

Stanislaus County Fire Authority
Regular Meeting Minutes
October 1, 2009 – 9:30 a.m.
Following Fire Chief’s Association Meeting
Regional Fire Training Center – Modesto, CA

1. Pledge of Allegiance:

Chief Skiles called the meeting to order at 1045 hrs. The flag was saluted.

2. Roll Call:

The follow agency representatives were present:

Cal Fire SCU	Chief Barrett
City of Ceres	Chief Lillie
Keyes Fire	Chief Watt
City of Modesto	Chief Kraus
City of Oakdale	Chief Botto
Oakdale Fire District	Chief Winton
City of Patterson	Chief Kinnear
Salida Fire	Chief Skiles
Stanislaus Consolidated Fire	Chief Mayotte
Stanislaus County Fire Warden	Chief G. Hinshaw
City of Turlock	Chief Lohman
West Stanislaus Fire	Director Kimball
Woodland Ave. Fire	Chief Passalaqua

Also attending the meeting was: Alicia Hinshaw, Modesto Fire; Ray Jackson, Bill Houk, Ken Slamon, Mimi DeSimoni, Stanislaus County Fire Warden’s Office; Marilyn Smith MVEMSA

3. Public Comment:

- Chief Skiles commented on the timing of the meetings. The Chief’s Association meetings have been going over-time each month making the Fire Authority meeting late. It was suggested that since the Fire Authority meetings are bound by quorum and procedure, they be scheduled first. The group agreed that this may work better. It was also suggested that service provider reports be e-mailed with agenda so they may be reviewed in advance of the meeting.

4. Minutes:

Chief Hinshaw made a motion to accept the minutes, Chief Passalaqua seconded the motion. Motion was passed.

5. Staff Committee Reports: Due to the lengthy Fire Chief’s Association meeting, the contract service providers were excused to go back to work. Written reports were provided.

5.1 Management, Fiscal and Legislative Report-

5.2 Fire Investigations Report –

5.3 Fire Prevention Report –

5.4 Fire Communications Report –

5.5 Fire Training Report –

5.6 Special Operations Report – Bill Houk reported that the technical rescue group has met

again and discussed the possibility a regional USAR task force. He reported on the Stanislaus County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan, The Emergency Functions, and on suspended state mandates.

6. Agenda Items

6.1 Operational Area Coordinator Report- Report was held due to length of meeting

6.2 Annual Report - A draft of the 2008-2009 Annual Fire Authority Report was distributed for review at the September meeting. Chief Skiles asked for comments but received none. Chief Passalacqua made a motion to approve the 2008-2009 Annual Report; Director Kimball seconded the motion. Motion was passed unanimously.

Other Items:

- Chief Hinshaw noted that Commander Weber is out with some health issues; please keep him in your thoughts.
- Chief Hinshaw reported that his office has been advised by the State that Homeland Security grant money can only be used for maintenance during the year in which the equipment is purchased. This may present significant problems with some of the haz-mat equipment that has been purchased.

The meeting was adjourned at 1115

Respectfully Submitted,

M. DeSimoni
Stanislaus County Fire Warden's Office