

Tuolumne County

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Fire Safety Advisory Committee – January 29, 2024, at 3:00 pm Board Chambers, 2 South Green Street, Sonora CA 95370

1. Meeting is called to order by Supervisor Campbell at 3:02 PM. Roll call taken. Quorum Established
 - a. Committee Members present
 1. District 1 Supervisor – David Goldemberg
 2. District 2 Supervisor – Ryan Campbell
 3. District 1 Rep – Scott Fremd
 4. District 2 Rep – Betsy Hurst
 5. District 3 Rep – Wesley Brinnegar
 6. District 4 Rep – Chuck Sloan
 7. Tuolumne Fire Chiefs Association – Chief Gamez
 8. Sonora City Fire – Chief New
 9. Tuolumne County Fire – Andy Murphy
 - b. Committee Members absent
 1. District 5 – vacant
 2. Chicken Ranch Band of Me Wuk Indians
 3. Tuolumne Band of Me-Wuk Indians - excused
 4. Tuolumne Fire Safe Council – excused
 5. Tuolumne County Sheriff's Office – excused
 - c. Others present
 1. Dore Bietz – OES Staff
 2. Anna Fagioli – OES Staff
 3. Public – Various
2. Public Comment
 - a. None
3. Approval of minutes 12/20/2023:
 - a. Motion was made by Chief Gamez to approve 2nd by Chuck Sloan. All in favor, no nays, no abstentions. The motion was approved unanimously.

No Public Comment.

4. Old Business

- a. 2024 Priorities – Development and approval of goals for 2024. Revisit based on BOS 2024 Priorities.
 - 1) Support sustainable funding for fire services.
 - 2) Develop recommendations to the BOS for fees for service, efforts to offset costs and reduce non-emergency call volumes (Fire and Law).
 - 3) Support hazardous veg ordinance inspectors to be included in Fire Budget.
 - 4) Support recommendation for relocation/improvement of county sheriff's dispatch with long term options such as developing a regional facility.
 - 5) Support at least 3 Community Evacuation Exercises in key communities
 - 6) Support advocacy to address fire insurance rate impacts for Tuolumne County residents and businesses.
 - 7) Support development of roadside brushing crew program partners.
 - 8) Support redflag parking ordinance for key areas

No Public Comment.

5. Reports/Presentation

- a. Chief Murphy reported on Short-Term Rentals requiring Fire and Life Safety Inspections and what the Ordinance will require.
- b. Staff Report – OES gave report out on the following items: Home Hardening Grant status. Were at the beginning of the EHP process. We will have a public meeting in late spring/beginning of Summer. EOP has been updated but CalOES has given recommendations that we would like to go over and will bring to the BOS on March 5th. Board of Forestry proposes change for utility Vegetation Management activities more to come. Save the date for Tuolumne County Wildfire Town Hall April 6th from 9-2pm at Mother Lode Fairgrounds.

Public comment

- Chief Gamez gave Sara Daniel kudos for going above and beyond helping him out with his mitigation plan.

6. New Business - None

No Public Comment

7. Working group updates: Will update group with dates of meetings.

- a. Communication and Education Outreach workgroup – Supervisor Campbell talked about possible table top evacuation exercises at 3 different community locations. OES to look at dates and make determination when these will take place.
- b. Governance workgroup – no report
- c. Emergency Planning workgroup – no report

Public Comments – none

8. Member Reports & Discussion – general updates/reports from committee members
 - a. Wesley Brinnegar brought up a safety concern to the committee regarding the unhoused population and an unfortunate incident that took place over the weekend.

Public comments: none

9. Next Meeting and Adjournment
 - a. Meeting Adjourned at 4:31 pm
 - b. Next Fire Safety Advisory Committee Meeting – February 28 @ 3:00 pm**