



# ***GOLD RIDGE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT***

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*Serving the communities of Hessel, Twin Hills, Freestone, & Rural Sebastopol*  
*Fire Chief Shepley Schroth-Cary*

## **May 4, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes**

1) **Call to Order:** The Regular Meeting of the Gold Ridge Fire Protection District was held at 4500 Hessel Rd. Station 1. The meeting was called to order at 7pm with Director Gloeckner leading the Pledge of Allegiance.

2) **Roll Call of Directors:**

Robert Gloeckner	Dominic Carinalli
Steve Petrucci	Joe Petersen
Charlie Lachman	Christopher Tachouet

**Directors Absent:** Tonia Bello

3) **Public Input:** John Moise and Dan Fein spoke during public comment.

4) **PUBLIC HEARING FOR CONSIDERATION AND DETERMINATION OF THE SPECIAL TAX TO BE LEVIED ON EACH PARCEL OF REAL PROPERTY IN THE DISTRICT DURING FISCAL YEAR 2022/2023 PURSUANT TO VOTER-APPROVED DISTRICT ORDINANCE 2019/2020-01.** The public hearing was opened at 7:10pm. There was no comment from the public. Director Carinalli made a motion that no change be made to the amount levied on the special tax for fiscal year 2022/2023. The motion was seconded by Director Petersen and passed unanimously 6 ayes /1 absent /0 noes.

5) **The Public Hearing was closed, and the Regular Meeting resumed at 7:12pm.**

6) **Approval of the Minutes from Previous Meeting(s):** The minutes from the April 6, 2022 regular meeting were reviewed. A motion was made by Director Petrucci to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded by Director Tachouet and passed unanimously.

7) **Correspondence:** A letter of resignation was received from Director Bello. The board directed admin to proceed with the process of looking for a replacement to be appointed by the board. Time sensitive financing information and the Lease Purchase Agreement for the type 3 engine was received, admin requested to have it added to new business. Director Petersen made a motion to have the Lease Purchase Agreement for the Type 3 Engine added to New Business. The motion was seconded by Director Petrucci and passed unanimously.

8) **Approval of the Financial Reports:** The revenues and expenses for the month of April 2022 were reviewed and discussed. Director Petersen made a motion to approve the April 2022 Bank Accounts Register Report. The motion was seconded by Director Petrucci and passed unanimously.

9) **Reports:**

a) **Operations Report:**

- i) **Equipment Maintenance:** See attached report Assistant Chief Pforsich.
- ii) **Building Maintenance:** See attached report Assistant Chief George.
- iii) **Personnel:** Fire Chief Schroth-Cary reported that we have 3.0 staffing 90% of the time. He also reported that we expect to lose 3 paid staff in the coming month.

b) **Training:** See attached report from Battalion Chief DeGraffenreid.

c) **Fire Marshal's Report:** See attached report from Battalion Chief DeCarli.

d) **Firefighters Associations:** Tom Warren was present from the Gold Ridge Volunteer FF Assoc. He announced that they will be hosting their pancake breakfast on June 5<sup>th</sup> at station 2, it will be no cost, donation only this year. He also thanked BC DeGraffenreid for organizing the training they had at Cream's

e) **Explorer Post:** Tom Warren reported that the explorers were currently working on wildland training and that there are usually about 9 explorers in attendance.

f) **Consolidation Ad-Hoc:** Fire Chief Schroth-Cary reported that the Sonoma County Fire District's Association will be sending a letter of endorsement to LAFCO.

g) **Fire Chief's Report:** Fire Chief Schroth-Cary reported that FSWG isn't meeting regularly and that he is continuing with the LAFCO process.

10) **OLD BUSINESS: None**

11) **NEW BUSINESS:**

- a) **Resolution 21/22-03 Lease Purchase Agreement for a Type 3 Engine (*Action Item*)**  
Director Petersen made a motion to approve the Lease Purchase Agreement. The motion was seconded by Director Lachman and passed unanimously 6 ayes /1 absent / 0 noes.

12) **Good of the Order: None**

13) **Adjournment:** There being no further business, Director Lachman made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:01 PM. The motion was seconded by Director Tachouet and passed unanimously.

*Minutes respectfully submitted by Leslie McCormick*

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Date Approved