

Stanislaus County Fire Authority
Special Meeting Minutes
June 22, 2006

Chief Skiles called the meeting to order at 1305 hrs. The flag was saluted.

The following agency representatives were present:

Chief Les Alderson	Burbank Paradise Fire District
Chief Steve Barrett	CDF-SCU
Commander Brian Weber	City of Ceres
Chief Karl Curnow	Denair Fire District
Assistant Chief Henry Benavides	Keyes Fire District
Assistant Chief Ray Camagna	Hughson Fire District
Chief Jim Miguel	City of Modesto
Chief Kevin Blount	Mountain View Fire District
Chief Michael Wilkinson	City of Oakdale
Deputy Chief Rob Hoyer	Oakdale Rural Fire District
Chief Bill Kinnear	City of Patterson
Chief Dale Skiles	Salida Fire District
Chief Steve Mayotte	Stanislaus Consolidated Fire District
Chief Gary Hinshaw	Stanislaus County Fire Warden's Office
Assistant Chief Steve Williams	Turlock Rural Fire District
Assistant Chief John Barindelli	Westport Fire District
Director Bob Kimball	West Stanislaus Fire District
Chief Mike Passalacqua	Woodland Ave. Fire District

Also present were: Director Tom Burns, Salida Fire; Dennis Wister, Stanislaus County Public Works; Joe Mello, Stanislaus County Sheriff's Office; Ray Jackson and Mimi DeSimoni, Stanislaus County Fire Warden's Office; Buck Condit, Stanislaus Consolidated Fire District; and Jack Doering, Stanislaus County Counsel.

Public Comment: None

Agenda Items

A. Fire Investigation Services Proposal: Chief Skiles apologized on behalf of himself and the Clerk of the Board for missing the required 2/3 vote at the last meeting, as is specified in the Joint Powers Agreement. Chief Mayotte said that his offer stands as it was presented at the previous meeting. Chief Miguel noted that he had some answers to questions that he did not have at the previous meeting. His city manager has authorized a 60-day contract so there is no interruption of services on July 1, 2006. He has spoken to the individuals that will be providing the investigation services within his department. Bob Kimball questioned whether the City Council would approve the proposal. Chief Miguel assured him that with the blessing of the City Manager, it was certain that the council would.

Bob Kimball made a motion to accept the City of Modesto's contract proposal for fire investigation services as amended by Chief Miguel to include a 60 day agreement at the cost of one-twelfth (1/12) of the contracted amount per month.

Chief Kinnear seconded the motion.

Further discussion included the following questions and comments:

Chief Curnow asked about job opportunities for Stanislaus Consolidated's investigators. Chief Miguel stated that first he wanted to let everyone know that the rumors that his labor group will oppose this contract are false. He will make contact with the three investigators and discuss opportunities with them. Chief Mayotte said that none of the investigators would lose their jobs, nor would any other jobs be lost if these individuals stayed with Consolidated Fire.

Chief Miguel noted that he had verified with County Counsel that there was no conflict of interest with his voting on the contract. Therefore, since there is 2/3 required to approve the contract, he would vote.

With 18 agencies present, 12 votes were required for a 2/3 majority.

A roll call vote on the motion reflected the following:

Yes

Chief Alderson
Chief Barrett
Commander Weber
Chief Benavides
Assistant Chief Camagna
Chief Miguel
Chief Blount
Chief Wilkinson
Deputy Chief Hoyer
Chief Kinnear
Chief Skiles
Chief Hinshaw
Assistant Chief Williams
Assistant Chief Barindelli
Director Bob Kimball
Chief Passalacqua

No

Chief Curnow
Chief Mayotte

The motion was passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 1340 hrs on a motion by Assistant Chief Benavides, and a second by Chief Blount.

Mimi DeSimoni
Clerk of the Fire Authority