



Albion Little River Fire Protection District

SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday January 9, 2024, 2:00pm

This meeting was called as a special meeting of the Board of Directors of the Albion Little River Fire Protection District to address the Fire Tax Increase. This meeting was held at Station 810, 33900 West Street, Albion, CA. and via videoconference on the Zoom platform.

- 1. Call to order and determination of a quorum:** The meeting was called to order at 2:05pm by President Greenberg. Directors Acker, Greenberg, Welty, Linstedt and Christensen were present at Station 810. Also present Wendy Meyer and Chief Rees and one member of the public.
- 2. Motion by Secretary Steve Acker to adopt agenda:** Approved by a board vote of 5 ayes.
- 3. Public communication to the board:** None
- 4. Items for discussion and possible action:**
 - a. The fire tax increase. Chief Rees presented two budget proposals with scenarios for levels of tax increase of \$100, \$150, \$200, and \$300 per unit with examples of paid personal levels for each. (see attached) There was discussion of the levels of tax increase and impacts each would have. It was noted that the last tax increase was 10 years ago. Personal cost increases to meet staffing, regulatory and training standards are the main reason for cost increases. Director Welty estimated that a \$300 tax level could provide funding for operations and approximately half the funding for the new 810 fire house.
 - b. **Motion:** Linstedt, Approve a proposed \$250 Special Fire tax to be revisited in 5 years. Failed by a board vote of 1 aye and 4 nay.
 - c. **Motion:** Greenberg: Approve a proposed \$300 Special Fire tax. Approved by a board vote of 5 ayes.
- 5. Adjournment:** : Meeting adjourned at 4:00pm. The next regular meeting date is Wednesday, January 17, 2024 at 10:00 am at Station 810 and Zoom.