



Ross Valley Fire Department

777 San Anselmo Avenue, San Anselmo, CA 94960

ROSS VALLEY FIRE DEPARTMENT

Minutes of the Ross Valley Fire Board of April 09, 2025

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RVFD Board Meeting

1. Call to order – 6:30 pm.

Board Present: Dowling, Burdo, Walker, Finn, Shortall, Coler, Hellman

Board Absents: Kircher, Robbins

Staff Present: Mahoney, Zuba

Town Managers Present: Abrams, Johnson

2. Chief Report – Verbal update by Fire Chief Mahoney

Recruitments: We will post Firefighter Paramedic and Wildfire Preparedness Coordinator on May 1. Four vacant FF positions. The Firefighter Explorer Academy was last month.

Incident reports: There was a structure fire in Ross with no injuries. The fire is still under investigation. Responded to a call for a bicyclist having chest pain. Bystanders administered CPR and a helicopter was called in, but unfortunately the bicyclist did not make it. There was a vehicle fire with no injuries and the fire was contained. Director Coler had a question on a particular EV bike accident involving kids. Manager Abrams responded first aid only was administered and there were no lasting injuries.

3. Open time for public expression. The public is welcome to address the Board at this time on matters not on the agenda. However, please be advised that pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.2, the Board is not permitted to take action on any matter not on the agenda unless it determines that an emergency exists or that the need to take action arose following the posting of the agenda.

No public comment.

4. Consent Agenda: Items on the consent agenda may be removed and discussed separately. Discussion may take place at the end of the agenda. Otherwise, all items may be approved with one action.

No public comment.

M/S Coler/Finn to approve consent agenda - roll call vote, seven ayes: Dowling, Burdo, Walker, Finn, Shortall, Coler, Hellman



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5. Board requests for future agenda items, questions, and comments to staff, staff miscellaneous items.

None.

6. Announce Adjournment to Closed Session:
Convene in Closed Session: (6:40 pm)
 - a) **Conference with Labor Negotiators (Government Code 54957.6)**
 - i) Agency Designated Representative: Dave Donery
Employee Organization: Ross Valley Fire Chief Officers Association and
The Ross Valley Firefighters Association
Regarding: Labor Negotiations

Director Walker left at 7:00 pm.

No public comment.

7. Announce Action in Closed Session, if any. (7:15 pm)

Burdo: Only action taken was to give direction to the negotiator.

8. Adjourn

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 14, 2025, in person at the San Anselmo Town Council Chambers, at 525 San Anselmo Ave. San Anselmo, CA 94960, and via zoom.

Lauren Houde

s/Lauren Houde, Administrative Assistant

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