



Sonoma County
Fire Chief's Association
Fire Prevention Officers Section

MONTHLY MEETING
DECEMBER 18TH, 2019

SONOMA CO. FIRE DISTRICT STA 1
8200 OLD REDWOOD HWY. WINDSOR, CA

Devon Gambonini, Petaluma Fire	Kemplen Robbins, Santa Rosa Fire
Ruben Mandujano, Healdsburg Fire	Jared McDaniel, Santa Rosa Fire
Jim Levy, Bodega Bay Fire	Cyndi Foreman, Sonoma Co. Fire Dist.
Ian Hardage, Santa Rosa Fire	Doug Williams, SMART
Enrique Ruiz, Petaluma Fire	Linda Collister, Healdsburg Fire
Quang Pham, Santa Rosa Fire	Trevor Smith, Sonoma Valley FRA
Paula Dueweke, Petaluma Fire	Cal Lewis, Consultant
Scott McKinnon, SCSO	Sam Lashley, Santa Rosa Fire
Hans Henneberque, H&S Associates	Glenn Schainblatt, Sebastopol
Jason Piloni, Sonoma Co. Fire Dist.	Scott Moon, Santa Rosa Fire
Paul Lowenthal, Santa Rosa Fire	Randy Collins, SRJC

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

- Time 10:08am

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

ATTENDANCE AND SELF-INTRODUCTIONS

APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND LAST MONTHS' MINUTES

- Motion to approve minutes: 1st R. Mandujano, 2nd I. Hardage

SECRETARY / TREASURER REPORT:

Fund Balances

General Fund: \$ 2,325.70



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Trailer Fund:	\$ 8,956.90
FITF Fund:	\$ 1,613.49
Youth Fire Setter Program	\$ 41.53
Career Succession Fund:	\$ 1,375.64
Total:	\$ 14,313.26

Treasurer's Report: Hans wanted to bring the dialogue on the possibility of merging safety pals funds. Cyndi stated that the safety pals e-board is having an e-board meeting in January to discuss further. Hans announced that he will be the treasurer for one more year.

LIAISON REPORTS

- Fire Chief's Report- K. Robbins
 - Discussed safety pals and safety trailer funds. Nothing else relevant for prevention during the meeting.
- FITF/NYFIC- R. Mandujano & K. Robbins
 - Cards were handed out at the Chief's Meeting on procedures for a FITF call out. Scott McKinnon and Darrin DeCarli made the presentation. Discussed the roles of law enforcement and fire investigators at the scene. Next meeting January 15th at RPDPs. Scott McKinnon will provide training after the next meeting.
- Norcal FPO's- I. Hardage
 - No December meeting. Next meeting in Sac at Sac Metro. Will have all state agencies. DSA, HCD, CALBO, SFM, CSLB, ICC etc. CFPI is in Mar. NorCal looking to host more fire marshal series classes. Possibly in the east bay region. Code update classes.
- REACO- G. Schainblatt
 - Elections for REACO were held at the last meeting. Attended code and commentary at the state. Glen retires Dec. 31 and thanked our group for including him throughout the years.
 - FPO meeting paused to provide Glen with a plaque and presentation in appreciation for his dedication to the FPO group and wish him well on his retirement.
- Fire Safe Sonoma- R. Mandujano/P. Lowenthal
 - The structure assessment class in Kenwood was excellent. Paul said that they are trying to push more classes around the county. Getting a ton of requests for grants for fire wise communities, etc. Roberta is getting ready to release the video for Ready, Set, Go! and Know Your Alerts.
- SoCo Ops/Training- No report
- HazMat/CUPA- S. Moon
 - CUPA Conference coming up in February in Burlingame

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Public Education- No report
- Fire Service Education- I. Hardage
 - Still looking for Eric Price to teach a class. Possibly Apr/May 2020



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- Code Development- Ian Hardage/Linda Collister
 - Code updates are done. Hans wanted to know who has done their SB 1205 reports. Only Santa Rosa and Sonoma Valley has. Ian reminded the group that the reports are due by December 31, 2019.
- Legislation- No report

NEW BUSINESS

- Goals for 2020:
 - Inspector 2 series
 - Energy Storage
 - 13D sprinkler plan class
 - Fire code college? Hans proposed the idea again as it was successful years ago. More discussion on this to follow at the January meeting
 - Discussion about having a FPO meeting/Code and commentary class. More discussion to follow at January meeting.
 - By-Laws Update:
 - E-board will work on the update to the by-laws and provide for review at the January 2020 meeting
- Committee appointments:
 - Public Education: Paul Lowenthal, Linda Collister
 - Fire Service Education: Ian Hardage, Hans Henneberque and possibly Eric Seabrook (REACO)
 - Code Development: Linda Collister and Scott Moon
 - Legislation: Cyndi Foreman (Legislation will be a liaison report and not a committee)
 - Safety Pals: Cyndi Foreman & Devon Gambonini
 - Safety Trailer: Jason Piloni, Ruben Mandujano & Steve Mosuirchak
 - Reformed committee to address the significant updates that need to occur on the trailer, including replacing the tires as one recently had a total failure. Paul Lowenthal mentioned that the committee should look into the Hartford Grant as there could be monies available to help with the refurbishing of the trailer.
- Meeting Schedule for 2020
 - Changing some meeting locations. Will look at having a Marin/Sonoma liaison. Meeting schedule will mostly remain the same. The July meeting will change from Sebastopol to Bodega Bay. August meeting will change from Santa Rosa to having it on the SMART train. Devon will reach out to Rancho Adobe and Rohnert Park who were not in attendance to see if they still want to host meetings.
- Fire Gel: L. Collister
 - During the Kincaid Fire, insurance companies were gelling houses without people knowing about. Going into neighborhoods spraying this solution ahead of the fire front. Similar to what they



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pretreat power poles with. Linda wanted to know if anyone knew what it was. No one in the group was aware.

- Contractors working without obtaining permits- L. Collister
 - Local fire alarm/fire sprinkler company doing work without permits. Had a discussion regarding the appropriate steps to report the contractor(s). In general, it requires an individual jurisdiction to file complaints with the CSLB and not one joint complaint from the county AHJ's. AHJ's in attendance that have had problems with the contractor are encouraged to file a complaint to the CSLB.
- Harry Quinlan- I. Hardage
 - A recipient has been selected and will be awarded at the January meeting

GOOD OF THE ORDER

- Cyndi- National Fire Safety Council- SRFD declined, didn't feel it was appropriate. Sonoma Co. Fire District has accepted. They send out a letter on behalf of the agency soliciting funds for fire prevention materials to businesses. They can send out to residences as well. Healdsburg has signed on as well. Paul stated that Chief Gossner asked him to bring it up as well. Their taxes that their citizens pay are already earmarked for outreach materials. They chose not to go that route.
- Doug- Smart: Larkspur extension opened last week. Construction to Windsor underway. If you have development along the right of way, the sooner you can bring project info to SMART the better. Possible meeting on the SMART train? Chief's group is going to do it.
- Randy Collins: SFT has been running at a deficit. SFT has raised fees. FSTEP classes going from \$20 to \$70. CFTES classes (fire inspector, investigator, etc.) going from \$80 to \$140. Randy Collins has a draft letter created to send to Assembly member Wood to make fees neutral. Going to be a grass-roots effort. Randy will be approaching chief's and FPO group for letters of support. Randy also announced that he is retiring from SRJC. Ken Sebastiani is taking over his spot at the SRJC. Chief Bellach is taking over his role as secretary for the chief's group. Retirement party for Randy Collins is Friday after SRJC fire academy graduation at RR Brewing
- Cal Lewis- Has a presentation on drones if anyone is interested. Covers FAA regulations. If you want it, he will send it to you.
- Linda- Responded to a hazmat incident this morning. MC 412. Corrosive tanker truck that started out on fire. Ended up being a "strong bleach". Linda mentioned that they have hemp manufacturing going in. She stated that there are only components of the system that are listed, but not the whole systems. SRFD requires a 3RD party technical report (registered FPE) prior to approval. Scott Moon stated that there is a complete UL listed package on the horizon. Scott Moon stated they also require an annual technical report annually to ensure that they are maintaining the equipment as approved.
- Ruben- UL Flyer for a training for mass timber, energy storage system. Will send the flyer out to the group
- Kemplen- AARBF looking for additional donation. At this time, we will continue to support AARBF through a donation to the burn relay only.



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NEXT MEETING TIME/LOCATION:

Jan. 8, 2020	Tu Mole Madre 8465 Old Redwood Highway Ste 510 Windsor, CA Joint Chief's Mtg/Installation Luncheon	10:00	Jason Boaz jboaz@ci.healdsburg.ca.us (707) 838-1170
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MOTION TO ADJOURN: IAN HARDAGE, 2ND: JARED McDANIEL
ADJOURNMENT AT 1158HRS

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED BY D. GAMBONINI