

**HOPLAND FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
MINUTES**

February 6th, 2025

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#1 CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Smith at 5:00pm

Directors present: Smith, Rodrick, Mastin, Trimble

Directors absent: Jensen

Staff present – Chief Mitch Franklin, Rebecca Stone (Clerk)

#2 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Pledge was led by Chairman Smith

#3. PUBLIC EXPRESSION

None

#4 ADDITION TO AGENDA

None

#5 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the January 9th, 2025 meeting were approved as written.

#6 APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORT

The financial reports for January 2025 were approved.

#7 CORRESPONDENCE

None

#8 CHIEFS REPORT

Chief Franklin submitted his verbal report. He expanded on content and answered questions from the Board. After questions were asked and answered the report was accepted as presented.

#9 OLD BUSINESS

Director Mastin requested an update on the training tower correspondence between Chief Franklin and Mendocino County. Chief Franklin confirmed there was no new correspondence to report.

Director Mastin inquired about our district's fire station locations and the possibility of a donated location. This matter was discussed, no action was taken.

#10 NEW BUSINESS

- a. 5 Year Plan: Chief Franklin will submit the drafted plan for review by the board with the board bringing changes/suggestions to the March 2025 board meeting.
- b. Flood Policy Renewal: The board voted to not renew the secondary flood policy through SDRMA/Alliant Insurance Services, Inc. The purpose of this secondary policy was to cover the deductible of the current flood policy through SDRMA which was also a requirement of the mortgage loan through Savings Bank of Mendocino County. In leu of the second policy, the board requested to open an "Emergency Building Repair Fund" not to exceed \$25,000 with a starting balance of \$3,000.
- c. District Mailer Draft: The board reviewed the draft mailer and agreed to send changes/suggestions the following week to allow for distribution by the end of February 2025.

#11 DIRECTORS REPORTS

None

#12 CLOSED SESSION

None

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#13 ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board the meeting was adjourned at 5:53pm.

Gregg Smith, Chairman

Rebecca Stone, Clerk