

HUGHSON FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

2316 3RD STREET
HUGHSON, CA. 95326

August 12, 2026

CALL TO ORDER: 7:04PM

ROLL CALL:

(X) DAVID ABSHER (X) GUS VILLARREAL (X) TONY DOUDS (X) MIGUEL OSEGUERA (X) MARK HUGHES

STAFF ATTENDANCE: Chief Berner & Assistant Chief/Board Clerk Kelley

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR JULY 8, 2026, BOARD MEETING.

- Motion to approve by Villarreal, second by Oseguera, vote 5-0

APPROVAL OF THE WARRANTS: APPROVAL OF THE WARRANTS FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST 2026

- # 20780 thru # 20812 with no voids
 - Motion to approve by Hughes, second by Oseguera, vote 5-0

MOTION/DISCUSSION

- MOTION/DISCUSSION: NEW APPARATUS BAY TO REPLACE CURRENT STRUCTURES
 - No action, more to follow
- MOTION/DISCUSSION: LEGAL SERVICES PROPOSAL FROM BEST BEST & KRIEGER ATTORNEY AT LAW
 - Motion by Absher to enter into an agreement for legal services with Best Best & Krieger, second by Villarreal, vote 5-0
- MOTION/DISCUSSION: DIRECT ASSESSMENT FEE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2027
 - Motion by Villarreal to assess a 3.4% increase in the FY 27 Direct Assessment Fees based on August 12, 2026, CPI report, second by Hughes, vote 5-0
- MOTION/DISCUSSION: RESOLUTION NUMBER 2026-001 TO LEVY AND COLLECTION OF DIRECT ASSESSMENT WITHIN THE HUGHSON FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2027
 - Motion by Hughes to approve Resolution # 2026-01 by Villarreal, second by Hughes, vote 5-0
- MOTION/DISCUSSION: NEW FIVE-YEAR AGREEMENT WITH STANISLAUS COUNTY AUDITOR-CONTROLLER OFFICE FOR PROPERTY TAX AND DIRECT ASSESSMENT SERVICES
 - Motion by Hughes to approve agreement, second by Oseguera, vote 5-0

CHIEFS REPORT:

- Milage report, call report and status of E239 foam pump

FIREFIGHTERS ASSOCIATION BUSINESS:

- October 4th, 2026, Fire Prevention Open House hosted by the HVFFA

FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER:

- Chief Kelley advised BOD status on advocacy groups efforts with funding sources for HFPD

ADJOURNMENT: Motion to adjourn by Absher, second by Hughes, vote 5-0 at 7:49PM

Respectively Submitted

Randall Kelley

Secretary/Clerk to the Board of Directors