

# Sonoma County Fire Districts' Association

## SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA

**Hosted by the President Frank Treanor via ZOOM**

August 27, 2020, at 1900Hrs.

-CALL MEETING TO ORDER at 7:08 PM

President Treanor called the meeting to order and thanked all for attending this meeting in this new format.

-SELF INTRODUCTIONS / PASS THE ROSTER / ZOOM Check In

President Treanor said thank you to all for attending and introduced the following members in ZOOM.

Name	District		Name	District
Bill Adams	Merrill, Arnone, Jones Law		Paul Barry	Cazadero
Bob Briare	SCFD		Martha Campbell	North Sonoma Coast
John Hamann	SCFD		Carol Giovannatto	Cloverdale
Ernie Loveless	Schell Vista		Sean Grinnell	Bodega Bay
Mike Nichols	Cazadero		Bill Norton	Sonoma Valley
Fred Peterson	North County		Gary So	SCFD
Freak Treanor	Sonoma County		Doug Williams	Retired
Jackie Gardner	North Sonoma Coast		Bonnie Plakos	North Sonoma Coast
Robert Taylor	Cloverdale		Damon Doss	Kenwood
Robert Stewart	North County		Joe Petersen	Gold Ridge

-APPROVE/AMEND MEETING AGENDA

President Treanor asked if anyone had any changes to the agenda. Director Loveless did asked that the election process be added for a reminder and to also add LAFCO.

- LAFCO:

Executive Officer Mark Bramfitt was introduced by President Treanor. Mr Bramfitt thanked those in attendance for the opportunity to speak tonight; he made the following report. The update for the next two meetings, our first meeting is next week on Wednesday at 2. On our agenda is a presentation by the FSWG regarding their proposals for what they see as a consensus view for SOI for all fire agencies. The presentation has been delayed since March. I have to say I am not certain it will be taking place but will reach out very soon to see if they are prepared. The commission is not making any changes to SOIs at that meeting. The October meeting, staff will provide an analysis of the 10-12 different proposals out there plus 4/5 request out there already. That meeting will feature maps to see what agencies are proposing, plus the analysis proposal with consideration of the six criteria the commission set up for SOI's. We are still under

way for the report MSR for North County. I have also been informed of a proposal from SCFD that will be an annexation of Forestville FPD and BBFPD as well. LAFCO Chair Ernie Loveless added Mr Bramfitt did a very good summary and also said that he has always thought the very difficult decision of who will go where will fall to LAFCO to decide.

President Treanor added that he is very glad to see the process start to get moving along again.

**-ELECTION PROCESS:**

President Treanor went over the election process and take feedback. Historically the VP has been sworn in as President after serving for two years as the VP. The bylaws in article four, regular members are the ones that vote. A regular member is defined as each district only gets one vote. Voting will occur during the October meeting and is due by a roll call vote. In the virtual meeting environment, if one member district cannot provide a voting member at the meeting I would give them the opportunity to send an email and I would give them a receipt and when there time to vote comes up, I would simply give their vote. Office is assumed on January first. The candidate for president is voted in (a confidence vote) and the two VP candidates Bill Norton from Sonoma Valley and Fred Peterson from North Sonoma County. I invited them both to provide a fact sheet/resume. Fred has been busy with grapes and fires, and since I already had Bill Norton's I opted to send it out and will follow suite with Fred as soon as he is able.

Fred thanked Bill for providing a great template.

President Treanor asked if all this was sufficient? No one disagreed.

Bonnie Plakos requested that everyone re-name themselves via the Zoom and told all how to.

**-LETTER TO BOS, REQUESTING FUNDING FROM PG&E PAYMENT:**

President Treanor explained the draft letter he sent out and thanked those that provided input. He further explained that it was not is intent to provide an itemized list of what the Supervisors should be paying for but to point out all the things we need money for and to not interfere with those working on their own projects like FSWG. A place holder if you will, for requests of PG&E funds.

Director Loveless complimented President Treanor's letter and said we need to keep pressure on the Board; and asked for an edit of the last paragraph, "We are very interested in meeting with you to help plan the funding". President Treanor also mentioned another recommended change from future consolidations to proposed consolidations. Thank you, anyone else? Director Fred Peterson said he agreed with Director Loveless. Joe Petersen added his appreciation for the letter and general agreement with previous statements. President Treanor said he will send the letter to the Sups.

**-LETTER CONCERNING HENRY ONE, requested by Chief Plakos.**

President Treanor introduced Chief Plakos' letter concerning Henry One (forwarded the letter via email). Chief Plakos made clear she was not suggesting the SCFDA write the same letter as she did. On the larger level it's a great topic to talk about and see if the SCFDA should support Henry One. H-1 is used more often for medical, rescue, and even firefighting, more so than it seems for LE activities. Many shared their positive experiences with Henry One. President Treanor did mention the tendency of the Sherriff to use H-1 as a budgetary bargaining chip. Discussion/debate ensued. Let us not specify PG&E money, make the sheriff fund it, he needs to find a way to fund it.

President Treanor asked for support to send the letter supporting Henry One. All were in favor.

-NEXT SPECIAL MEETING, if needed, SEPTEMBER 24, 2020, 1900 hours.

President Treanor asked if everyone liked the monthly zoom meeting format? All were in favor. He went on to say that so long as folks keep sending agenda items in and we have things to discuss, we will keep on doing this.

Director Fred Peterson added that a regional agenda item be added for regular updates for all of us. President Treanor agreed add it to the agenda.

President Treanor will send out a meeting reminder about 15 days before the meeting. Please RSVP before the night of the meeting.

President Treanor asked for closing comments. One question asked, LAFCO meeting reminders, please send out the agenda and how to attend. A) Go to Sonoma LAFCO, agendas are posted. First Wednesday of Each Month at 2pm (Sept 2, Oct 7, Dec 4).

-MOTION TO ADJOURN MEETING (19:56 hours)

Thank you all, you dedicated group that makes this all possible.

Director Joe Petersen-what a great group of people to work with-Those special district members!!!

*Minutes respectfully submitted by Sean Grinnell, SCFDA Secretary/Treasurer*

*Minutes Approved:* \_\_\_\_\_ *Date:* \_\_\_\_\_  
*SCFDA Board Secretary*