



**South Lake County Fire Protection District**  
— in cooperation with —  
**California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection**

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**BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**  
**Tuesday, February 24, 2026, at 530 p.m. (adjourned from February 17, 2026)**  
**Located at the Middletown Fire Station Board Room,**  
**21095 Highway 175, Middletown, CA 95461**

This regular meeting is for the purpose of discussing the following items:

1. President Cline called meeting to order at 5:40 p.m.
2. President Cline led the Pledge of Allegiance
3. Present: Directors Madelyn Martinelli, Rob Bostock Vice President Jim Comisky and President Stephanie Cline. Also, present Chief Matt Ryan, Chief Paul Duncan, and Office Tech Karin Collett.
4. **MARTINELLI / BOSTOCK MOTION** to approve agenda **AYES:** Cline, Martinelli, Comisky and Bostock **ABSENT:** Stephenson **NOES:** none **MOTION CARRIED**
5. Citizens' Input: Any person may speak for three (3) minutes about any subject of concern provided it is within the jurisdiction of the Board of Directors and is not already on today's agenda. The total period is not to exceed fifteen (15) minutes, unless extended at the discretion of the Board. None
6. Communications:
  - 6.a. Fire Sirens – *nothing to report*
  - 6.b. Fire Safe Council – *see attached*
  - 6.c. Volunteer Association - *Todd is present, open house April 25<sup>th</sup>, near future June 27 Gary Bevin and Steven Gaas down with the new recruits doing amazing. 5 south lake recruits doing great. EMT program is going outstanding. Ryan announced Robert Lanning was just hired as a HFEO for the state.*
  - 6.d. Chief's Report – *nothing to add see attached*
  - 6.e. Finance Report -*nothing to add see attached*
  - 6.f. Directors' activities report
    - Martinelli- *nothing to report*
    - Bostock-*nothing to report*
    - Comisky- *pushing forward for FDAC*
    - Cline- *nothing to report*
7. Regular Items:
  - 7.a. Consider and approve Geological Studies Permission Agreement with Koloma Inc. at Middletown Fire Station and authorize Board President to execute Agreement and staff to handle details. Placed on the agenda at the request of Koloma Inc.

*Martinelli did some research, that is a big risk for taking on the community. Comisky explains there is no obligation that we must let them drill in the future. If the fence impacts our Landing Zone and operations.*

**COMISKY / BOSTOCK MOTION** NOT to approve 7a as written **AYES:** Cline, Martinelli, Comisky and Bostock **ABSENT:** Stephenson **NOES:** none **MOTION CARRIED**

- 7.b. Consider and approve purchase and installation of equipment shed not to exceed \$65,000 and authorize Fire Chief or designee to execute purchase document(s) and building permit application, and Resolution No. 2025-26-16, A Resolution Appropriating Contingencies for aforementioned. Placed on the agenda by the Equipment and Facilities Committee.

*Comisky explains they had a meeting two weeks ago and we must protect our assets. Our recommendation is to approve this item.*

**MARTINELLI / BOSTOCK MOTION** to approve 7b as written **AYES:** Cline, Martinelli, Comisky and Bostock **ABSENT:** Stephenson **NOES:** none **MOTION CARRIED**

- 7.c. Consider and approve purchase of support vehicle not to exceed \$60,000 and authorize Fire Chief or designed to execute purchase document(s), and Resolution 2025-26-17, A Resolution Appropriating Contingencies for aforementioned. Placed on the agenda by the Equipment and Facilities Committee.

*The Model Y all-wheel drive is the recommendation*

**BOSTOCK/MARTINELLI MOTION** to approve 7c as written **AYES:** Cline, Martinelli, Comisky and Bostock **ABSENT:** Stephenson **NOES:** none **MOTION CARRIED**

- 7.d. Consider and adopt Resolution No. 2025-26-15, A Resolution Increasing Reserves as a Result of Participation in the State Intergovernmental Transfer Program. Placed on the agenda by SSA Gloria Fong

**MARTINELLI/COMISKY MOTION** to approve 7d as written **AYES:** Cline, Martinelli, Comisky and Bostock **ABSENT:** Stephenson **NOES:** none **MOTION CARRIED**

- 7.e. Appointment of Committee Members for Calendar Year 2026 by Board President.

*Equipment Facilities – Comisky, Stephenson*

*Policy- Bostock and Martinelli*

8. Consent Calendar Items: (Approval of consent calendar items are expected to be routine and non-controversial. They will be acted upon by the Board at one time without discussion. Any Board member may request that an item be removed from the consent calendar for discussion later.)

8.a. January 20, 2026 – Regular Meeting Minutes

8.b. January 27, 2026 – Special Meeting Minutes

8.c. Warrants – February

*Addition of 2 checks 11974 to Cal Fire for Q2 \$832191.72 & 11975 to CA al steel for deposit on equipment shed.*

8.d. Budget Transfers:

\$8,000 from 357-9557-795-01.12 Salaries & Wages – Temporary to 357-9557-795-02.21 FICA/Medicare – employer share.

\$5,000 from 357-9557-795-23.80 Prof. Specialized Services to 357-9557-795-

20.00 Membership

**BOSTOCK/COMISKY** motion to consent calendar approve with additions **AYES:** Cline, Martinelli, Comisky and Bostock **ABSENT:** Stephenson **NOES:** none **MOTION CARRIED**

9. **MARTINELLI / COMISKY MOTION** to adjourn meeting at 6:09 p.m. All *members in attendance are in favor of adjournment.*

Respectfully submitted by  
Karin Collett, Office Technician

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READ AND APPROVED by  
Stephanie Cline  
President, Board of Directors

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