



PAJARO VALLEY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
562 CASSELY ROAD, WATSONVILLE, CA (831) 722-6188

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING FOR THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
PAJARO VALLEY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

Wednesday, April 8, 2025

1.0 Call to Order 5:00PM

1.1 Pledge of Allegiance

1.2 Call Meeting to Order - Roll Call

Present: Director Erbe, Director Dellamonica, Director Moules, Director Martone
Excused Absent: Director Sampson

2.0 Agenda Amendments

2.1 Additions, Deletions or Late Additions to the Consent Agenda and Regular Agenda from Staff or Members of the Board

Late addition of an email from today, added to correspondence. Three correspondences in email packet.

3.0 Oral Communications

3.1 Public Oral Communication

Becky Steinbruner- resident- spoke regarding BESS for 19 Minto Rd. and the developer's current plan and gave the Board information to review regarding BESS.

3.2 Staff Oral Communication

None

3.3 Board Oral Communication

Chair Martone invited all to attend April Pitch-In event on April 23rd 9am-11am at Paulsen Road.
Board discussed road work on Paulsen Road-possible culvert work.

4.0 Consent Agenda

4.1 Minutes – Approval of the minutes from the Regular Board meeting on March 11, 2026.

Becky Steinbruner- resident-noted a correction to Karrel Reader's name.

4.2 Claims Disbursement – Expenditure report, Vendor & Deposit summary, Year to Date Financial Report and American Express Statement for March 2026

BC Urbani spoke on errors to Amex card. There were four charges for the same amount by the same vendor. The vendor's system made an error and have issued credits for three of the charges.

Motion: Director Dellamonica motioned to approve all items on the Consent Agenda with spelling correction to Karrel Reader's name.

Second: Director Erbe

All in favor: All

5.0 Presentations

1) Board/Staff Member Explanation; 2) Board of Directors Questions; 3) Public Comment; 4) Board Member Deliberation; 5) Decision



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5.1 Pajaro Valley Chief's Report & Run Report for March 2026

BC Urbani reported on the following:

- Structure fire on Cutter, crews responded with Corralitos and Watsonville. Fire was contained to one room.
- Structure fire on North Drive was a deck fire. Contained to the deck.
- Apparatus 4511 roof leak was repaired. Additional leaks have occurred since then and crews are working to identify the location of the leak. The repair is covered under warranty.
- Facility- work on septic system delayed due to rain.
- Attended career day at Lakeview Middle School

5.2 Watsonville Run Report for March 2026

No questions from the Board.

Becky Steinbruner- questioned responses by Watsonville and PV Fire and how agreement is implemented. Chair Martone invited Ms. Steinbruner to meet with him and get an overview of how the contract works.

6.0 **Committee Reports**

6.1 LAFCO Ad Hoc Committee – Chair Martone & Director Dellamonica

Chair Martone reported that a meeting will be scheduled with LAFCO to finalize the town hall meetings. Two meetings will be scheduled, one in person and one virtual. Vice Chair Dellamonica reported that the attorney has advised that board members not attached to the Ad Hoc Committee are not able to attend the town hall meetings because it will violate the Brown Act. Further discussions are being held to clarify. The Board discussed the current plan for the town hall meeting, who will present and how the rest of the Board members will get a report on what was presented and what occurred at the town hall meetings.

Public Comment:

Becky Steinbruner- spoke on the meeting dates and the town hall meeting presentation.

6.2 Watsonville Fire/Pajaro Valley Fire Contract Ad Hoc Committee – Chair Martone & Director Dellamonica.

Chief Wilson reported that Chief Schaefer is meeting with City staff this week to discuss the contract.

Vice Chair Dellamonica expressed frustration due to the lack of movement on the contract. The Board wants to ensure that the level of service for the District is maintained. The Board directed staff to schedule a meeting with the City of Watsonville.

7.0 **Continuing Business**

7.1 **Ordinance 2026-01 Compensation for Board Members of the Pajaro Valley Fire Protection District**

Board to conduct reading and vote of Ordinance 2026-01 Compensation for Board Members of the PVFPD.

Board to review and conduct the reading of Ordinance 2026-01.

- Board clarifying questions to Staff
- ***Board will forgo the reading of Ordinance 2026-01 due to time.***
- Public Hearing – Board Chair opens Public Hearing for Public Comment
- Board Chair closes Public Hearing
- Board Discussion, Deliberation
- Board vote on Ordinance 2026-01



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Vice Chair Dellamonica clarified that the only change is to increase the number of meetings from three to six, not an increase to the reimbursement amount. BC Urbani reported that the ordinance has been posted appropriately as stated in the ordinance. The ordinance will take effect in 60 days if the decision is made to move forward and will be reposted again as appropriate.

Public Comment- opened 5:30 closed 5:30. No comments. No Board discussion.

Motion: Director Dellamonica to adopt Ordinance 2026-01 Compensation for Board Members of the PVFPD as presented

Second: Director Moules.

Roll Call Vote: Director Erbe-Yes, Director Moules- yes, Director Dellamonica-yes, Director Martone-yes;

Directo Sampson - absent

8.0 New Business

8.1 Resolution 2026-03 Transfer of Funds to 62304 Attorney

Board to consider Resolution 2026-03 transferring funds in FY 25/26 638100 Operating Budget 62922 Lodging to 62304 Attorney .

Recommended Action: Board to have discussion, give directions to staff and/or make a motion.

BC Urbani reported that due to an increase in legal costs, \$8K from lodging is being transferred to the attorney fund.

Vice Chair Dellamonica questioned the need for a resolution to transfer funds. BC Urbani explained the process to transfer funds as directed by the County.

Becky Steinbruner- resident- asked if there will be an attorney present at the townhall meetings.

Motion: Director Erbe motioned to approve Resolution 2026-03 Transfer of Funds to 62304 Attorney.

Second: Director Moules

Vote: All

9.0 Correspondence

Chair Martone stated that he received an email from Becky Steinbruner on BESS, agenda, and handouts. BC Urbani explained how items are added to the agenda based on when they are received.

Public comment was received.

10.0 Adjournment

Motion: Director Dellamonica motioned to adjourn the Board Meeting.

Second: Director Erbe

All in favor: all

Time: 5:38pm

This is to certify that for foregoing is a true copy of the discussions during the Pajaro Valley Fire Protection District Regular Board of Directors meeting, held on April 8th, 2026

Attest:

May 13, 2026

**Mike Urbani
Board Secretary**

**Dave Martone
Board Chair**



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