Escalon Consolidated Fire Protection District

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Board of Directors

Laura Catrina, Board Chairperson Joe Camara, Vice Chairperson Mikey Schilber, Secretary Billy Mekelburg, Director Vacant, Director

Rick Mello, Fire Chief

Post Date: December 5, 2022

Board of Directors Meeting 1531 Ist Street, Escalon, CA 95320 December 8, 2022, at 12 P.M.

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

- I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER
- II. SWEAR IN JASON KOOPS APPOINTED DIRECTOR
 ZACH HOGAN ELECTED DIRECTOR
 MICKEY SCHILBER ELECTED DIRECTOR
 JOE CAMARA ELECTED DIRECTOR
- III. ROLL CALL

Laura Catrina, Board Chairperson Joe Camara, Vice Chairperson Mickey Schilber, Secretary Billy Mekelburg, Director Jason Koops, Director

Incoming Board
Joe Camara
Mickey Schilber
Billy Mekelburg
Jason Koops
Zach Hogan

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT

This time is provided for the public to address the Board of Directors on items not on the Agenda which are within the jurisdiction of the Board and are offered for the good of the District. Public comments regarding items on the Agenda should be given at the time of the item. Public comments are limited to 5 minutes per person.

V. MINUTES

Approval of the minutes from the Regular Board Meeting on November 10, 2022.

VI. BILLS

Bills for the month of November in the amount of \$11,607.27.

VII. COMMUNICATIONS

VIII. FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

IX. OLD BUSINESS

A. No Old business

X. NEW BUSINESS

A. Election of Officers for 2023

Presented by:

Requested Action / Purpose:

Attachments:

B. Consider transferring \$11,921.00 to Professional Services from COVID relief funds.

Presented by: Fire Chief, Rick Mello

Requested Action / Purpose:

Attachments:

C. <u>Consider extending the seasonal firefighter program through January 31, 2023, on a reduced basis utilizing COVID relief funds.</u>

Presented by: Fire Chief, Rick Mello

Requested Action / Purpose:

Attachments:

D. Discuss Board member training Ethics / Public Law / Sexual Harassment

Presented by: Fire Chief, Rick Mello

Requested Action / Purpose:

Attachments:

XI. ACCOUNCEMENTS OF FUTURE BOARD MEETINGS

Regular Board meetings are held the second Thursday of every month at 4:00 p.m. located at 1531 lst Street, Escalon, California. The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors is January 12, 2023.

XII. CLOSED SESSION

A. No Closed Session

XIII. RECONVENE OPEN SESSION

COVID-19 Guidelines

Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, the following guidelines will be in effect during this meeting:

Please do not attend if you are sick or have a fever. Hand sanitizer and face coverings are available upon request.

XIV. ANNOUNCEMENTS FOLLOWING CLOSED SESSION

The Board President, Fire Chief or District Counsel will notify the public regarding any reportable action taken during closed session.

XV. ADJOURN

XVI. CERTIFICATION

I, Laura Catrina, Board Chairperson for the Escalon Consolidated Fire Protection District, do hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing Agenda was posted at the District Office, 1749 Coley Avenue, Escalon, California 95320 at least 72 hours prior to the time of this Meeting.

Date: December 5, 2022

By: Laura Catrina, Board Chairperson

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ESCALON CONSOLIDATED FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MINUTES NOVEMBER 2022

I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

The monthly Board of Directors meeting of the Escalon Consolidated Fire Protection District was called to order by Director Laura Catrina at 4:00 p.m. on November 10, 2022.

II. ROLL CALL

Directors present: Laura Catrina, Joe Camara, Mickey Schilber, and Billy Mekelburg.

Others present Fire Chief Rick Mello, Administrative Assistant Katy House, Battalion Chief Moe Silva, Volunteer Firefighter Kaden Christensen, Reserve Firefighter Colt Parshall, Reserve Firefighter Nathan Rodriguez. Jason Koops, and Steven Gregg.

III. PUBLIC COMMENT

A. No public comment.

IV. MINUTES

Minutes for the meeting on October 13, 2022, were approved on a motion by Director Schilber and a second by Director Mekelburg. 4-AYES 0-NAYES 0-ABSENT

V. BILLS

October bills in the amount of \$27,433.96 were approved to be paid on a motion by Director Schilber and a second by Director Camara.
4-AYES 0-NAYES 0-ABSENT

VI. COMMUNICATIONS

A. Thank you card from Hogan Manufacturing.

VII. FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT - NOVEMBER 2022

A. Status of Fire Department

a. 116 calls for the month and 973 for 2022.

B. Training Division and Reserve/Volunteer Program

a. October Drills

10-4-2022	SCBA and Extrication Equipment Review	(9 participants)
10-12-2022	Drafting Ops and Body Armor Training	(9 participants)
10-20-2022	Hazardous Materials Review	(5 participants)

b. No program updates

C. Prevention

Fire prevention report. October was Fire Prevention month and the EFD was present at Van Allen and Dent Elementary. We spoke of fire safety and prevention to 1000 students. The children were presented with a swag bag to enjoy at home.

No new business to mention. A permit request was submitted to the City for new construction on McHenry and Countrywood Ln. We have reviewed the initial request and approved the project.

D. Apparatus and Equipment

- a. E 1-1 went to Burn's for a check engine light.
- b. Annual service and repairs were done to the Bauer compressor.
- c. Utility Expedition was smogged at McDowell's and smog check program was submitted to B.A.R.
- d. Annual ladder testing was done by Failsafe Ladder Testing.
- e. Repairs to the Plymovent exhaust recover system were done in-house.
- f. New battery was installed in-house on Battalion Chief PU.

E. Buildings and Grounds

a. New flooring was installed in the kitchen and battalion chief's dorm.

F. San Joaquin County Fire Chief's Association

a. Meeting 11-2-22, general business.

G. San Joaquin County Radio Users Group

a. Meeting 10-19-22, general business.

H. Miscellaneous

- a. The nine agencies involved in the regional Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) are seeking the agency grant matches via American Recovery Plan Act (ARPA) funds from San Joaquin County.
- b. Our SCBA grant via the Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) remains unfunded. The deadline was extended to November 4, 2022, but nothing has been awarded since September 28, 2022. We have not been notified by FEMA of being awarded, so we are proceeding to another funding source.
- c. We hope to receive the ten mobile radios via the Homeland Security Grant from San Joaquin County as well/ This grant comes with zero cost share. At this point we may not see the radios until 2023.

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- d. We are requesting American Recover Plan Act (ARPA) funding from San Joaquin County for the following projects: SCBA's and spare cylinders at \$250,000.00; SCBA Compressor/Filling Station at \$80,000.00; and Station 1 Solar Power Upgrade at \$111,000.00. Our total request is for \$440,000.00. Supervisor Winn announced the funding opportunity for those agencies not made aware of previous funding that was available.
- e. We have submitted a request for body armor and ballistic helmets via the San Joaquin County Homeland Security Grant program.
- f. We can start considering bringing back the Appreciation Dinner for 2023. We have not had the annual dinner since the 2020 Pandemic.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

A. No Old Business

IX. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Appoint Director to fill vacancy
 - a. Board asked questions to each potential Board member.
 - b. Board recessed at 4:33 p.m.
 - c. Board returned at 4:38 p.m.
 - d. Jason Koops was appointed as Director on a motion by Director Schilber and a second by Director Mekelburg.
 4-AYES 0-NAYES 0-ABSENT

B. Resolution Mitigation Rates - Fire Recovery

- a. Approved by roll call vote 4-AYES 0-NAYES 0-ABSENT
- C. Life Insurance
 - a. Fire Chief Rick Mello requested this agenda item to be removed.

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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: December	, 2022		
		Ву:	Board Chairperson

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Escalon Consolidated Fire Protection District Profit & Loss Detail

November 2022

Type	Date	Name	Memo	Original Amou	Paid Amo	Balance
din Ex	Ordinary Income/Expense Expense Communications Il 11/02/2022 Veriz	xpense ns Verizon Wireless	MONTHLY SERVICE	79.41	79.41	79.41
	Total Communications	ications			79.41	79.41
	Firefighter Safety Gear 11/02/2022 L.N. Cu	refighter Safety Gear 11/02/2022 L.N. Curtis and Sons	11M FIREFIGHTING BOOTS	213.33	213.33	213.33
•	Total Firefighter Safety Gear	r Safety Gear			213.33	213.33
	Fuel 11/02/2022	Valley Pacific Petroleum	FUEL	761.12	761.12	761.12
	Total Fuel				761.12	761.12
-	Health Insurance 11/02/2022 S	nce Sun Life Financial	NOVEMBER 2022	151.24	151.24	151.24
. • 8	Total Health Insurance	surance			151.24	151.24
Bill Check Check Check	Household 11/02/2022 11/13/2022 11/15/2022 11/16/2022	Alhambra Starbucks 1-800-FLOWERS The Home Depot	MONTHLY SERVICE COFFEE VELASCO FAMILY CHRISTMAS LIGHTS	99.29 20.00 97.79 272.68	99.29 20.00 97.79 272.68	99.29 119.29 217.08 489.76
- 	Total Household	Pl			489.76	489.76
	Maintenance 11/02/2022 B 11/02/2022 Si 11/02/2022 Si 11/02/2022 Si 11/02/2022 Si 11/02/2022 Co 11/02/2022 Co Total Maintenance	Burns Truck & Trailer O'Reilly Automotive, Inc. Strand Ace Hardware Inc. Strand Ace Hardware Inc. Strand Ace Hardware Inc. O'Reilly Automotive, Inc. L.N. Curtis and Sons unce	E 1-1 REPAIR/REPLACE; ENGINE HARNESS; CLAMP; HOSE A/ BATTERY HOOK TOOL FLIPUP; POCKET HOSE CHAINSAW REPAIR VALVE NEEDLE CH 1-1 WIPER BLADE HONEYWELL SCBA FLOW TESTING	3,490.01 171.84 64.62 355.24 12.92 87.50 2,880.00	3,490.01 171.84 64.62 355.24 12.92 65.50 2,880.00	3,490.01 3,661.85 3,726.47 4,081.71 4,094.63 4,160.13 7,040.13
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12/05/22 Cash Basis	,2 asis		Profit & Loss Detail November 2022			
Type	Date	Name	Мето	Original Amou	Paid Amo	Balance
Bill		Maintenance Structure & Grounds 11/02/2022 Strand Ace Hardware Inc. 11/02/2022 Strand Ace Hardware Inc.	MOUSE TRAPS; FOGGER; BOARD STUDS; FASTENERS SPRAY PAINT; FROG TAPE	47.47	47.47	47.47
Bill Check	11/02/2022 11/22/2022	True Value Hardware Amazon	HAMMER; SS CONNECT ELECTROSTATIC SPRAYER	36.94 96.96	36.94	241.62
	Total Maintenaı	Total Maintenance Structure & Grounds			241.62	241.62
Bill Check	Office Expenses 11/02/2022 11/14/2022	s Lynn Card Company Amazon	ANNUAL CHRISTMAS CARDS CLOCK	109.00	109.00	109.00
	Total Office Expenses	penses			131.62	131.62
Bill	Professional Services 11/02/2022 Hend	srvices Henderson Hatfield	GENERAL BUSINESS MATTERS	30.09	30.09	30.09
	Total Professional Services	nal Services			30.09	30.09
Bill	Small Tools & Equipment 11/02/2022 Life-Assis	Equipment Life-Assist	2 - BLACK TOURNIQUET; 1 - BLUE TRAINER TOURNIQUET	118.56	118.56	118.56
Check Check	11/03/2022 11/09/2022	Amazon Rite-Aid	SHOP LIGHT FOR THE APP BAY CAGE 3 - ASPRIN FOR MED BAGS	8.05	8.05	184.78
Check Check	11/10/2022 11/11/2022	Amazon Allied 100, LLC	2 - 4PCS HEAVY DUTY SANDBAG BATTERY FOR SUCTION	30.06	30.06	351.69
Check Check Check	11/15/2022 11/15/2022 11/28/2022	Amazon Amazon Amazon	GRINDER TOOL W/ CASE LEAF BLOWER 2 - SAM SPLINT 4.25"X36" FLAT, ORANGE	212.20 235.92 32.30	212.20 235.92 32.30	799.81 832.11
		Total Small Tools & Equipment			832.11	832.11
Bill	Training & Transportation 11/01/2022 Kroloff	ansportation Kroloff	EMPLOYEE TRAINING	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
	Total Training	Total Training & Transportation			1,000.00	1,000.00
Bill	Utilites 11/02/2022 11/02/2022	Gilton Solid Waste City of Escalon	MONTHLY SERVICE MONTHLY SERVICE	120.66 192.18	120.66	120.66 312.84

Escalon Consolidated Fire Protection District Profit & Loss Detail November 2022
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12/05/22 Cash Basis

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Original Amou Paid Amo Balance	324.00 324.00 636.84	636.84 636.84	11,607.27	-11,607.27 -11,607.27		109.13 109.13 109.13	109.13	109.13	109.13	-11,498.14 -11,498.14
Memo	WEBSITE YEARLY PREMIUM PLAN									
Type Date Name	11/24/2022 WIX.COM	Total Utilites	Total Expense	Net Ordinary Income	Other Income/Expense Other Income	Interest Credit Deposit 11/30/2022 Interest	Total Interest Credit	Total Other Income	Net Other Income	Net Income

Escalon Consolidated Fire Protection District Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual July through November 2022

	Jul - Nov 22	Budget	\$ Over Budget	% of Budget
Ordinary Income/Expense Income				
Special District COVID-19 Relie	0.00	621,171.50	-621,171.50	0.0%
Total Income	0.00	621,171.50	-621,171.50	0.0%
Expense			2.22	0.00/
Auditor Direct Assessment	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%
Cafeteria Plan Medical	0.00	7,200.00	-7,200.00	0.0%
Capital Expense	39,040.27	142,627.00	-103,586.73	27.4% 35.5%
Communications	13,841.92	39,000.00	-25,158.08	0.0%
Contingencies	0.00	70,000.00	-70,000.00	0.076
Employee Expenses	0.00	933,550.00	-933,550.00	0.0%
Fire Prevention	854.23	3,000.00	-2,145.77	28.5%
Firefighter Safety Gear	3,524.62	15,000.00	-11,475.38	23.5%
Fuel	9,372.23	15,000.00	-5,627.77	62.5%
Health Insurance	46,312.89	135,000.00	-88,687.11	34.3%
Household	12,777.27	26,000.00	-13,222.73	49.1%
Insurance Casualty	25,851.00	25,000.00	851.00	103.4%
Maintenance	26,295.02	27,000.00	-704.98	97.4%
Maintenance Structure & Grounds	654.88	8,000.00	-7,345.12	8.2%
Medi-Care	0.00	9,790.00	-9,790.00	0.0%
Memberships	5,883.25	2,200.00	3,683.25	267.4%
Miscellaneous Expense	0.00	2,000.00	-2,000.00	0.0%
New Equipment	2,005.73	7,500.00	-5,494.27	26.7%
Office Expenses	2,768.86	10,000.00	-7,231.14	27.7%
Overtime	0.00	61,000.00	-61,000.00	0.0%
Professional Services	15,196.04	25,000.00	-9,803.96	60.8%
Publications and Legal Notices	0.00	500.00	-500.00	0.0%
Retirement	32,661.36	64,500.00	-31,838.64	50.6%
Salaries	371,322.95	614,000.00	-242,677.05	60.5%
Small Tools & Equipment	1,217.07	7,000.00	-5,782.93	17.4%
Social Security (FICA)	0.00	41,850.00	-41,850.00	0.0%
Special Accounting Reports	2,235.27	2,000.00	235.27	111.8%
Special Departmental Expenses	0.00	6,000.00	-6,000.00	0.0%
Structure Improvements	555.60	5,000.00	-4,444.40	11.1%
Tax Administration Charges	0.00	18,500.00	-18,500.00	0.0%
Taxes & Assessments	0.00	1,000.00	-1,000.00	0.0%
Training & Transportation	5,528.32	12,000.00	-6,471.68	46.1% 0.0%
Unemployment Comp EDD	0.00	10,000.00 16,000.00	-10,000.00 -5,608.27	64.9%
Utilites	10,391.73 17,714.00	68,000.00	-50,286.00	26.1%
Workers Compensation Insurance	17,714.00	00,000.00	-50,200.00	
Total Expense	646,004.51	2,430,217.00	-1,784,212.49	26.6%
Net Ordinary Income	-646,004.51		1,163,040.99	35.7%
Net Income	-646,004.51	-1,809,045.50	1,163,040.99	35.7%

Chief's Report December 2022

Emergency Responses

November 2022

•	Medical Aid	64
•	Public Service Assist	3
•	Vehicle Accidents	17
•	Vegetation Fires	1
•	Structure Fires	5
•	Vehicle Fires	3
•	Other Incidents	16

o Total For Month: 109 Total Nov 21: 115

o Total for 2022: 1,082 Total for 2021: 1,093

C-Shift Monthly Report Training Division and Reserve/Volunteer Program

November Drills

11-1-2022	Hoselays and Nozzle Control	(8 participants)
11-9-2022	EMS Skills Review	(8 participants)
11-17-2022	Rescue Review (Airbags)	(7 participants)

We are scheduling interviews for potential Reserves/Volunteers in January

The toy drive has been scheduled and underway. The sign-ups will take place on December 17th and the toys will be distributed on December 23rd.

Engineer Burr and I held a Fire Investigation Unit meeting and we had three of our Reserve/Volunteers attend. They all have been through the State Fire Marshall Investigation series.

Prevention

Smoke detector battery replacement program got underway in November. Program is for the elderly and disabled. Residents can call the fire department for assistance.

Business inspections continues with several businesses in compliance. Plans for the McDonalds have been approved. The site allows for ample parking and two drive through lanes.

Emergency response plans for the local schools have been reviewed and approved. No notable changes from the previous year.

Apparatus and Equipment

- Annual pump testing was completed on site by Burton's Fire.
- WT 1-1 went to Escalon Tire for a flat repair.
- Heater on Battalion pickup was repaired at Tom Hillier Ford.
- Fall detailing was completed by all shifts.

Buildings and Grounds

• Fall cleaning was completed by all shifts.

San Joaquin County Fire Chief's Association

• Meeting 12-7-22, general business.

San Joaquin County Radio Users Group

Meeting 11-23-22, meeting canceled due to Thanksgiving.

Miscellaneous

- The Annual Christmas Toy Drive is well underway. We received two \$ 500.00 donations.
- The toy distribution will take place on December 23.
- The Annual Christmas Tree pickup will be on Saturday, January 7, 2023.
- Funeral services for Retired Volunteer Firefighter Angelo Blanco will be held on Tuesday, December 13, 2022, at St. Patrick's Catholic Church as follows: Viewing from 9:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m., Recitation of the Rosary at 10:00 a.m., Mass of Christian Burial at 10:30 a.m., American Legion Service at 12:00 p.m. at St. John's Cemetery.
- ARPA funding will go before the Board of Supervisors on Tuesday, December 13.
- The county chiefs request for body armor and ballistic helmets via the homeland security grant was denied.