



WILTON FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

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MINUTES REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD AUGUST 19, 2026

ATTENDANCE

Directors Present: Joe Guardino, Elizabeth Hite, Ron Fiorica, Sandy Walsh

Not Present: Mark Creager

Staff Present: Fire Chief, Kenny Diede & Andrea Hunter

A. CALL TO ORDER / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

1. Director Guardino called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. Pledge of Allegiance

B. ANNOUNCEMENTS/PRESENTATIONS

1. Board Committee Updates: The Budget Committee met and the Final Budget will be presented during the September Board Meeting.

C. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

1. None

D. CONSENT CALENDAR

1. M/S Fiorica/Walsh - To approve the consent calendar as written
Approved 4/0

E. STAFF REPORTS

1. Chief Diede updated the Board on the prior month's activities through the Chief's Report:
 - i. July 2026 reported 95 calls, July 2025 reported 81 calls. There were 14 ALS days, and five new projects in Fire Prevention.
 - ii. Significant incidences to report – No significant incidences to report.
 - iii. Building & Vehicle Maintenance – No significant maintenance to report.
 - iv. Training – Patient Care Report (PCR) documentation and Driver Training for the Type Five & Six Engines.
 - v. General Information – District personnel participated in the Wilton Rancheria Department of Education's Summer Youth Program. The event had a great turnout, and the District's participation was well received. Following the event, the Wilton Rancheria Department of Education invited the District to participate in their Halloween event on 10/23/26 from 4:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.



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F. NEW BUSINESS

1. Radio Tower Replacement and Relocation – Chief Diede

Recommendation: Approve the replacement and relocation of the radio tower and award the project to Day Wireless Systems.

Discussion: Chief Diede stated that during the 2022/23 winter storms, the radio tower was destroyed. The District sought assistance from FEMA and they transferred administration of the claim to Cal OES.

Cal OES approved the relocation and construction of a replacement radio tower. FEMA approved the \$126,221.39 in funding toward the replacement and relocation of the District's tower. Day Wireless Systems is the preferred contractor of the three quotes submitted. The project is expected to cost \$195,001.31 and should take three to six months to complete. Director Guardino thanked Firefighter James Nessen for his efforts.

M/S Guardino/Hite To approve the replacement and relocation of the District's radio tower and award the project to Day Wireless Systems.

Approved 4/0

2. Gatchell Grant Writing Services Contract – Chief Diede

Recommendation: Approve the proposed Gatchell Grant Resources, LLC Contract

Discussion: Chief Diede presented a proposed contract between the District and Gatchell Grant Resources, LLC for grant writing and grant development services. Gatchell Grant Resources has agreed to waive the initial \$850 grant preparation fee as a continuation of its services. If the 2025 AFT Grant is awarded, the District will pay an administrative fee up to \$3,500. If not, the fee is not due.

M/S Fiorica/Guardino To approve the Staff Report as written.

Approved 4/0

3. California Broadband Contract Termination Resolution – Chief Diede

Recommendation: Approve Resolution 2026-04

Discussion: Chief Diede stated Resolution 2026-04 severs the District's contract with California Broadband Services. The termination was approved during the June 2026 Regular Board Meeting.

M/S Walsh/Hite To approve the Staff Report as written authorizing Resolution 2026-04.

Approved 4/0

G. OLD BUSINESS

1. None



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H. IDENTIFICATION OF ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

1. None

I. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Closed Session Item:

1. Personnel – Government Code Section 54957

The Board convened into closed session at 7:19 p.m.

J. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

The Board reconvened to open session at 8:00 p.m.

There was no reportable action taken in closed session

K. ADJOURNMENT

The board adjourned at 8:01 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Andrea Hunter, Clerk of the Board

Approved:



Joe Guardino, Chairman