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Board of Directors Meeting

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**SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA
VALLEY OF THE MOON FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Tuesday, January 12, 2016 at 5:00 P.M.
Location: Sonoma Valley Fire & Rescue Authority Station #1
630 2nd Street West, Sonoma, California 95476

(This agenda is posted in accordance with the Ralph M. Brown Act,
California Government Code Section 54950, et seq.)

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL & DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM

Board of Directors: President Norton, Director Brunton, Director Greben, Director Brady, and Director Leen.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

4. CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

Opportunity for the Board to reorder agenda items

5. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

(At this time, members of the public may comment on any item not appearing on the agenda. It is recommended that you keep your comments to three minutes or less. Under State Law, matters presented under this item cannot be discussed or acted upon by the Board at this time. For items appearing on the agenda, the public will be invited to make comments at the time the item comes up for consideration by the Board of Directors.)

6. PRESENTATIONS

A badge pinning will be held for new Firefighters Mason Lewis and Chris Derner and newly-promoted Captain Gabe Stirnus.

7. CONSENT CALENDAR

Approval of minutes for regular meeting of December 8, 2015. **Action Item**

8. FIRE CHIEF'S MONTHLY REPORT

Chief's activity report for December 2015

9. OLD BUSINESS

10. NEW BUSINESS

The Board will vote for a Special District Representative Class I for LAFCO. **Action Item**

11. OTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD

Glen Ellen FPD will host the SCFDA meeting on January 28th at the Wolf House Restaurant in Glen Ellen. Please RSVP to Georgette with your choice of entrée by January 18th.

12. COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

13. COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD

14. CLOSED SESSION

15. ADJOURNMENT

This meeting will be adjourned to a regular meeting on February 9, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. in the Training Room of Sonoma Valley Fire & Rescue Authority Station 1, located at 630 2nd Street West, Sonoma.

Copies of all staff reports and documents subject to disclosure that relate to any item of business referred to on the agenda are available for public inspection the Monday before each regularly scheduled meeting during regular business hours, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, at Sonoma Valley Fire & Rescue Authority's Station 1, located at 630 2nd Street West, Sonoma, California.

Any documents subject to disclosure that are provided to all, or a majority of all, of the members of the Board of Directors regarding any item on this agenda after the agenda has been distributed will be made available for inspection at the location listed above during regular business hours. If you challenge the action of the Board in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described on the agenda, or in written correspondence delivered to the Valley of the Moon Fire Protection District Board of Directors, at or prior to the public hearing.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance to participate in this meeting, please contact the secretary for the Board at (707) 996-2102. Notification 48 hours before the meeting will enable the Valley of the Moon Fire Protection District to make reasonable arrangements to ensure accessibility to this meeting.



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Board of Directors Meeting

Agenda Item Summary

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Agenda Item No.		Staff Contact	
7		Georgette Darcy, Admin. Analyst/Secretary to Board	
Agenda Item Title			
Approval of minutes for regular meeting of December 8, 2015			
Recommended Actions			
Approve the minutes			
Executive Summary			
The minutes have been prepared for Board review and approval.			
Alternative Actions			
Correct or amend minutes prior to approval			
Strategic Plan Alignment			
Not applicable			
Fiscal Summary – FY 15/16			
Expenditures		Funding Source(s)	
Budgeted Amount	\$	District General Fund	\$
Add. Appropriations Req'd.		Fees/Other	\$
	\$	Use of Fund Balance	\$
	\$	Contingencies	\$
		Grants	\$
Total Expenditure	\$	Total Sources	\$
Narrative Explanation of Fiscal Impacts (if required)			
Not required			
Attachments			
Minutes for December 8, 2015 regular meeting			

VALLEY OF THE MOON FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

REGULAR BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

December 8, 2015

1. CALL TO ORDER

President Norton called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL & DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM

Board of Directors: President Norton, Director Brunton, Director Greben, Director Brady, and Director Leen.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Director Leen led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

There were no changes to the agenda.

5. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

a) Diamond A homeowner Tom Jones addressed the Board to express his concerns about the safety of occupants of vacation rentals in the event of a major fire in this community. He particularly cited the limited ingress and egress for the region. This issue will be brought before the County Board of Supervisors in January. The Board informed Mr. Jones that it would study the matter.

b) Public Hearing

A public hearing was held to establish a revised fee schedule to offset the cost of service provided by the District. No members of the public attended the hearing.

6. PRESENTATIONS

A proclamation of gratitude to the Sonoma County Board of Supervisors for its funding of the Station 2 Generator Replacement Project through the Advertising Grant Program for fiscal year 2014/15 was presented at the meeting. A representative from the County was unable to attend to accept the proclamation. The document will be sent to the Board of Supervisors.

7. CONSENT CALENDAR

Approval of minutes for regular meeting of November 10, 2015

M/S/P Leen/Brady to approve minutes for November 10, 2015. Passed 5 ayes

8. FIRE CHIEFS' MONTHLY REPORT

Fire Chief Freeman gave an oral activity report for November 2015.

9. OLD BUSINESS

None

10. NEW BUSINESS

Ordinance 2015/2016-01 revising the schedule of fees for the District to cover the cost of providing services, issuing permits, and enforcing regulations within the District

M/S/P Greben/Brunton to revise schedule of fees for the District. Passed 5 ayes

11. OTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD

President Norton appointed Board designates for 2016 as follows:

- Equipment Director Leen
- Budget President Norton & Director Brunton
- Facilities Director Brady
- Personnel Director Greben & Director Brady

12. COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

None

13. COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD

Director Brady reported that local fire agencies, including the SVFRA, escorted Normandy veteran Don Clouston to the Sonoma Valley Airport in Schellville for his 90th birthday.

14. CLOSED SESSION

None

15. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:19 p.m. to a regular meeting on January 12, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. in the Training Room at Station 1, located at 630 2nd Street West, Sonoma.

Respectfully submitted,

Georgette Darcy

President Norton

Director Brunton

Director Greben

Director Brady

Director Leen



Valley of the Moon Fire Protection District

Board of Directors Meeting

Agenda Item Summary

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Agenda Item No.		Staff Contact	
10		Mark Freeman, Fire Chief	
Agenda Item Title			
The Board will vote for a Special District Representative Class I for LAFCO			
Recommended Actions			
Vote for one candidate to serve as Special District Representative			
Executive Summary			
Sonoma County independent special districts have been asked to vote in an election to fill the position of Special District Representative Class I for the Sonoma Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO). This position serves a four-year term that ends in May 2020. Completed ballots are due by February 1, 2016.			
Alternative Actions			
Decline to vote			
Strategic Plan Alignment			
Not applicable			
Fiscal Summary – FY 15/16			
Expenditures		Funding Source(s)	
Budgeted Amount	\$	District General Fund	\$
Add. Appropriations Req'd.	\$	Fees/Other	\$
	\$	Use of Fund Balance	\$
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		Grants	\$
Total Expenditure	\$	Total Sources	\$
Narrative Explanation of Fiscal Impacts (if required)			
Attachments			
Sonoma LAFCO election materials			

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Date: December 10, 2015
To: All Independent Special Districts
Subject: Election of Special District Representative Class I

The purpose of this letter is to inform you about the accompanying materials associated with an election to fill a position of Special District Representative to the Sonoma Local Agency Formation Commission (Sonoma LAFCO). This is a four-year term of office ending May 2020. As a result of an earlier notification by Sonoma LAFCO to special districts, four nominations were submitted by the November 24, 2015, deadline. Nominations for this position (Class I) were restricted to board members of fire protection, community services, and life support districts. All independent special districts have the right to vote.

The election process requires that Sonoma LAFCO send to each district copies of all nominations received by the established deadline, a ballot and certification form, and voting instructions. In addition to these documents, I have included a stamped envelope for you to use to return the certified ballot.

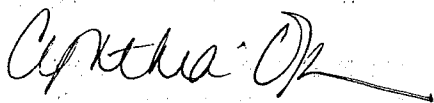
All ballots should be returned to the LAFCO office by February 1, 2016. Ballots received by the deadline date will be counted and the results announced within seven days.

Please note that ballots representing a majority of the districts must be received by the deadline date for the election to be considered valid. In the event a majority of districts have not cast ballots by the deadline, Sonoma LAFCO will extend the deadline date by 60 days to allow those districts that have not returned a ballot to do so.

On behalf of the Commission, I urge your district to participate in this election for special district representation to Sonoma LAFCO and to return the ballot by the February 1 deadline.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me at 565-2587.

Sincerely,



Cynthia Olson
Clerk to the Commission

SONOMA LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION

BALLOT

Special District Representative Class I Term of Office Ending May 2020

1. Vote for only one candidate for Special District Representative.
2. The presiding officer or his/her designated alternate, acting on behalf of the district, must cast the district's vote by marking the space to the right of a candidate's name and then complete, sign, and date the certification. Ballot space has also been provided for write-in candidates.
3. Place the marked ballot sheet and certification into the envelope provided and mail to Sonoma LAFCO, 575 Administration Drive, Room 104A, Santa Rosa, CA 95403. Ballot sheet and certification may be emailed to Cynthia.Olson@sonoma-county.org, to meet deadline requirements. However, originals must be mailed to the LAFCO office as soon as possible thereafter.
5. **Submit ballot and certification by February 1, 2016**

VOTE

Al Giordano, Cloverdale Fire Protection District _____

Steven Klick, Windsor Protection District _____

Greg Karraker, Rancho Adobe Fire Protection District _____

Ernie Loveless, Schell-Vista Fire Protection District _____

Write-in Candidate _____

CERTIFICATION

I certify, under penalty of perjury, that I, _____
(Print Name of Presiding Officer or Alternate)

I am the Presiding Officer of _____,
(Print Name of Special District)

or his/her designated alternate, and I am authorized by my district to cast the district's vote for Special District Representative to the Local Agency Formation Commission in this election.

(Date)

(Signature)

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SPECIAL DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVE CLASS I APPLICATION FORM

This application has been designed to provide pertinent information about each candidate applying for the position of Class I Special District Representative to LAFCO. Please read the application carefully and type or print your responses. Feel welcome to attach additional sheets if necessary.

Note: Class I districts include fire protection, community services, and life support districts.

Date Application Submitted: 11/4/2015

Name: Albert P. Giordano

Address: 1330 Wilson Road, Cloverdale

Home Phone: (707) 894-3745 Cell: _____ Work: _____

Name of District You Represent: Cloverdale Fire Protection District

Date of Most Current Appointment or Election: 2014

Date Term Expires: 2018 Total Years with District: 18

Indicate Involvement in Other Agencies/Special Districts:

Please see Attachment _____

Total Years Associated with Government/ Community Service: 52 years

List Community Service Activities including Names of Organizations and Dates of Service:

Please see Attachment _____

Have you attended LAFCO meetings? If so, when?

Almost all meetings from 2005 to present. _____

ALBERT P. GIORDANO

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Please explain why you want to serve on the Sonoma Local Agency Formation Commission

I want to continue to serve on the Sonoma County Local Agency Formation Commission (SCLAFCO), and to assist with the normal progression of development in the county. My extensive background with LAFCO and with city and special district government, will allow me to view proposals from a broader perspective. I believe that I would continue to be an asset to the commission.

From your perspective, explain the purpose of LAFCO:

In my opinion, the purpose of LAFCO is to provide an orderly process for annexations, city formations and establishment of special districts. To ensure that the services necessary to support these annexations, city formations and special districts needs will be in place to provide an open forum for review of issues by all interested parties..

Other Agencies/Special District Involvement

North Sonoma County District Hospital 2003-2012

- Finance & Budget Committee

Napa County Grand Jury 1995-1996

West Contra Costa County Sanitary District 1978-1995

- Day Shift Supervisor
- Developed Operations Manual

City Of Oakland Fire Department 1958-1973

- Company Officer
- Budget Committee
- Instructor

List Community Service Activities including Names of Organizations and Dates of Service

Sonoma County Fire Districts Association 2003-Present

Past President

Sonoma County Chapter of American Red Cross 1997-2012

Volunteer Manager of Disaster Assessment

Russian River Watershed Council 20001-2010

The Italian-American Cultural Foundation (of the East Bay) 1990-Present

President (2003-Preent)

Chairman of the Board (1990-2003)

RESUME

City of Oakland Fire Department

Production Manager Art Rattan Company of California

Supervisor West Contra Costa Sanitary District

Owner operator and wine maker of San Pietro Vineyard and Wine Company, Napa County

Napa County Grand Jury 1995-1996

Member of the Board of Directors of the Cloverdale Fire Protection District 1997 to present (currently the President of the Board)

Former Volunteer Disaster Assessment Function Manager with the American Red Cross of Sonoma County

Former member of the Finance and Budget Committee of the North Sonoma County Hospital District

President of the Italian-American Cultural Foundation of the East Bay

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Date Application Submitted: 11/10/2015

Name: Steven Klick

Address: 9145 Windsor Road, Windsor, CA 95492

Home Phone: 707-478-1349 Cell: 707-478-1349 Work: 707-838-3027

Name of District You Represent: Windsor Fire Protection District

Date of Most Current Appointment or Election: Dec 2014

Date Term Expires: Dec 2018 Total Years with District: 1

Indicate Involvement in Other Agencies/Special Districts:
None

Total Years Associated with Government/ Community Service: 3

List Community Service Activities including Names of Organizations and Dates of Service:
Rotary Club of Windsor, joined May 2013
Sonoma County Alliance - Joined 2015

Have you attended LAFCO meetings? If so, when?
No

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Please explain why you want to serve on the Sonoma Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO).

I want to serve the residents of Sonoma County. My scientific background and unique blend of experience could serve LAFCO well by providing an in depth analysis of each issue before LAFCO. As districts evolve with increased population I think options presented need to be looked at in great detail for longer term implications of decisions, some could be detrimental to some parties. In depth analysis and problem solving of very complex issues is something I do on a daily basis. I want to take this knowledge to provide the best possible service to the residents of Sonoma County.

From your perspective, explain the purpose of LAFCO:

LAFCO serves as a board to look at changes to boundaries that could have further reaching implications than just the proposed change. Example, An increase in a water district boundary may bring water service to a new area that could in turn encourage growth of that area, which may or may not be wanted by the affected area.

Steven J. Klick, PG, MBA

9145 Windsor Road | Windsor, CA 95492 | (707) 478-1349 | sklick2010@gmail.com

EMPLOYMENT

Project Geologist | IT Director

July 2012 – Present

Brusing Associates, Inc., Santa Rosa, CA

Project Geologist: Project Manager for numerous large and small scale engineering projects for both private and public agencies, provide technical expertise in environmental, hydrogeology and geological analysis. Public clients include the City of Santa Rosa, Sonoma County, Sonoma County Water Agency, The State of California, and the Golden Gate Bridge Highway and Transportation District. Provide business analysis of company financial data, budgets and contracts.

IT Director: Design, build and maintain entire IT infrastructure for the company including all workstations and servers. Design, program and implement internal database applications, network infrastructure. Analyze software solutions for business applications to improve company efficiency.

IT Director | Quality Control

July 2012 – Present

Signature Wine Lab, Santa Rosa, CA

IT Director: Implement and administrate Laboratory Information Management System (LIMS) which interprets data from analytical instruments. Built in-house database client relationship management (CRM) for marketing of the laboratory. Build and maintain company website including client login for access to results and invoices.

Quality Control: Built and maintain quality control program that includes quality control of analytical results, health and safety in a chemical laboratory, workload efficiency, streamline method development and validation, and that laboratory adheres to ISO 17025 certification.

Communications | Quality Control

September 2008 – March 2012

Vinnell, Brown and Root Spain and Agility First Support, Moron Air Base, Spain

Fire Communications Specialist: Assisted Fire Chief and Fire Inspector in maintaining quality control and training of NFPA standards for the Fire Department. Dispatched crews to both structural and aircraft emergencies. Conducted training of Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) software for other Fire Department employees.

Quality Control: Ensure that VBR Spain met its contractual obligations to the US Air Force. Respond to any inspector complaints and design remedies for the complaints.

Owner

September 2004 – January 2008

Vinoteca Restaurant, Malaga, Spain

Owned and operated a wine and tapas bar. Aside from the business management aspects, I was a fill in Chef and the in-house Sommelier. Served as judge for internationally accredited Wine Competition, awarded the best tapa in Malaga in 2007.

Web Programmer

July 2003 – August 2004

Perfil Web Design, Malaga, Spain

Web design, programming and translation.

Grad School/Geology Lecturer

August 1999 – May 2002

California State University, Chico

Geology lab instructor for General and Physical Geology

EDUCATION

Master of Business Administration

University of Phoenix, Phoenix, AZ

2010

Bachelor of Science Geology

California State University, Chico

1998

CERTIFICATIONS

California Professional Geologist #9266

HAZWOPPER 40 hour, plus current 8-hour refresher

Numerous DOD certifications related to First Responders

LANGUAGES

Spanish, fluent in written, oral and business negotiation.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Windsor Fire Protection District – Director since December 2015

The Rotary Club of Windsor – President Nominee 17/18 year, IT Chair

Engineers without Borders - Member

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Note: Class I districts include fire protection, community services, and life support districts.

Date Application Submitted: November 18, 2015

Name: Greg Karraker

Address: 1200 East Railroad Avenue, Cotati, CA 94931

Home Phone: 415.260.9905 Cell: 415.260.9905 Work: 415.260.9905

Name of District You Represent: Rancho Adobe Fire Protection District

Date of Most Current Appointment or Election: 11/2014

Date Term Expires: 12/2018 Total Years with District: 1

Indicate Involvement in Other Agencies/Special Districts:

SCFDA – Helped draft letter to Sonoma County on behalf of SCFDA

Total Years Associated with Government/ Community Service: 7

List Community Service Activities including Names of Organizations and Dates of Service:

Rancho Adobe Fire Protection District -- 11/2014 – present

Penngrove Social Firemen – 2009 – present

Have you attended LAFCO meetings? If so, when?

No.

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Please explain why you want to serve on the Sonoma Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO).

I am interested in serving in LAFCO because I believe that in Sonoma County, public safety frequently takes a back seat to other county initiatives, including the promotion of transit-oriented-development, high-density urban infill, traffic calming, and the lack of a serious commitment to road repair and appropriate funding for fire districts.

A professional communicator by trade, I have the proven ability to influence the actions of local governments, by using the power of logic, the press; and the ballot box. As a representative to LAFCO, I believe I can be a consistent, determined voice for common sense, and advocate successfully for the policies, funding, and respect that Sonoma County's independent fire districts deserve. When annexations are proposed, I want to look at their impact on emergency services, emergency service funding, and the consequences that annexations have on the tax base.

From your perspective, explain the purpose of LAFCO:

The stated purpose of LAFCO is to regulate the boundaries of cities and special districts. According to the LAFCO website, its objectives are:

1. To encourage the orderly formation of local government agencies and promote the efficient provision of public services.
2. To preserve agricultural land and open-space resources.
3. To promote orderly growth and discourage urban sprawl.

I would like to add a fourth objective: To achieve goal #1 in a fair and open way that balances the needs of all the citizens of Sonoma County, not just the ones who believe the only answer to every problem is urban infill.

Greg Karraker
Director, Rancho Adobe Fire Protection District
SVP, Chief Marketing Officer, VisiQuate, Inc,
1200 East Railroad Avenue Cotati, CA 94931
415.260.9905 greg@karraker.com

Public Safety and Civic Experience:

2014 – Present: Director, Rancho Adobe Fire Protection District. I placed my name on the ballot at the suggestion of Chief Frank Treanor and Battalion Chief Steve Davidson. Worked with SCFDA President Ernie Loveless and others to draft a request to County Administrator Veronica Ferguson to grant districts funding that would compensate all districts for the ERAF shift and the added costs of dispatch. I serve on the Negotiations Committee, the Long Range Planning Committee, and the Chief's Evaluation Committee.

2014: Stop SMART Barriers. In late 2014, SMART began installing poorly marked concrete barriers at grade crossings in Sonoma County. I contacted SMART, who was not responsive. I then contacted Channel 7 news, who did a story on the subject with Chief Treanor and me. I also posted a website on the danger. In May 2015, I helped organize a Town Hall meeting where Penngrove residents voiced their concerns to SMART officials, and Supervisor Rabbitt. Shortly thereafter, SMART removed the dangerous barriers from Main Street Penngrove. They have promised further changes.

2012: Treasurer, Cotati Citizens for Measure U: In addition to raising funds and gaining community involvement, I created the website and other campaign materials for the ballot initiative that prevented Cotati from reducing Old Redwood Highway from five lanes to two, and further restricting traffic by installing two closely-spaced roundabouts. The combination of narrower streets and roundabouts could have negatively impacted RAFPD response times,

2010: Founder, Downtown Cotati Flagpole Fund. In early spring, I noticed that the flagpole at the heart of downtown Cotati was empty, and learned that it had been for over two years. When I asked the city council to repair it, they did nothing for three months. I then started a drive to raise the needed funds. After the Press Democrat ran a story on the subject, the City of Cotati finally restored the flag.

Professional Experience:

2014 – Present: Senior Vice President & Chief Marketing Officer, VisiQuate, Inc. I create the marketing strategy, oversee the media and production budgets, map all customer touchpoints, and supervise and write all internal and external communications, including website, product ads, data sheets, brochures, videos, and presentations for this \$14 million business software company based in Santa Rosa.

1997- 2014: Principal, Karraker, Strand & Partners, an advertising creative service. I worked directly for a number of national clients, including Abbott Diabetes Care, Avery Business Products, Kaiser Permanente, McKesson, Pasta Pomodoro, and Wind River Systems, writing websites, print ads, and broadcast advertising. I also worked for a number of San Francisco advertising agencies, on behalf of their clients: Countrywide Home Loans, Crystal Cruises, Deloitte Consulting, Intel, Microsoft, and many others.

1995 - 1996: Partner, Creative Director, CKS Partners. I joined this integrated marketing company to bring advertising experience to their product mix. In one year, I led creative presentations that gave CKS 12

separate account/project wins for a total of \$45 million in capitalized billing. Clients included Microsoft, Fujitsu PC, and Philips Velo. Work included advertising, branding, new media, and annual reports. 1989 - 1995: Senior Partner, Group Creative Director, JWT/SF. Group head for Sun Microsystems. Also worked on Sprint, Kaiser Permanente, Mexicana Airlines, and Black Angus restaurants. In May 1992, I led the presentation for the California Lottery, and supervised this \$30 million account.

1987 - 1989: Greg Karraker Creative Services, SF.

1983 - 1986: Senior Vice President, Group Creative Director, DMB&B, SF.

1981 - 1983: Vice President, Associate Creative Director, Saatchi & Saatchi, SF.

1980 - 1981: Writer, Chiat/Day, SF.

1976 - 1980: Writer, Dailey & Associates, SF.

1974 - 1976: Writer, Wilton, Coombs & Colnett, SF.

1972 - 1974: Writer, Meltzer, Aron & Lemen, SF.

1970 - 1972: Writer, Vladimir & Evans, Miami.

1967 - 1970: Writer, Griswold-Eshleman, NY.

Personal:

I've been married for 35 years, and live just outside the city limits of Cotati, where my wife and I built an Arabian horse farm from bare dirt in 2000. She is the horse person; I design the outbuildings and manage the website: www.destinyarabians.net We are both members of Penngrove Social Firemen and the NRA. I am extremely interested and involved with local politics, because I believe that is where most citizens can actually influence the outcome of important issues. I am also a student pilot who first soloed a few years ago, and plan to begin the cross-country navigation training necessary to earn a pilot's license.

Education:

B.A. English, Journalism, Penn State, 1966. M.F.A. English, San Francisco State, 1974.

References: Available on request.

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Date Application Submitted: November 4, 2015_____

Name: Ernie Loveless_____

Address: P.O. Box 606 Vineburg, Ca. 95487_____

Home Phone: 707-935-6964_____ Cell: 707-338-7511_____ Work: N/A_____

Name of District You Represent: Schell-Vista Fire Protection District_____

Date of Most Current Appointment or Election: Nov. 2015_____

Date Term Expires: Jan. 2019_____ Total Years with District: 4_____

Indicate Involvement in Other Agencies/Special Districts:

Sonoma County Grand Jury -2 years_____ CASA Volunteer – 2 years_____

Sonoma County Fire Districts Association - President_____ Sonoma County Foster Parent 15 years_____

Total Years Associated with Government/ Community Service: 45 years_____

List Community Service Activities including Names of Organizations and Dates of Service:

Sonoma County Foster Parents Association – 1997 to present_____

Sonoma Valley Mentoring Alliance – Sept 2010 to 2012_____

Have you attended LAFCO meetings? If so, when?

Napa County LAFCO – 2005 to 2010 and Sonoma County LAFCO Sept. 2015_____

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Please explain why you want to serve on the Sonoma Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO).

I have served as a public servant working for and with the state and local governments for over 40 years. I retired five years ago from Cal Fire as a Unit Chief and I want to give back to the community that I live in. I have always had a great interest in local government and the role it plays in our lives.

Serving on Sonoma Local Agency Formation Commission and to be a part of the process of regulating land use in Sonoma County would be a great honor for me.

My experience in local government as a retired Fire Chief, knowledge of Special Districts rules and regulations as an elected Board member and my familiarization of county government from the times I have spent on the Grand Jury and local community groups make me well qualified to hold a position on the Sonoma County LAFCO as a representative.

From your perspective, explain the purpose of LAFCO:

*To provide oversight and to regulate cities and Special Districts boundaries,

*Regulate the orderly formation and expansion of local government agencies and

*Preserve agricultural lands and open space.

Ernie Loveless

P.O. Box 606 Vineburg, Ca. 95487

Home phone (707) 935-6964

Cell Phone (707) 338-7511

Personal Statement

I am 63 years old and retired after a forty year career in the fire service working for Cal Fire. I worked in numerous positions as I promoted up through the ranks from seasonal Firefighter to retire as the Unit Chief of the Sonoma-Lake-Napa Unit. My time since my retirement has been dedicated to family. I am married with 4 grown children and 7 grandchildren. My hobbies and interest include golfing, fishing and traveling as well as volunteering in a number of local community groups as listed below.

Work Experience

California Dept. of Forestry and Fire Protection – Cal Fire June 15, 1970 to June 14, 2010
1199 Big Tree Rd. St. Helena, Ca. 94574

(707) 967-1400

Fire Fighter- San Luis Obispo County, Fireman-San Mateo County, Fire Apparatus Engineer- Shasta County, Fire Captain- Tehama County, Battalion Chief Napa County, Division Chief- Solano County, Staff Chief, Northern Region and finally to Unit Chief for the Sonoma-Lake-Napa Unit for the last five years. Retiring on June 14, 2010.

Volunteer Work

Schell-Vista Fire Protection District Board Chair July 2012 – Present

Sonoma County Grand Jury, July 2011-July 2012

Sonoma County Grand Jury Foreperson, July 2012- July 2013

Sonoma Valley Mentoring Alliance, Sept. 2010 – June 2011

Sonoma County CASA Volunteer, Sept. 2013 – Present

Redwood Empire Foster Parents Association, January 2011 - Present

Education

Coleville High School – Graduated June 1970

Shasta Junior College – AA degree in Administration of Justice, June 1983

CDF P.O.S. T. Academy May 1981

References:

Ray Mulas (707) 695-8931

Brian Elliott (707) 480-1239

Gary Matto (707) 287-5482

Norm Cram (707) 939-1425

MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

Thursday, January 28, 2016

Place: Wolf House Restaurant @ Jack London Lodge
13740 Arnold Drive
Glen Ellen

When: Thursday, January 28, 2016
No Host Bar 6:00 pm
Dinner/Meeting 7:00 pm

Hosted by: Glen Ellen Fire Protection District

Program: Susan Blankenburg, FAIRA General Manager

Dinner Menu: *Choice of Entree:*
Pan Seared Chicken Piccata with Lemon Caper Sauce
OR
Slow Roasted Red Wine Beef Brisket with Horseradish Sauce
Caesar Salad
Grilled Vegetable Platter
Herb & Garlic Roasted Potatoes
Cheesecake with Raspberry Sauce
Served with coffee

Cost: \$35.00 per person

Payable to: Please make checks payable to:
Sonoma County Fire Districts Association

RSVP:

Please RSVP with entrée choice to:

Jennifer Crayne jcrayne@bbfpd.org or call
(707) 875-3700

Deadline to RSVP is Wednesday, January 20th

PLEASE NO LAST MINUTE RESERVATIONS



South Lake County Fire Protection District
— in cooperation with —
California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection

P.O. Box 1360 Middletown, CA 95461 - (707) 987-3089

December 14, 2015

Sonoma Valley Fire & Rescue Authority
630 Second Street West
Sonoma, CA 95476-6901

Chief Phillip M. Garcia,

The Board of Directors of the South Lake County Fire Protection District humbly thanks your department for responding to the Valley Fire. About 200 fire departments helped to contain the fire that is now known to be the third worst fire in California, destroying more than 1,100 homes and consuming about one third of the Fire District.

The outpouring of donations has been overwhelming. This generosity will aid in helping our community as we rebuild.

We again thank you for your courageous efforts and offer the enclosed certificate as a token of our appreciation.

Respectfully,

SOUTH LAKE COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Madelyn Martinelli'. The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'M'.

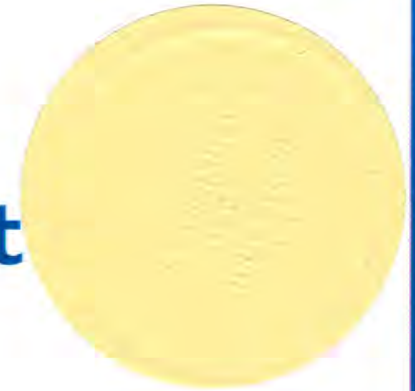
Madelyn Martinelli
President, Board of Directors

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South Lake County Fire Protection District


County of Lake, State of California

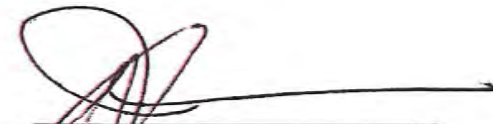


The community is genuinely grateful
to you for keeping them safe.


The Board of Directors wishes to thank
Sonoma Valley Fire & Rescue Authority
for responding to the Valley Fire.


Madelyn Martinelli
President


Theresa Foster
Vice President


Jim Abell
Director


Rob Bostock
Director


Jim Comisky II
Director

December 14, 2015

Customer Satisfaction Survey

#3

COMPLETE



Collector: Website Collector 2 (Website Survey)
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Q1: What was the nature of your contact with the Sonoma Valley Fire and Rescue Authority?

Public Assistance,
Other (please specify)
93 year old mother in law called for assistance

Q2: To help us improve our services, please rate the following items.

Our appearance:	Not Applicable
Our professionalism:	Excellent
Timeliness of our arrival:	Excellent
Compassionate care provided by personnel:	Excellent
Helpfulness of personnel:	Excellent
Overall service received from the Fire Department:	Excellent

Please feel free to add any comments below.

I didn't actually see the responders, but they quickly came to my mother in laws home when she had a problem with her "Lifeline" equipment. They have assisted her several times and have always been very professional and patient in dealing with her. Thanks to all involved it means a lot to us to know that she has all of you for back up. We live about two hours away and appreciate having good first responders to take care of emergencies.

Q3: If you would like to talk to a fire department representative about the services you received, please fill out the information below along with Section 4 . If you feel that any level of the service we provided was less than satisfactory, it would be very beneficial for us to contact you. We are also interested in hearing about our successes. The method of contact you most prefer is:

E-mail