The Regular meeting of the North County Fire Protection District Board of Directors was held on **June 15**, **2021** at 11200 Speegle Street, Castroville, CA

The Board Chair called the meeting to order at 10:04 A.M.

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL:

Don Chapin, President

Jacqueline C. Simon, Vice President (Absent A.M.)

Ramon Gomez, Secretary Stanley Silva, Director Peter Scudder, Director

Administration:

Rick Parker, Fire Chief

Joel Mendoza, Division Chief Jess Mendoza, Division Chief

Carolina Bravo, Administrative Officer

## ADDITIONS & CORRECTIONS TO AGENDA:

No revisions or corrections to the agenda were received. Agenda to stand as posted.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

None.

#### **PUBLIC HEARING:**

The Board President opened the public hearing and Consideration of the Levy of Assessments for the Proposed North County Fire Protection District Fire Protection and Emergency Response Services at 10:11 A.M.

- a. SCI Consulting provided the introductory comments and general overview of the proposed North County Fire Protection District Fire Protection and Emergency Response Services Assessment
- b. President Chapin outlined the Public Hearing procedures as follows:
- Each public speaker must fill out a speaker card and will have 3 minutes to address the Board.
- All oral questions must be asked and written questions must be submitted in this section before questions are answered.
- Public can request a replacement ballot at the meeting (point to Jeanette Hynson, SCI Consulting Group for replacement ballots).
- All ballots must be submitted prior to the close of the public input portion of the public hearing (point to ballot box).
- c. President Chapin opened the Public Input.
- d. Public comment was given. Residents expressed both support and concern regarding the proposed Fire Protection and Emergency Response Services Assessment.
- e. The Board, NCFPD staff, and the assessment engineering firm (SCI Consulting) responded to questions from the public comments.
- f. President Chapin conducted the last call for the submittal of ballots.
- g. President Chapin closed the public input portion of the public hearing at 11:19 A.M.
- h. President Chapin directed tabulation of all returned ballots to begin.

 Public Hearing Continued to June 15, 2021, 6:00 P.M. at the same location of public hearing (11200 Speegle Street, Castroville, CA North County Fire Protection District Station 1 - Upstairs Meeting Room)

RECESS: 11:21 A.M.

The Board Chair called the meeting back to order at 11:30 A.M.

#### MINUTES:

Motion made by Director Scudder, seconded by Secretary Gomez, to approve the May 18, 2021 regular board meeting minutes.

Motion carried; 4-0 (Vice President Simon absent during the A.M. portion of the meeting).

### WARRANTS/PURCHASING CONSENT:

The Board reviewed the June 2021 Purchasing Consent Calendar and the Check Register for May 2021 #43468 through #43508 (including direct deposit and electronic payments) for a monthly total of \$675,556.33. Motion made by Director Silva, seconded by Director Scudder to approve the Consent Calendar and Check Register.

Motion carried; 4-0 (Vice President Simon absent during the A.M. portion of the meeting).

#### FINANCIAL REPORTS:

- 1. The May 2021 Revenue report (Item 6-A) was reviewed and received.
- 2. The May 2021 Expenditure report (Item 6-B) was reviewed and received.
- 3. The May 2021 County Treasury Reconciliation Summary (Item 6-C) was reviewed and received.
- 4. The May 2021 Comerica Bank Reconciliation Summary (Item 6-D) was reviewed and received.
- 5. The May 2021 US Bank CAL-CARD Reconciliation Report and Expense Statement (Item 6-E) was reviewed and received.

## CORRESPONDENCE:

None.

# FIRE CHIEF REPORT:

Fire Chief Rick Parker presented the Chief's Report (Item 8-A) to the Board. The Board accepted the Fire Chief's report.

# STAFF REPORT:

None.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

None.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

None.

# BOARD OF DIRECTORS COMMUNICATION:

The board of directors thanked everyone for participating and expressed their commitment to the fire district and residents to ensure that the community prospers.

### CLOSED SESSION:

None.

RECESS: 12:01 P.M. (Board Meeting to break to allow for tabulation. The meeting will resume on June 15, 2021, 6:00 P.M. at the same location (11200 Speegle Street, Castroville, CA North County Fire Protection District Station 1 – Upstairs Meeting Room)

a. President Chapin opened the board meeting for the continuation of June 15, 2021 Public Hearing and Consideration of the Levy of Assessments for the Proposed North County Fire Protection District Fire Protection and Emergency Response Services, in compliance with Proposition 218 at 6:00 P.M.

b. Sonia Ortega of SCI Consulting announced the results of tabulation of ballot results for the proposed Fire Protection and Emergency Response Services as follows:

Total Number of Valid Ballots Processed:
Total Assessment Amount of Valid Ballots:

2294 \$382,256.84

Total Assessment Amount of "Yes" Votes Processed:

\$222,111.84

Total Percentage of "Yes" Ballots, Weighted by Assessment:

58.11%

Total Assessment Amount of "No" Votes Processed:

\$160,145.00

Total Percentage of "No" Ballots, Weighted by Assessment:

41.89%

Total Assessment Amount of "Invalid" Ballots Processed:

\$3,807.89

Public comment was given.

The Board thanked residents for their support in helping pass the Fire Protection and Emergency Response Services Benefit Assessment

Motion made by Vice President Simon, seconded by Director Silva to approve Resolution 20-6-1: Approving engineer's report, Confirming diagram and assessment, and ordering levy of the North County Fire Protection District of Monterey County, fire protection and emergency response Services assessment for fiscal year 2021-22.

Roll call vote was administered: Silva – aye; Scudder – aye; Gomez– aye; Simon – aye; Chapin – aye.

Motion carried 5-0

PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED/ADJOURNMENT: 6:19 P.M.

ITEMS FOR NEXT MONTH'S AGENDA:

Tuesday, July 20, 2021 at 10:00 A.M. at 11200 Speegle St., Castroville, CA 95012

• LAFCO Presentation

Respectfully submitted by:

Carolina Bravo, Recorder

Don Chapin, President

Ramon Gomez, Secretary