



# LINDEN – PETERS FIRE DISTRICT

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Kirk Noffsinger, Fire Chief

## Board Members

President: Paul Castillou Jr.  
Vice-President: Kenneth “Kenny” Watkins III  
Secretary: David Frison  
Member: Ryan Hansen  
Member: Robert Dondero

## Minutes of Board Meeting

Thursday, August 8, 2024

The Regular meeting of the Linden–Peters Rural County Fire Protection District Board of Directors held in the Fire Station Classroom located at 17725 E Hwy 26, Linden, CA was called to order by President Paul Castillou, Jr. at 7:00 pm.

Members Present: President Paul Castillou, Jr., Vice President Kenny Watkins III, Member Ryan Hansen, and Member Robert Dondero.

Members Absent: Secretary David Frison

L.P.F.D. on duty staff present: Fire Chief Kirk Noffsinger, Captain Marcel Mojalli, FF/Eng Tyler Watson, FF/Eng Martin Garcia, and Administrative Assistant Lorena Coose.

(I.) Call to Order – 7:00 PM

(II.) Roll Taken

Meeting minutes were taken by Fire Chief Kirk Noffsinger and Administrative Assistant Lorena Coose.

(III.) Approval of the Agenda – A motion to approve the Agenda was made by K. Watkins III and seconded by R. Hansen.

The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: (4) P. Castillou Jr., K. Watkins III, R. Hansen, R. Dondero  
NOES: ( )  
ABSENT: (1) D. Frison  
ABSTAIN: ( )

(IV.) Minutes

A. Discussion & Possible Action re: Regular Board Meeting Minutes– July 11, 2024  
A motion to approve the July 11, 2024 Board meeting minutes was made by R. Dondero and seconded by R. Hansen.

The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: (4) P. Castillou Jr., K. Watkins III, R. Hansen, R. Dondero  
NOES: ( )  
ABSENT: (1) D. Frison  
ABSTAIN: ( )

(V.) Public Comment – None

(VI.) Board Committee Reports

- A. Training Facility Committee Report – President P. Castellou Jr. noted that as soon as the Woodbridge training facility is completed our project is next to begin.

**(VII.)** Financial Summary and Report

- A. Monthly Financial, Current events summary for July 2024 - Presented by Fire Chief Kirk Noffsinger. Fire Chief Kirk Noffsinger provided an overview of the financials for July 2024 noting that the Prop 172 ERAF Shift funding from San Joaquin County was received.

Vice President K. Watkins III noted that the Finance Committee will meet soon to go over the Quarterly Financials. Admin Lorena Coose noted that the Quarterly Finance Committee will meet once the CalPERS Actuarial Reports are published.

**(VIII.)** Consent Agenda:

- A. Discussion & Possible Action re: Approval of the July 2024 Monthly Financial Reports and expenditures. A motion to approve the financial reports was made by R. Hansen and seconded by R. Dondero.

The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: (4) P. Castellou Jr., K. Watkins III, R. Hansen, R. Dondero  
NOES: ( )  
ABSENT: (1) D. Frison  
ABSTAIN: ( )

**(IX.)** Current Events Summaries, Reports, and/or Correspondence:

- A. Departmental Report-Fire Chief Kirk Noffsinger:

Fire Chief Kirk Noffsinger provided an update on the events and meetings held for the month of July 2024 along with providing an overview of the calls, volunteer report, training, and FIU report. Captain Marcel Mojalli provided the Shift Reports. Chief Noffsinger noted that there was an active Strike Team on the Park Fire. Vice President K. Watkins III instructed staff to include a report in the next Board package regarding Strike Team response including the type of engine used. In response to K. Watkins III question regarding the administrative rate, Chief Noffsinger noted that the CalOES Admin rate was updated to .24 for FY 24-25. The administrative rate is set by the District's auditing firm Croce, Sanguinetti, and Vander Veen.

- B. Union Report – None

**(X.)** Unfinished Business:

- A. Discussion & Possible Action re: Ayera Camera on Rooftop

There was one public comment regarding the Ayera camera. Chief Noffsinger provided an update noting that the camera was taken down temporarily due to a cracked casing. The position of the camera was changed, so that some neighboring homes are not visible. Chief Noffsinger noted that the representative will be returning to fabricate a shield to try to further obstruct the view of neighboring homes.



- B. Discussion & Possible Action re: 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, 2024**

The Board directed that this item be on the Agenda for the next meeting as no agreement has been reached.

- C. Discussion & Possible Action re: Fire Chief Employment Contract

A motion to approve the Sixth Amendment to the Fire Chief's contract dated **July 1, 2013** was made by K. Watkins III and seconded by R. Dondero.

The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: (4) P. Castillou Jr., K. Watkins III, R. Hansen, R. Dondero  
NOES: ( )  
ABSENT: (1) D. Frison  
ABSTAIN: ( )

**(XI.)** New Business:

- A. Discussion & Possible Action re: Discussion & Possible Action re: Approval to Dispose Documents

A motion was made to approve the disposal of the listed documents by R. Hansen and seconded by R. Dondero.

The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: (4) P. Castillou Jr., K. Watkins III, R. Hansen, R. Dondero  
NOES: ( )  
ABSENT: (1) D. Frison  
ABSTAIN: ( )

**Box No. 18-006 FY 2014-2015**

Certificates of Deposit  
F&M Bank Transfers  
F&M Bank Statements –Monthly  
SJCO Reports  
Monthly Bills  
LCWD Fuel Reimbursements

**Box No. 18-008 FY 2016-2017**

Certificates of Deposit  
F&M Bank Transfers  
F&M Bank Statements –Monthly  
SJCO Reports  
Monthly Bills  
LCWD Fuel Reimbursements

**Box No. 18-007 FY 2015-2016**

Certificates of Deposit  
F&M Bank Transfers  
F&M Bank Statements –Monthly  
SJCO Reports  
Monthly Bills  
LCWD Fuel Reimbursements

**Not Boxed – Monthly Bills**

July 2000 – June 2001

B. Discussion & Possible Action re: Old Command Vehicle 2008 Ford Expedition

A motion was made to surplus the Old Command Vehicle 2008 Ford Expedition by R. Dondero and seconded by K. Watkins III.

The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: (4) P. Castellou Jr., K. Watkins III, R. Hansen, R. Dondero  
NOES: ( )  
ABSENT: (1) D. Frison  
ABSTAIN: ( )

Chief Noffsinger noted that there would be an update on the disposal of the Old Command Vehicle 2008 Ford Expedition and the Old Engine 54 at the next Board meeting.

**(XII.)** Board Questions and Comments – None

**(XIII.)** Closed Session –

At 7:32 p.m., President P. Castellou Jr. announced that the Board would enter into closed session to discuss the following items:

A. Conference with Labor Negotiators (§54957.6)

Agency Negotiator: Board President Paul Castellou, Jr.

Employee Organization: IAFF Local 1243

B. Conference with Labor Negotiators (§54957.6)

Unrepresented Employee: Fire Chief

C. Report of actions taken in closed session


At 8:31 p.m., President P. Castellou Jr. announced that the Board returned from closed session noting that no reportable action had been taken.

Chief Noffsinger submitted notice of his retirement effective December 30, 2024. The Board congratulated Chief Noffsinger on his retirement and directed staff to send the polices and procedure for recruitment of the Fire Chief position.

**(XIV.)** Adjournment: Motion made by K. Watkins III to adjourn the meeting seconded by R. Hansen. Being there was no further discussion, the motion passed by the following vote:

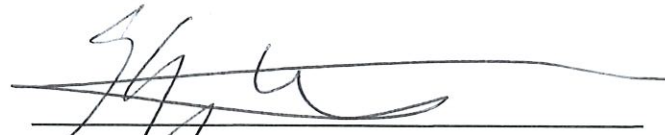
AYES: (4) P. Castellou Jr., K. Watkins III, R. Hansen, R. Dondero  
NOES: ( )  
ABSENT: (1) D. Frison  
ABSTAIN: ( )

Motion carried and so ordered at 8:34 pm.



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Paul Castillou, Jr., President



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Kenneth "Kenny" Watkins III, Vice President

Absent


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David Frison, Secretary



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Ryan Hansen, Member



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Robert Dondero, Member