

# **Mosquito Fire Protection District**

Board of Directors Meeting Thursday, March 25, 2021 – 7 PM Mosquito FPD Station 75 8801 Rock Creek Road Placerville, Ca. 96557

### **MINUTES**

Item	Presenter
1. Call to Order. 7 PM In order to ensure compliance with federal and state guidance regarding large gatherings and in accordance with State of California Executive Order N-29-20, to provide the public with the opportunity to provide comments to the Board, the Board is providing a call in number (please see below). The chair will call for public comment. When you hear the item called that you wish to comment on, please indicate your wish to comment, await the notification that you may comment. You may speak for three minutes or as otherwise provided by the Board Chair. While speaking, please reduce any background noise to ensure that your comments can be heard.	C. Persico
Topic: MFPD Board Meeting 2021 Mar 25 Time: Mar 25, 2021 07:00 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)	
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<b>2. Roll Call &amp; Quorum announced.</b> Present Directors Connell Persico, James Young, Taffy Warner, Barbara Mikel and Jerry Pullin. We have quorum.	C. Persico

3. Pledge of Allegiance.	C. Persico
4. Public Comment Public may address the board on any District related item not included in this agenda. Please limit your comments to no more than 3 minutes in duration. Special Districts CSDA Coordinator presented an update of different projects being worked on by the CSDA. In the works, seeking Covid funding from the state for Special districts.	
5. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA AND APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR The Board may make any necessary additions, deletions, or corrections to the agenda including moving items to or from the Consent Calendar and adopt the agenda and the Consent Calendar with one single vote. A Board member may request an item be removed from the Consent Calendar for discussion and separate Board action. At the appropriate time as called by the Board Chair, members of the public may make a comment on matters on the Consent Calendar prior to Board action.  Motion to adopt agenda with a change to move Item 10.1 to be presented before Item 8, and approve the consent calendar by Director Young, second by Director Pullin. Ayes: Directors Young, Pullin, Warner, Persico and Mikel. Noes: 0 Abstain: 0	C. Persico
6. CONSENT CALENDAR	
<b>6.1</b> Approval of Expenditures; Expenses Mar 9, 2021.	T. Warner
<b>6.2</b> Approval of Expenditures; Expenses Mar 10, 2021.	T. Warner
<b>6.3</b> Approval of Expenditures; Expenses Mar 11, 2021.	T. Warner
7. Approval of Minutes:	
<b>7.1</b> Minutes 2021 Feb 25. Motion to approve by Director Pullin, second by Director Young. Ayes: Directors Young, Pullin, Warner, Persico and Mikel. Noes: 0 Abstain: 0	
<b>7.2</b> Minutes 2021 Mar 8 Special Meeting. <i>Motion to approve by Director Young, second by Director Warner. Ayes: Directors Young, Pullin, Warner, Persico and Mikel. Noes: 0 Abstain: 0</i>	
10.1 Approval of Lexipol policy and procedure subscription. Motion to approve by Director Persico, second by Director Young. Ayes: Directors Young, Pullin, Warner, Persico and Mikel. Noes: 0 Abstain: 0	J. Rosevear
8. <u>Treasurers' Report 2021 Mar 18</u>	T. Warner
9. Chief's Report	J. Rosevear

10. <u>Issue Items</u>	
10.2 Strike Team and SSD fund discussion ( Policy 2-04- 2 issue papers). Motion to approve Policy 2-4 SSD, by Director Persico, second by Director Pullin. Ayes: Directors Young, Pullin, Warner, Persico and Mikel. Noes: 0 Abstain: 0 Motion to approve by Director Persico, second by Director Pullin. Ayes: Directors Young, Pullin, Warner, Persico and Mikel. Noes: 0 Abstain: 0	T. Warner
10.3 Approval for redirection of Development Impact Fee for Vehicle Reimbursement into District's Reserve Fund Account 7800.Development Impact Fee. Motion to approve by Director Persico, second by Director Young. Ayes: Directors Young, Pullin, Warner, Persico and Mikel. Noes: 0 Abstain: 0	T. Warner
10.4 Authorization to pay repair invoice for Engine 275 and Water Tender 75.  Motion to approve by Director Persico, second by Director Young.  Ayes: Directors Young, Pullin, Warner, Persico and Mikel.  Noes: 0 Abstain: 0	J. Rosevear
10.5 Authorization to purchase wildland safety gear - \$20,000 advance.  Motion to approve by Director Persico, second by Director Young.  Ayes: Directors Young, Pullin, Warner, Persico and Mikel.  Noes: 0 Abstain: 0	J. Rosevear
10.6 Ad-Hoc Committee Reports.	C. Persico
10.7 Response to South Fork Consulting for LAFCO MSR Draft Report- Finance Section.	B Mikel
11. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION 9:12 PM	
Update - Ongoing Litigation pursuant to Gov't. Code sec. 54956.9(d)(1) Joseph v MFPD	
12. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION AND REPORT. 9:58 PM	
The Board has endorsed a settlement agreement and will make public those findings once finalized.	
13. Informational items: Correspondence and Communication. 9:08 PM 13.1 March 3 letter from Tom Harris. Mosquito Fire Protection District Board of Directors 8801 Rock Creek Road Placerville CA 95667	C. Persico
Attn: Connell Persico, Board Chairman	MAR
March 3, 2021	MAR 0 - 2021

Re: MFPD Board minutes dated 2/25/2021, Page 10 of 25, Item 11. Dear Mr. Persico,

My name is Tom Harris, and I direct your attention to the minutes above:

11. Director's Comments. Director Persico mentioned that Tom Harris (Support Group member) had in <u>written public correspondence</u> (emphasis mine) asserted that Kim Purcell (Support Group member) serves as an adviser to the Fire District. That assertion is false and misleading. Director Persico asked that all participants in the District speak factually about the district and its operations.

This assertion of <u>yours</u> is totally false and misleading, and borders on libel. The "written public correspondence" that you refer to was NOT public correspondence, and was never meant to be. It was a private letter addressed to another Support Group member and sent via U.S. mail. The addressee posted this private letter on public social media. By sending the letter via U.S. mail, I had a legitimate expectation of privacy. This expectation of privacy was violated by the addressee and now by extension, violated by YOU.

I am neither a public figure, nor a member of any board of directors. I am a private citizen and a taxpaying member of the Mosquito Fire Protection District. Furthermore, I never waived any right to privacy in this matter. As an elected public official, your violation of my privacy rights is offensive at best, and defamatory at worst.

In addition, by asserting that Kim Purcell is NOT an adviser to the Fire Department, you appear to be interfering with the operations of the fire department which I believe, according to district policy, is the sole jurisdiction of the fire Chief. Kim can speak for herself, but I ask you to please adhere to district policy and to respect the privacy rights of the residents you were elected to represent.

Finally, I expect this letter will be posted in the next meeting minutes of the MFPD board under Correspondence and Communication. Thank you.

Sincerely,
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Tom Harris

Cc: Jack Rosevear

#### 14. Director's Comments.

## **15. Adjourn.** *10 PM*