



HEARTLAND FIRE TRAINING AUTHORITY

COMMISSION MEETING AGENDA

THURSDAY, JANUARY 9, 2025

4:00 PM

1301 N. MARSHALL AVENUE

EL CAJON, CA 92020

1) CALL TO ORDER AND DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM

A meeting of the Heartland Fire Training Authority Commission held this Thursday; January 9, 2025 was called to order by the HFTA Vice Chair James Marugg at 1615 hrs.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Commissioner Barry Willis – Alpine Fire Protection District
Commissioner Beth Glasco – Barona Band of Mission Indians
Commissioner James Marugg – Bonita Sunnyside Fire Protection District
Commissioner Patricia Dillard – City of La Mesa
Commissioner Jennifer Mendoza – City of Lemon Grove
Commissioner Rob McNelis – City of Santee
Commissioner Pete Leibig – Lakeside Fire Protection District
Commissioner Christopher Pierce – San Miguel Fire Protection District

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:

Commissioner Gary Kendrick – City of El Cajon
arrived after roll-call and quorum was established
Commissioner Victor Woods – Viejas Band of Kumeyaay Indians

CHIEFS PRESENT:

BRIAN BOGGELN – Alpine Fire Protection District
MIKE SIMS – Bonita Sunnyside Fire Protection District
BENT KOCH – Heartland Fire & Rescue (El Cajon, La Mesa, Lemon Grove)
BOB PFOHL – Viejas band of Kumeyaay Indians
HARLEY WALLACE – City of Santee

CHIEFS ABSENT:

KEN KREMENSKY – Barona Band of Mission Indians
DON BUTZ – Lakeside Fire Protection District
JUSTIN MATSUSHITA – City of Santee
ANDY LAWLER – San Miguel Protection District

STAFF PRESENT:

JAY PETTERSON – Heartland Fire Training Authority, Training Manager
CLAY SCHOEN – Heartland Fire Training Authority, Treasurer/Controller

STAFF ABSENT:

None

GUESTS PRESENT:



None

2) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Pledge of allegiance led by Fire Chief Mike Sims – Bonita Sunnyside Fire Protection District

3) INVOCATION

No invocation given

4) APPROVAL OF AGENDA

APPROVE THE AGENDA OF THE
JANUARY 9, 2025 MEETING

MOTION by McNELIS, SECOND
by WILLIS to approve the Agenda of
the January 9, 2025 meeting

MOTION CARRIES BY A VOTE OF THOSE PRESENT

5) PUBLIC COMMENT

State Law prohibits taking action or discussion on any item not on the posted agenda. The Authority Commission may briefly respond to statements or questions by persons exercising their public testimony rights. If appropriate, a matter of business may be on a future agenda.

No public comment

6) CONSENT CALENDAR

Consent Items are routine matters enacted by a motion according to the RECOMMENDATION listed below. With the concurrence of the HFTA Commissioners, a commissioner or person in attendance may request discussion of a Consent Item at this time.

**APPROVE MINUTES OF THE
JULY 11, 2024 MEETING, APPROVE
TREASURER FINANCIAL REPORT,
APPROVE TRAINING MANAGER
REPORT**

MOTION by WILLIS, SECOND
by McNELIS to approve the
minutes of the July 11, 2024
meeting, treasurer financial report
and training manager report as
presented

MOTION CARRIES BY A VOTE OF THOSE PRESENT



7) HFTA COMMISSION ELECTIONS

**ELECT CHAIR JAMES MARUGG AND
VICE CHAIR GARY KENDRICK**

MOTION by James Marugg
SECOND by Barry WILLIS to elect
James Marugg as Chair and Gary
Kendrick as Vice Chair

**8) 8.1 – LIVE FIRE TRAINING STRUCTURE SOLE SOURCE JUSTIFICATION AND
VENDOR CONTRACT**

**APPROVE SOLE SOURCE
LETTER AS PRESENTED**

MOTION by WILLIS, SECOND
by McNELIS to approve sole source
letter as presented

MOTION CARRIES BY A VOTE OF THOSE PRESENT

**APPROVE VENDOR CONTRACT
AS PRESENTED**

MOTION by WILLIS, SECOND
by McNELIS to approve vendor
contract

MOTION CARRIES BY A VOTE OF THOSE PRESENT

9) 9.1 – UPDATED BROWN ACT REGULATIONS FOR REMOTE ATTENDANCE

Training manager, Jay Petterson provided an overview of the Brown Act regulations provided by the HFTA legal counsel. The training manager recommended each HFTA commissioner attend each quarterly meeting in-person to ensure a quorum at all future meetings.

10) REPORTS – INFORMATION ONLY

10.1 – BOC Chair Report

Fire Chief Don Butz was not in attendance, Vice-Chair Mike Sims had nothing to report on behalf of the HFTA BOC's.

10.2 – Commissioners Report

Commissioner Patricia Dillard reported that Proposition L passed for the City of La Mesa and she wanted to thank everyone for their efforts, including fire personnel, law enforcement personnel and staff.



Commissioner Jennifer Mendoza reported that she will now be the alternate commissioner representative for the City of Lemon Grove. The new primary HFTA Commissioner representing the City of Lemon Grove will be councilmember Steve Faiai

Commissioner Christopher Pierce reported that San Miguel Fire Protection District will be holding elections and possibly assigning new roles within their council. He thanked everyone for their continuous support and hard work.

11) ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner James Marugg adjourned the January 9, 2025 meeting at 1642hrs.