The Regular meeting of the North County Fire Protection District Board of Directors was held on **November 16**, **2021** at 11200 Speegle Street, Castroville, CA

The Board Chair called the meeting to order at 10:01 A.M.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL: Don Chapin, President

Jacqueline C. Simon, Vice President

Ramon Gomez, Secretary (arrived at 10:02 am)

Stanley Silva, Director (absent)

Peter Scudder, Director

Administration: Joel Mendoza, Fire Chief

Jess Mendoza, Division Chief Rick Parker, 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:

Captain Don Harvey thanked the Board for all the work they have done for the District.

MINUTES:

Motion made by Director Scudder, seconded by Vice President Simon, to approve the October 19, 2021 regular board meeting minutes.

Motion carried; 3-0-1 (President Chapin Abstained, as he was not present at the October board meeting)

WARRANTS/PURCHASING CONSENT:

The Board reviewed the November 2021 Purchasing Consent Calendar and the Check Register for October 2021 #43723 through #43799 (including direct deposit and electronic payments) for a monthly total of \$622,985.62. Motion made by Vice President Simon, seconded by Director Scudder to approve the Consent Calendar and Check Register. Motion carried; 4-0.

FINANCIAL REPORTS:

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

CORRESPONDENCE:

None.

FIRE CHIEF REPORT:

Fire Chief Joel Mendoza presented the Chief's Report (Item 7-A) to the Board. The Board accepted the Fire Chief's report.

STAFF REPORT:

None.

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Motion made by Secretary Gomez, seconded by Vice President Simon to authorize the Fire Chief to utilize funds from the District's Prop 218 Benefit Assessment to fill 5 vacant firefighter positions.

Motion carried; 4-0.

CLOSED SESSION:

ADJOURNMENT TO CLOSED SESSION: 11:00 A.M.

CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENT: 11:11 A.M.

The Board discussed with labor negotiator President Chapin, regarding a negotiating session with Local 3058. President Chapin indicated a tentative agreement had been reached and discussed the same with the Board for approval to move forward with such a T/A. The Board advised staff to amend and prepare the MOU for an effectiove date of January 1, 2022 and bring it back to the December Board meeting for Board approval and adoption in open session.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS COMMUNICATION:

Secretary Gomez inquired regarding the possibility of a hybrid in-person/online board meeting.

ITEMS FOR NEXT MONTH'S AGENDA:

Tuesday, December 21, 2021 at 10:00 A.M. at 11200 Speegle St., Castroville, CA 95012

ADJOURNMENT in honor of Captain Don Harvey's upcoming retirement: 11:15 A.M. Respectfully submitted by:

Carolina Bravo, Recorder

Ramon Gomez, Secretary

Don Chapin, President