He has been working with SR911 on the Pulsepoint program. Other current projects included Hiplink, a new version of CAD, Tablet Command demo, Sit Stat monitor, MDC modem evaluation and the Go to Meeting system.

6. **Agenda Items**

- 6.1 Operational Area- Deborah Thrasher provided an up-date on NIMSCAST. OES has Emergency Response Guides for any agency that wants them. Paper work from the Rim Fire was handed out to the participating agencies.
- 6.2 Fire code Adoption – was discussed under the Fire Prevention report.
- 6.3.1 Election of Officers – Due to the new fire chief being appointed at Modesto Regional Fire, it was determined that Chief Slamon could not hold the position of Chairman. According to the by-laws, the position of chairman must be the agency representative. It was motioned, seconded and passed that Chief Passalaqua be contacted to determine if he would be willing to become the chairman; he has been the vice-chairman for 7 years. Chief Hall agreed to accept the nomination for the chairman position if Chief Passalaqua declined.

The next meeting is scheduled for December 5, 2013

The meeting was adjourned at 1025.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mimi Jackson

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