

Escalon Consolidated Fire
Protection District

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Board of Directors

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Rick Mello, Fire Chief

**ESCALON CONSOLIDATED FIRE
PROTECTION DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MINUTES
MARCH 2023**

I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

The monthly Board of Directors meeting of the Escalon Consolidated Fire Protection District was called to order by Director Joe Camara at 4:03 p.m. on March 9, 2023.

II. ROLL CALL

Directors present: Joe Camara, Mickey Schilber, Jason Koops, and Zach Hogan.
Directors Absent: Billy Mekelburg

Others present Fire Chief Rick Mello

III. PUBLIC COMMENT

A. No public comment.

IV. MINUTES

Minutes for the meeting on February 9, 2023, were approved on a motion by Director Koops and a second by Director Mekelburg. Director Schilber abstained.
3-AYES 0-NAYES 1-ABSENT

V. BILLS

February bills in the amount of \$24,460.96 were approved to be paid on a motion by Director Schilber and a second by Director Koops.
4-AYES 0-NAYES 1-ABSENT

VI. COMMUNICATIONS

A. LAFCO Agenda and Information.

VII. FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT - March 2023

A. Status of Fire Department

- a. 79 calls for the month and 177 for 2023.

B. Training Division and Reserve/Volunteer Program

- a. February Drills

2-7-2023	EMT Skills	(8 participants)
2-15-2023	Technical Rescue	(10 participants)
2-23-2023	Forcible Entry	(7 participants)
- b. We interviewed 8 possible candidates. We have offered 6 of them positions as reserves. They are currently going through their background and medicals.
- c. The new 24-hour program is in its second trial month and seems to be working out. Hours covered has increased since starting the program.
- d. New uniform shirt program is underway. Engineer Burr has been checking with several vendors to get the best price and quality for the district.

C. Prevention

Monthly Report: One new business, Taco Truck at Main and 4th Street. One business relocation, Patched Pumpkin relocated to Hwy 120 and San Joaquin.

D. Apparatus and Equipment

- a. Chief Expedition went to Tom Hillier Ford for service. Battery was replaced under warranty.
- b. E 1-1 is currently at Burn's Truck and Trailer awaiting a radiator and transmission service.
- c. Bauer Compressor was ordered and has a tentative delivery and installation date set for the middle of April.
- d. MSA SCBA's were ordered with no delivery date scheduled.

E. Buildings and Grounds

- a. Upstairs bathroom project is underway.
- b. There have been no major issues found following the recent severe weather. Ayera has conducted a site inspection of the tower system.

F. San Joaquin County Fire Chief's Association

- a. Meeting 3-1-23, general business.

G. San Joaquin County Radio Users Group

- a. Meeting 2-15-23, meeting canceled.

H. Miscellaneous

- a. The Appreciation Dinner is returning on Friday, April 28th.
- b. We are continuing the trial period for the new Reserve / Volunteer shift pay system.
- c. Starbuck's will be hosting "coffee with a firefighter" on Saturday, March 25 from 10 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.
- d. On Wednesday, March 8, while responding to an incident E 1-2 struck the apparatus bay door, causing major damage to the door. Cromwell & Ney started a claim with VFIS and emergency repairs have been made. It appears that no damage was done to the Engine.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

A. Status of Board Member Online Ethics & Harassment

B. Discuss Dates for Board Public Law Board Governance Training.

- a. Week of April 24th
- b. Lunch meeting
- c. Chief will work on scheduling with Attorney.

C. Form 700

- a. Requested Annual Form 700
- b. Due April 2023

IX. NEW BUSINESS

A. No New Business

X. ACCOUNCEMENTS OF FUTURE BOARD MEETINGS

Regular Board meetings are held the second Thursday of every month at 4:00 p.m. located at 1531 1st Street, Escalon, California. The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors will be held on April 13, 2023.

XI. CLOSED SESSION

A. No Closed Session

XII. RECONVENE OPEN SESSION

XIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS FOLLOWING CLOSED SESSION

A. No reportable action taken during the closing session.

XIV. ADJOURN

XV. CERTIFICATION

Date: April _____, 2023


By: Joe Camara, Board Chairperson

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TECHNOLOGIES, INC.

Tower Inspection Form

Site: Escalon Fire

Inspector: Vance Haskin

Date: 3/7/23

Status: Passed

Inspection Remarks:

All anchor points are solid, seated properly, sealed, and free of rust or corrosion. All anchor points are oriented correctly and have no play or movement.

Guy wire tension is even and to spec across all guy wires. All guy wires are free from corrosion, rust, frays, cracks, or damage. All dead-end grips are fully wrapped around guy wires. All dead-end grips are free from damage and have a secure hold on all guy wires.

Tower is level and free from any twist. All hardware is in place and tightened to spec. All connecting hardware is in place. All bolts are free from wear and all nuts, washers, lock washers, and additional hardware are present and tightened to spec.

Roof area is solid and free from any cracks or penetrations. Roof is capable of sustaining tower, no issues present.

No additional gear has been added since the last inspection.

Site passed inspection.