



## LINDEN – PETERS FIRE DISTRICT

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### Board Members

President: John E. Plotz  
Vice-President: Thomas G. Watkins  
Secretary: David Frison  
Member: Paul Castillou Jr.  
Member: Kenneth “Kenny” Watkins III

### Minutes of Board Meeting Thursday, June 8, 2023

The meeting of the Linden–Peters Rural County Fire Protection District Board of Directors was called to order by President Jack Plotz at 7:00 PM, Members Present: Vice President Thomas G. Watkins, Board Secretary David Frison, Board Member Kenny Watkins III. Members Absent: Board Member Paul Castillou, Jr. L.P.F.D. on duty staff present: Captain Brandon Ruegsegger, Lieutenant James Goins, Lieutenant Rod Ruegsegger, Firefighter/Engineer Tyler Watson, Firefighter/Engineer Martin Garcia.

- (I.) Call to Order – 7:00 PM
- (II.) Roll Taken  
Meeting minutes were taken by Firefighter/Engineer Martin Garcia.
- (III.) Public Comment – None
- (IV.) Minutes:
  - A. Discussion & Possible Action re: Regular Board Meeting Minutes – May 2023.  
Board Minutes approved on motion by D. Frison and seconded by K. Watkins III.  
Motion passed with a vote of 4-0
- (V.) Board Committee Reports
  - A. Training Facility Committee Report – BM K. Watkins III advised the board that there was nothing to report concerning this project.
- (VI.) Financial Summary and Report
  - A. Monthly Financial, Current events summary for May 2023 - Presented by Captain Brandon Ruegsegger. Captain Ruegsegger provided an overview of the financials for the month of May 2023.
- (VII.) Consent Agenda:
  - A. Discussion & Possible Action re: Approval of the May 2023 Monthly Financial Reports and expenditures. A motion to approve the financial reports was made by K. Watkins III and seconded by J. Plotz. Motion passed with a vote of 4-0.
- (VIII.) Current Events Summaries, Reports, and/or Correspondence:  
Current Events for the Linden-Peters Fire District months of May 2023 was presented by Captain Brandon Ruegsegger.
  - A. Departmental Report-Captain Brandon Ruegsegger:  
Captain Brandon Ruegsegger provided an update on the events and meetings held for the month of May 2023, along with providing an overview of the calls and FIU report.

Captain Brandon Ruegsegger also provided the Shift, Training, Prevention, and Volunteer reports.

B. Union Report

Lieutenant Rod Ruegsegger gave an update about a meeting held with Board Vice President Thomas G. Watkins and Board Secretary Dave Frison on Monday 6/5/23 to discuss PEPRA changes to the MOU.

(IX.) Unfinished Business: None

(X.) New Business:

A. Discussion & Possible Action Re: FY 2023 – FY 2024 Preliminary Budget

A motion to adopt the FY 2023-FY 2024 Preliminary Budget was made by D. Frison. The motion was seconded by K. Watkins III. The motion passed with a vote of 4 – 0.

B. Discussion & Possible Action Re: Adopt the FY 2023 – FY 2024 Proposition 4 Appropriation Limit

A motion to adopt the FY 2023-FY 2024 Proposition 4 Appropriation Limit was made by K. Watkins III. The motion was seconded by J. Plotz. The motion passed with a vote of 4 – 0.

(XI.) Board Questions and Comments

No questions or comments.

(XII.) Closed Session –

At 7:27 pm, Board President John Plotz announced that the Board would enter into closed session to discuss the following items:

A. Section 54957.6: Conference with Labor Negotiators  
Agency Negotiator: Board Vice President Thomas G. Watkins

B. Report of actions taken in closed session.

The Board Returned to open session at 7:43 pm. Board President John Plotz announced that the following item was approved in closed session:

There was a need to update the labor agreement with the San Joaquin County Fire Fighters I.A.F.F. Local 1243 to ensure that the agreement adhered to CalPERS law regarding Holiday Pay. At the time of negotiations, the following items were updated: Holiday Pay, Uniform Allowance, and Medical Allowance.

In open session, a motion was made to approve the Agreement between the Linden-Peters Rural County Fire Protection District and the San Joaquin County Fire Fighters I.A.F.F Local 1243 dated July 1, 2023 by T. Watkins. The motion was seconded by D. Frison. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: (4) Board President John E. Plotz; Board Vice President Thomas G. Watkins;  
Board Secretary David Frison; Board Member Kenny Watkins III

NOES: ( )

ABSENT: (1) Board Member Paul Castillou Jr.

ABSTAIN: ( )

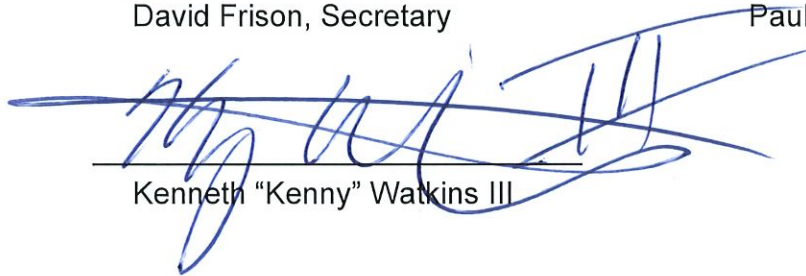
- (XIII.) Adjournment: Motion made by D. Frison to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by K. Watkins III. Being there was no further discussion the motion passed with a vote of 4-0. Motion carried and so ordered at 7:44 pm.

  
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John E. Plotz, President

  
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Thomas G. Watkins, Vice President

  
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David Frison, Secretary

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Absent  
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Paul Castillou, Jr., Member

  
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Kenneth "Kenny" Watkins III