



**Humboldt Bay Fire Joint Powers Authority
Board of Directors Regular Meeting Minutes**

Jo Wattle - Chair, Scott Bauer – Vice-Chair, Mickey Hulstrom - Secretary Kim Bergel – Director

Wednesday, April 13, 2022

4:00pm

Rob Bode Training Classroom, 533 C Street Eureka, CA 95501

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1. **Call to Order** The meeting was called to order at 4:07pm.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
3. **Attendance** Present: Directors, Wattle, Bergel, Hulstrom & Castellano. Fire Chief Robertson. Deputy Chief Reynolds. Clerk Harris. Absent: Director Bauer.
4. **Approval of the Agenda** Motion was made, seconded (Bergel/Hulstrom) and passed unanimously to approve the agenda.

5. Consent Calendar

Consent Calendar items are considered to be routine by HBF JPA Board of Directors and will be enacted by a single action. Unless Board Directors or members of the public request removal of an item for separate discussion and/or action, the Consent Calendar will not be read. There will be no separate discussion of these items.

A. Board Meeting Minutes 3.9.2022

Recommendation: Approve the regular Board minutes of 3.9.2022.

B. Resolution 2022-8 Teleconference Public Meetings Pursuant to AB 361

Recommendation: Adopt Resolution 2022-8 re-authorizing the HBF JPA to continue with teleconference public meetings pursuant to AB 361.

Motion was made, seconded (Hulstrom/Bergel) and passed unanimously with a roll call vote to approve the consent calendar.

Ayes: Hulstrom, Bergel, Wattle, Castellano

Noes: None

Absent: Bauer

6. Public Comment

This is the time for members of the public who wish to be heard on matters that do not appear on the Agenda. Each speaker is limited to three (3) minutes. Such time allotment or portion thereof shall not be transferred to other speakers. Those wishing to address the Board will be asked to raise their hand and unmute themselves once they are called on by the Clerk. The public will be allowed to speak concurrently with the calling of an agenda item following the staff presentation of that item. Pursuant to the Brown Act, the Board may not take action on an item that does not appear on the Agenda.

No one from the public spoke.

7. Fire Chief Communications

- A. Recruitment
- B. New hires
- C. Department physicals
- D. Community Risk Reduction Specialist
- E. 22-23 budget process

8. Board of Director or Committee Reports/Announcements

None

9. Local 652 Reports/Announcements

None

10. New Business

- A. **2020-2021 Audit Report** The Board is requested to receive and accept the final audit report from Diane Watts, CPA for fiscal year 20-21.
Motion was made, seconded (Bergel/Hulstrom) and passed unanimously to approve the 2020-2021 financial audit report.
- B. **Claim for Damages** The Board is requested to reject the claim in its entirety for an accident involving the Pierce Tiller on February 22, 2022.
Motion was made, seconded (Hulstrom, Bergel) and passed unanimously to reject the claim in its entirety for an accident involving the Pierce Tiller on February 22, 2022.

11. Other Business

12. Closed Session

- A. Government Code 54956.9-Conference with Legal Counsel
Significant Exposure to Litigation Pursuant to subdivision (d) (2) Government Code section 54956.9 (one potential case)
- B. Government Code 54957.6 Conference with Labor Negotiators
Humboldt Bay Fire Battalion Chiefs
Humboldt Bay Fire JPA representative Sean Robertson

Closed session was opened at 4:28pm and closed at 4:37pm with a report of no action taken.

13. Announcement of Next Regular Meeting: May 11, 2022.

14. Adjournment **The meeting adjourned at 4:38pm.**

Clerk's Statement: I hereby certify that I am the recording clerk of the Humboldt Bay Fire Joint Powers Authority and that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of the minutes passed by the governing Board of the JPA at the regular meeting of the Board of Directors held on April 13, 2022 at 4:00 p.m. **Jenna Harris, Clerk**