

FIG GARDEN FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

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FIG GARDEN FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT Board of Directors – Regular Meeting Minutes March 19, 2026 4:00PM Station 20 – 4537 N Wishon

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Erik Peterson, Heather Janz, Louis Linney, Richard Caglia and Larry Fortune
BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: None
CITY OF FRESNO: Billy Alcorn, Fire Chief
Yvonne Dedmore, Business Manager
Christy Cronin, Senior Management Analyst
OTHERS: Josh Giosa, CPA Price Paige & Company

The meeting was called to order at 4:06 pm by Board President Janz.

1. Board of Directors Minutes

MOTION: Board Member Fortune motioned to adopt the regular meeting minutes of January 29, 2026; seconded by Board Member Peterson. Motion carried

- Ayes: Janz, Linney, Peterson, Caglia, Fortune
- Nays: none

MOTION: Board Member Fortune motioned to adopt the special meeting minutes of March 3, 2026; seconded by Board Member Linney. Motion carried

- Ayes: Janz, Linney, Peterson, Caglia, Fortune
- Nays: none

2. Public Commentary

- None

3. Board Member Comments/Updates

- Board Vice President Peterson spoke about the dead tree on Van Ness having been trimmed. He stated it now looks like a pole instead of a tree

4. FY 2025 Audited Financial Statement

- Josh Giosa from Price Paige & Company introduced himself. He then described the scope of work performed and what the audit entailed. Items specifically reviewed were:
 - i. The Statement of Revenues, Expenditure and Change in Fund Balance
 - ii. The claim from the city which was qualified as a note versus a liability given it was not an agreed upon liability for FY 25.
 - iii. There is one finding regarding the transactions related to the carport repair and the FY 2024 true-up to the City of Fresno.

5. Legal Counsel Interview Outcom

MOTION: Board Member Fortune motioned for Board President Janz to contact Hunter Castro for a letter of engagement to become legal counsel to the board; seconded by Board Member Peterson. Motion carried

- Ayes: Janz, Linney, Peterson, Caglia, Fortune
- Nays: none

- The engagement letter will be brought to the June board meeting for final approval and execution
- The board followed up the motion with expectations once counsel is engaged. Questions posed were who will contact legal counsel when questions arise and will legal counsel be requested to attend all board meetings. These items to be decided once engagement has been executed.

6. Brown Act Discussion

- Board member Fortune discussed the requirements for board members to receive Brown Act training every two years. The question arose regarding tracking to ensure training is occurring. Fire Chief Alcorn offered to look in to having the board members added to the Fresno Fire Department LMS system for tracking training. Issue to be carried over to the June regular board meeting.

7. District By-Laws

- Board President Janz highlighted that the SF-405 needs to be addressed with the Secretary of State
- It was defined that the Clerk to the Board position in the by-laws is a contracted member of the City of Fresno Fire Department
- The by-laws will remain in draft until such time that new legal counsel can review

8. Email Distribution List

- Board Secretary Linney spoke with webmaster Gavin Haubelt who stated what the board would like to do is possible. He reviewed ways to initiate the list and made suggestions. The postcard with a QR code is feasible. It would be used to flash information regarding public safety to the residents for both Fire and Police if police are interested.
- Board Secretary Linney will also reach out the HOA to see if they would be interested in sharing their list
- The board would request administrative rights on the website to be able to send out letters/notices and download the email list

MOTION: Board President Janz motioned to allow Board Secretary Linney to engage Gavin Haubelt to set up a Fig Garden Constant Contact or Mailchip mail list for the District; seconded by Board Member Peterson. Motion carried

- Ayes: Janz, Linney, Peterson, Caglia, Fortune

- Nays: none

9. Fire Code Discussion

- The Fresno Fire Department is 60% through updating. A fully revised version will be available at the June regular board meeting.
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10. Sherriff Storage Area

- There is no update per Board Member Caglia
- There is no known written agreement between the District and the Sherriff's Office
- A question was asked as to whether or not the District should be designating the use of the space over the City of Fresno as the service agreement allows the City full use of the property

11. COF Payback Claim - \$619,253.12

- Board members asked Josh Giosa from Price Paige & Company questions as to the validity of the claim from the City.

MOTION: Board Secretary Linney motioned for the claim to be paid as presented sans interest; seconded by Board Vice President Peterson. Motion carried

- Ayes: Janz, Linney, Peterson, Caglia, Fortune

- Nays: none

12. Weed Abatement

- The board discussed how properties are identified during weed abatement season.

MOTION: Board Secretary Linney motioned to adopt resolution 2026-01 establishing the existence of a public nuisance withing the Fig Garden Fire Protection District; seconded by Board Member Fortune. Motion carried

- Ayes: Janz, Linney, Peterson, Caglia, Fortune
- Nays: none

13. Fiscal Year 2027 Proposed Budget

- Board members review the proposed budget and requested the line item for the website fee but updated to reflect a budget of \$900
- SMA Cronin proposed the board approve the addition of a third fund for tracking revenues

MOTION: Board Vice President Peterson motioned for a third fund to be established for recording revenues received by the district from which the two reserve funds will be transferred out to the existing capital and general funds annually; seconded by Board Member Caglia. Motion carried

- Ayes: Janz, Linney, Peterson, Caglia, Fortune
- Nays: none

14. Financial Update/Fiscal Reports

- Fiscal reports through February 28, 2026 were presented by Business Manager Dedmore. There were no questions from the board.
- Documents and vouchers for signature
 - i. Price Paige & Co – Invoice 37808 - \$6,046.00
 - ii. City of Fresno – Invoice FY26-03 - \$619,253.12

15. Fire Chief

- Station statistics – Chief reviewed call volume for both the engine and the station.
- Department Updates
 - i. The board was asked if there is any information the board would like to see. Items mentioned were:
 1. Specific Training
 2. Public education details attended by Station 20
 3. Inspections assigned to Station 20
 - ii. Drill School graduation is tomorrow March 20 – noon at City Hall. Board members are invited to attend
 - iii. There is a new drill school starting June 8 and another will start in August
 - iv. Budget presentation are occurring right now.
 - v. The Fresno Training Symposium has been happening all week.
 - vi. The Fresno Fire Chiefs Foundation cornhole tournament is coming up April 18 at Tioga Sequoia Brewery

16. 2026 Scheduled Board Meetings (THURSDAYS)

Board reviewed schedule dates for 2026. The June 18 meeting was moved to June 9.

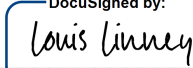
- June 9, 2026 – Quarterly Meeting and First Weed Abatement Hearing
- July 23, 2026 – Second Weed Abatement Hearing (if needed)
- September 17, 2026 – Quarterly Meeting
- December 17, 2026 – Quarterly Meeting

17. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 5:56 pm

Certified:

Signed by:



Louis Linney, Board Secretary

8/24/2026

Date
