



# **GOLD RIDGE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT**

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## **February 14, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes**

- 1) **Call to Order:** The Regular Meeting of the Gold Ridge Fire Protection District was held at Station 81, 4500 Hessel Rd. Sebastopol, California. The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm with Director Carinalli leading the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 2) **Roll Call of Directors:**

Charlie Lachman	Stacey Gambonini
Steve Petrucci	Chris Tachouet
David Warburg	Dominic Carinalli

Directors Absent: Robert Gloeckner
- 3) **Public Input:** Justin Merrick, Boone Vale and Doug Hamilton addressed the board on items not appearing on the agenda.
- 4) **Approval of the Minutes from Previous Meeting(s):** The minutes from the January 10, 2024 Regular meeting were reviewed. A motion was made by Director Tachouet to approve the meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Director Warburg and passed unanimously.
- 5) **Correspondence:** Fire Chief Schroth-Cary reported that he received a formal RFP from the City of Sebastopol for fire protection services which is due by 2/26/24.
- 6) **Approval of the Financial Reports:** The revenues and expenses for the month of January 2024 were reviewed and discussed. Director Lachman made a motion to approve the January 2024 Bank Accounts Register Report. The motion was seconded by Director Petrucci and passed unanimously.
- 7) **Reports:** See attached report summary.
- 8) **OLD BUSINESS:** None
- 9) **NEW BUSINESS:**
  - a) Board Approval of Resolution 23/24-06 Requesting that the Wilmar Community Facilities District #4 Mello Roos Tax Area be dissolved by action of the Sonoma County Board of Supervisors. Director Tachouet made a motion to approve Resolution 23/24-06, it was seconded by Director Warburg and passed accordingly: 5 ayes/0 noes/1 abstention/1 absent.

- b) Board Approval of Resolution 23/24-07 Adopting the Pension Management Policy. Director Lachman made a motion to approve Resolution 23/24-06, it was seconded by Director Tachouet and passed accordingly: 6 ayes/0 noes/1 absent.
  - c) Division Chief Bray presented the 2023 Gold Ridge Fire Protection District Annual Report to the Board and took feedback for changes and additional information.
- 10) **GOOD OF THE ORDER:** Director Gambonini expressed concerns over communication with the volunteer stations and the need to firm up lease agreements. Chief Schroth-Cary reminded the group about the Polenta and Stew dinner held on January 24<sup>th</sup> at Station 81.
- 11) **ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business, Director Tachouet made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:05PM. The motion was seconded by Director Petrucci and passed unanimously.

Minutes approved as written – Motion/Second: Petrucci / Carinalli

Clerk of the Board: Karjun Date: 3/13/24

**JANUARY 2024 CONSOLIDATED MAR**

GENERAL INFORMATION	CALL VOLUME AND CALL TYPE BREAKDOWN	NOTABLE INCIDENTS	TURNOUT TIME, AVG	RESPONSE TIME, AVG	VOLUNTEER RESPONSE NUMBERS FOR THE MONTH	CURRENT CALL #s -VS- LAST YEAR
Control 2 has been repaired and is working well. South county with the exception of Rancho Adobe are using Control 9 until Control 4 repairs can be completed (hopefully by the end of the month). RFP process is moving forward for dispatch services, moving towards a public provider model. - SCFD/Medic ambulance contract started midnight Jan. 16. Fairly seamless transition	FIRES: 4 EMS: 81 MVA: 16 400 - Hazardous condition, other 7 412 - Gas leak (natural gas or LPG) 1 422 - Chemical spill or leak 1 424 - Carbon monoxide incident 2 444 - Power line down 4 445 - Arcing, shorted electrical equipment 1 550 - Public service assistance, other 7 552 - Police matter 1 553 - Public service 1 5531 - Tree Down 4 554 - Assist invalid 3 571 - Cover assignment, standby, move up 1 600 - Good intent call, other 1 600A - Accidental Medical Alarm Button Push 1 600F - False Medical Call 1 611 - Dispatched and cancelled en route 32 622 - No incident found on at dispatch address 7 651 - Smoke scare, odor of smoke 2 700 - False alarm or false call, other 2 733 - Smoke detector act. due to malfunction 2 735 - Alarm system sounded due to malfunction 1 743 - Smoke detector act., no fire - unintentional 1 745 - Alarm system act., no fire - unintentional 1 Total - 185	0:01:50 0:06:30 Total - 343				2023: 219 vs. 2022: 242

**APPARATUS**

GENERAL INFORMATION	APPARATUS MAINTENANCE - COMPLETED	OOS APPARATUS, DAYS OOS, & REPAIR TIMELINE
N/A	Routine maintenance	8182 currently out of service at Twin Oaks, likely back in a week

**EQUIPMENT**

GENERAL INFORMATION	PENDING ANNUAL EQUIPMENT TESTING	SCBA STATUS	OOS EQUIP.	EMS INVENTORY UPDATE	PPE INVENTORY / QUALITY CONCERNS - PORTABLE RADIO / PAGER INVENTORY CONCERNS	PENDING
SCBA hydro testing starts 1/29/24. Can only be performed on Mondays. Only 5 to cylinders test.	SCBA cylinder hydro (25) February. Gas monitor calibration, in house (every 90 days)	Next year hydro testing numbers (40) - 1 SCBA out for repair from St. 82	9481.5 gas Monitor, 1 day, 2 weeks, awaiting sensor.	Large order made, standard supply/expired replacement	Budget vs need. It will be a tight stretch at 3/4 of the allotted budget. All legacy Gold PPE expires over the next 2 years. We would like to remove it from the warehouse as they are unnecessary. Are there programs in need? explorers, other agencies? - 5 pagers left in stock	N/A

**FACILITIES**

GENERAL INFORMATION	FACILITY MAINTENANCE - COMPLETED	FACILITY MAINTENANCE - NEEDED
Working with PG&E to have gas meter removed from rental next to Station 81. Contracting with environmental consultant to conduct asbestos testing to prepare for demolition. Cell tower contractors worked on soils testing for expansion.	Sin 97 kitchen complete	Roof leaks at 97 and 86. Inspection repair/scheduled

**PERSONNEL**

GENERAL INFORMATION	INTERN UPDATE	% OF 3-PERSON STAFFING
Hired/Promoted 8 Captains and 1 Engineer. Hosted 4-Day onboarding training the week of Jan. 16. - Paid personnel Badge pinning held at Hessel, very well attended.	5 active firefighter-interns moving along. Nate and Alec are at their 12-month test in Feb. 3 new interns will start on Feb. 8th. We will have 6 current and active interns as of February, and one on LOA	80 %

**TRAINING**

GENERAL INFORMATION	NOTABLE REPORT FROM MONTHLY MEETINGS	LAST MO. TRAINING HOURS	DRILL NIGHT ATTEND. #s BY STATION																																								
January Training Report, Multi company training with Sonoma County Fire, Rancho Adobe and Rohnert Park Fire. Traffic Incident Management Training and roadway safety training. Company Officer Training on new Size up and report on conditions process.	Training Division is working with county neighbors to develop a calendar for outside CSFT certification courses.	<table border="1"> <tr> <th>Station</th> <th>Hours</th> </tr> <tr> <td>43</td> <td>154</td> </tr> <tr> <td>55</td> <td>70</td> </tr> <tr> <td>81</td> <td>51</td> </tr> <tr> <td>82</td> <td>89</td> </tr> <tr> <td>86</td> <td>36</td> </tr> <tr> <td>87</td> <td>102</td> </tr> <tr> <td>94</td> <td>946</td> </tr> <tr> <td>96</td> <td>164</td> </tr> <tr> <td>97</td> <td>157</td> </tr> </table>	Station	Hours	43	154	55	70	81	51	82	89	86	36	87	102	94	946	96	164	97	157	<table border="1"> <tr> <th>Station</th> <th>Members</th> </tr> <tr> <td>43</td> <td>26</td> </tr> <tr> <td>55</td> <td>16</td> </tr> <tr> <td>81</td> <td>3</td> </tr> <tr> <td>82</td> <td>10</td> </tr> <tr> <td>86</td> <td>5</td> </tr> <tr> <td>87</td> <td>12</td> </tr> <tr> <td>94</td> <td>46</td> </tr> <tr> <td>96</td> <td>18</td> </tr> <tr> <td>97</td> <td>25</td> </tr> </table>	Station	Members	43	26	55	16	81	3	82	10	86	5	87	12	94	46	96	18	97	25
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<b>FIRE MARSHAL'S REPORT</b>			
<b>GENERAL INFORMATION</b>	<b>BLD'G INSP/PRE-F IRE PLANS COMP'D</b>	<b>DSI/WEED ABATE COMPLET ED</b>	<b>ADDRESS SIGNAGE UPDATE</b>
Entered into an agreement with the County of Sonoma Fire Prevention Division to conduct mandatory inspections in the fire district starting in March. No payment for the remainder of the fiscal year. Services exchange (assist with PPE and fit testing) to cover costs. We will re-evaluate costs before the start of the fiscal.			4
			<b>PUB ED COMPLETED &amp; UPCOMING</b>
			4 events attended primarily involving community defensible space.

<b>FIREFIGHTER ASSOCIATIONS</b>	
<b>NOTABLE REPORT FROM MONTHLY MEETINGS</b>	<b>ASSOCIATION UPDATE(S), INCLUDING EVENTS OR ACTIVITIES</b>
N/A	The Gold Ridge Professional Firefighters Association remains engaged in the campaign effort for Measure 7. Members have been active in posting signs and educating prospective voters. The Association will be distributing door hangers to support the measure in the coming week.

<b>EXPLORERS' POS</b>	
<b>GENERAL INFORMATION</b>	<b>EXPLORER POST UPDATE, EVENTS OR ACTIVITIES</b>
For January the Gold Ridge Explorer Post has welcomed one new cadet. Boy Scout paper work has been finalized and updated online.	N/A

<b>FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT</b>		
<b>GENERAL INFORMATION</b>	<b>NOTABLE REPORT</b>	<b>LAFCO / NBF UPDATE</b>
N/A	N/A	N/A
		<b>NOTABLE UPCOMING DATES</b>
		N/A

Given in person during the Board of Director's Meeting