

MINUTES

ORANGE COUNTY FIRE AUTHORITY

Board of Directors Special Meeting
Wednesday, June 20, 2018
6:00 P.M.

Regional Fire Operations and Training Center Board Room
1 Fire Authority Road
Irvine, CA 92602-0125

CALL TO ORDER

A special meeting of the Orange County Fire Authority Board of Directors was called to order on June 20, 2018, at 6:00 p.m. by Chair Sachs.

INVOCATION

Senior Chaplain Dave Keehn offered the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Director Basile led the Assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

ROLL CALL

Leah Basile, Lake Forest
Ellery Deaton, Seal Beach
Sergio Farias, San Juan Capistrano
Craig Green, Placentia
Shelley Hasselbrink, Los Alamitos
Joe Muller, Dana Point
Vince Rossini, Villa Park
Dave Shawver, Stanton
Elizabeth Swift, Buena Park

Laurie Davies, Laguna Niguel
Melissa Fox, Irvine
Carol Gamble, Rancho Santa Margarita
Dave Harrington, Aliso Viejo
Noel Hatch, Laguna Woods
Al Murray, Tustin
Ed Sachs, Mission Viejo
Todd Spitzer, County of Orange
Juan Villegas, Santa Ana

Absent:

Lisa Bartlett, County of Orange
Gene Hernandez, Yorba Linda
Don Sedgwick, Laguna Hills
Tri Ta, Westminster

Tim Brown, San Clemente
Robert Johnson, Cypress
Michele Steggell, La Palma

Also present were:

Fire Chief Brian Fennessy
Assistant Chief Lori Smith
General Counsel David Kendig
Clerk of the Authority Sherry Wentz

Assistant Chief Lori Zeller
Assistant Chief Dave Anderson
Human Resources Director Brigitte Gibb

1. PRESENTATIONS

No items.

REPORTS

No items.

PUBLIC COMMENTS (F: 11.11)

Laurie Murray, La Palma City Manager, read into the record a letter from La Palma City Council of opposition to the City of Irvine's proposal to OCFA. (Letter is on file in the Office of the Clerk.)

Director Villegas arrived at this point (6:05 p.m.).

CLOSED SESSION (F: 11.15)

CS1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL–ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

Authority: Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2) – Significant Exposure to Litigation (2 cases)

CS2. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL–ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

Authority: Government Code Section 54956.9(c) – Initiation of Litigation (2 cases)

General Counsel David Kendig reported the Board would convene to Closed Session to consider the matters on the agenda identified as CS1 and CS2, Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation.

Chair Sachs recessed the meeting to Closed Session at 6:07 p.m.

Director Shawver arrived at this point (6:08 p.m.).

Director Harrington arrived at this point (6:15 p.m.).

Director Murray arrived at this point (6:34 p.m.).

Director Farias arrived at this point (6:45 p.m.).

Chair Sachs reconvened the meeting from Closed Session at 7:32 p.m., with all prior members present.

CLOSED SESSION REPORT (F: 11.15)

General Counsel David Kendig reported that the Board on motion by Director Gamble and seconded by Director Deaton, the Board authorized staff to send the City of Irvine a nice response to its proposal reiterating OCFA's existing snowball plan, the Board's continued interest in providing the Added Value Items, except the Joint Training Center, and stating that proposal items 4 and 5 are rejected. Motion carried with Directors Hatch, Spitzer, Harrington, Farias, and Fox voting in opposition.

He also reported that the Board on motion by Director Gamble and second by Director Shawver rejected Irvine's request to extend the deadline. Motion carried with Directors Villegas and Spitzer voting in opposition, with Director Fox abstaining.

There were no other reportable actions.

2. MINUTES

No items.

3. CONSENT CALENDAR

No items.

4. PUBLIC HEARING(S)

No items.

5. DISCUSSION CALENDAR

A. Ongoing Equity Discussions - City of Irvine (F: 10.3 Irvine)

Chair Sachs asked General Counsel David Kendig if it was necessary to take action on this agenda item.


General Counsel Kendig stated it was not necessary.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS (F: 11.13)

Director Swift announced the Grand Opening of Station 61 (Buena Park), takes place July 11, 2018, at 10:00 a.m.

Director Spitzer thanked OCFA for the deliberate cooperation with the Orange County Sheriff's Department in tackling the recent Santiago fire.

ADJOURNMENT – Chair Sachs adjourned the meeting at 7:38 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Orange County Fire Authority Board of Directors is scheduled for June 28, 2018, at 6:00 p.m.



Sherry A.F. Wentz, CMC
Clerk of the Authority