

- 4.1.1. Recommendation for New Fire Station Financial Advisory Representation
Mr. Clemens made a motion to use the Ridgeline Municipal Strategies, LLC, for the new fire station financial advisory representative. Mr. McKinney seconded; motion passed 4-0 (AYES: Clemens, Dashner, McKinney, Vattuone; ABSENT: Barr).
- 4.2. Personnel/Safety Committee (Directors Clemens & Barr)
Chief Johnson reported Alex Stoltman had started in February. He also noted there had not been any injuries even during the storms. Chief Johnson noted he planned to announce the part-time fire prevention position opening with a goal of replacement of Joan Lark in July.
- 4.3. Fire Prevention Committee (Directors McKinney & Vattuone)
Chief Johnson reported that Joan Lark had scheduled this year's Lot Cleaner's Meeting for April 14th. He was working with Martha Rubin for the Firewise Safety Day in May.
- 4.4. Apparatus/Equipment Committee (Directors McKinney & Clemens)
Chief Johnson reported that Aaron Downing had heard the engine should be on the manufacturing line soon with expectation of arrival in late summer or early fall.
- 4.5. Station 3 Construction Committee (Directors Barr & Alternate Clemens)
Chief Johnson noted some recent changes being worked on at the Canyon View Drive station by the on-duty crews.

Mike Barr arrived approximately 10:15.

5. Scheduled Items

- 5.1. **CLOSED SESSION:** Conference with Legal Counsel (Government Code Section § 54956.9, § 54957) regarding Pending Litigation.
 - 5.1.1. **CLOSED SESSION:** Return to normal session – Board report on action taken.
Upon return to open session, Mr. Vattuone reported that the Board had decided to go with Baron & Budd for class action litigation regarding fire apparatus.
- 5.2. Request for Qualifications for Project Management Services
Chief Johnson reported that only one response had been received to the Request for Qualifications (RFQ). He briefly reviewed where the RFQ had been distributed including circulation through the Calaveras County Building Department. Mr. Clemens made a motion to go with Capital Project Management. Mr. Barr seconded; motion passed unanimously (AYES: Barr, Clemens, Dashner, McKinney, Vattuone).
- 5.3. Letter of Interest to Dept. of Health Care Services: IGT 2025 Voluntary Rate Range
Chief Johnson reported that the IGT amounts for the upcoming year should be greater than this fiscal year and that he had included this letter for the Board's information.

- 5.4. Auditor-Controller District Signature Authorization for Payroll-Related Expenditures
Cheryl Howard noted that this was for payroll-related expenditures only. Mr. Barr made a motion to approve the District Signature Authorization for Payroll-Related Expenditures which authorized Andrea Ramirez, Erin Felby and Cheryl Howard to sign claim transmittals. Mr. Dashner seconded; motion passed unanimously (AYES: Barr, Clemens, Dashner, McKinney, Vattuone).
 - 5.5. Brown Act 2026: Annual Updated Brown Act Manual for Elected Officials
Chief Johnson reported that the Brown Act Manual had been distributed with February's agenda even though the meeting had been cancelled due to the snowstorms.
 - 5.6. Policy 6092 Personnel: Nepotism – 2025 Draft
Mr. Barr made a motion to adopt Policy 6092 Personnel: Nepotism. Mr. Dashner seconded; motion passed 4-0 (AYES: Barr, Clemens, Dashner, McKinney, Vattuone).
 - 5.7. California Special Districts Association: Legislative Days April 7-8, 2026
Chief Johnson reported that the information was included for the Board's information if anyone was interested in attending.
 - 5.8. Letter of Appreciation: Snowstorm Rescue
Chief Johnson reported that there had been a lot of informal appreciation from the members of the public and he had included this letter for the Board's information.
 - 5.9. SDRMA Spring Education Day March 18th
Chief Johnson noted that this was a reminder for the following day for those attending the event.
6. **REPORTS**
- 6.1. Administrative Report
Chief Johnson reported on the storm response in February noting that District personnel had worked with PG&E, Calaveras County and CalOES personnel. He noted that there had been over \$60,000 in expenditures in support of personnel through meals and vehicle repairs in addition to the Calaveras County pre-position piece to gain additional personnel to help out District residents and visitors.
 - 6.2. Legislative Report
Chief Johnson noted the County was discussing moving OES under the Sheriff's Office and the Calaveras Fire JPA was actively watching this activity.
 - 6.3. Administrative - EMS
Chief Johnson explained the transition to the NERIS.

7. COMMENTS, QUESTIONS, CONSIDERATIONS**7.1. Board Members**

Mr. Clemens noted his pride in the line personnel and management in their handling of the storm response.

7.2. Firefighters Association

Alex Baker reported the Association had hosted the Burn Foundation kids for breakfast and dinner. Glenn Verkerk reported there were again changes for the servers with a need to renew their certifications.

7.3. Employees' Group

None

7.4. Public Comments

None

8. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. McKinney made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Barr seconded; motion passed 5-0 (AYES: Barr, Clemens, Dashner, McKinney, Vattuone). 10:18 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl Howard
District Secretary