

Santa Margarita Fire Protection District
22375 El Camino Real
Santa Margarita, CA 93453
805-438-3185

SMFPD Board of Directors Meeting
Wednesday, July 10, 2024

MINUTES:

1. Call to Order/Roll Call: 5:01PM

Present: Chief Bob Murach; Directors: John Wilkins, Joel Switzer; Beth Gorrill

2. Warrants and expenditures were reviewed and approved

3. The July Minutes were read and approved

4. Action Items:

A: After discussion, the proposal to hire a part time district secretary was dismissed. Staff is managing ok at present.

B. Several queries to staff and Board members have been received from the public regarding Santa Margarita Fire not being dispatched to adjacent locations for medical aids and vehicle TC's. Chief Murach will inquire at next County Chief's meeting.

C. There have been no recent donations, nor expenditures.

D: Congressman Carbajal's office informed us that we have cleared the 2nd hurdle in the USDA grant of 1.2 million dollars

5. Chief's Report: We are waiting for County approval to purchase and install EMS skid for the new UTV.

The Meeting was adjourned at 5:35PM. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, August 14, 2024, at 5:00 PM at the Fire Station.

Submitted by:



Beth Gorrill, Board Secretary

NOTICE OF ELECTION
Elections Code Section 12112

SANTA MARGARITA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a governing board member election will be held in the above-named district on **Tuesday, November 5, 2024**, for the purpose of electing **Directors** as submitted by the District:

NUMBER TO BE ELECTED

ONE – ELECTED AT-LARGE

TERM OF OFFICE

4 YEARS

QUALIFICATIONS FOR OFFICE:

SHALL BE A REGISTERED VOTER OF THE DISTRICT

The Elections Division of the County Clerk-Recorder's Office, located at 1055 Monterey Street, Suite D-120, San Luis Obispo, urges interested candidates to call our office at 805-781-5228 to make an appointment to come in and obtain the Declaration of Candidacy.

The nomination period opens Monday, July 15, 2024, and will close at 5:00 PM, Friday, August 9, 2024. If the incumbent officer has not filed by August 9, 2024, the nomination period will be extended until Wednesday, August 14, 2024, for any person other than the incumbent to file for the office.

In the event there are no nominees or an insufficient number of nominees for each elective office, and a petition for an election is not filed with the elections official within the time period prescribed by law, appointment shall be made pursuant to Elections Code Section 10515.

Date: July 5, 2024

ELAINA CANO, County Clerk-Recorder

SPECIAL DISTRICT CALENDAR OF EVENTS
NOVEMBER 5, 2024, CONSOLIDATED PRESIDENTIAL GENERAL ELECTION

DATE/DEADLINE	EVENT
July 7, 2024 E-125 days EC §§10509, 10522	District Secretary completes and delivers to the County Elections Official, the Notice of Elective Offices to be filled, along with whether the district or the candidate is to pay for the publication of a statement of qualifications pursuant EC13307 and a map of the district's boundaries.
JULY 8 - AUG 7, 2024 E-120-90 Days EC Code §12112 EC §12113	<p>County Elections Official shall publish the Notice of Election for each district containing:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The date of the election 2. The office for which candidates may file 3. The qualifications for office 4. Location where candidates may file for office and the deadlines 5. Statement regarding appointments EC §10515 <p>In addition, the County Election Official shall, by a general press release, set forth the offices to be filled and a telephone number to call for information.</p> <p>County Elections Official shall deliver a copy of all published notices to the District Secretary for posting in the district office.</p>
JULY 15 - AUG 9, 2024 E-113-88 Days EC §§10510, 10603 HNC §6053 EC §10515	<p>Nomination Period - Candidates file declaration of candidacy forms and other related nomination documents with the County Elections Official. No person may file papers for more than one district office at the same election.</p> <p>Candidates for Harbor Commissioner must file nomination papers signed by 25 to 50 registered voters within the District.</p> <p>Insufficient Nominees - if by the close of nominations for a given office, there are insufficient or no nominees, and a petition requesting an election has not been filed, the district will not hold an election. Those candidates who filed Declarations of Candidacy will be appointed in-lieu of election by the Board of Supervisors. Upon recommendation of the District, the Board of Supervisors will make appointments where no candidates filed the requisite papers.</p>
AUG 9, 2024 E-88 Days EC §§10403	Last day for districts to file their resolutions requesting consolidation of their election with the November 5, 2024, General Election with the County Elections Official.
AUG 10 - AUG 14, 2024 E-87-83 Days EC §10604	Extended Filing Period- If an incumbent officer does not file a declaration of candidacy by August 9th, any person other than the incumbent , may file between these dates. The extension is not applicable if there is no incumbent to be elected.
AUG 12, 2024 E-85 Days EC §13307(3)	Last Day for a candidate to withdraw their Statement of Qualifications. Once filed, the statement cannot be changed, only withdrawn. If the office has a filing extension, the last day to withdraw the statement of qualifications is August 15th.
DEC 6, 2024 EC §10554	Term of Office begins. Prior to taking office, each elective officer shall take the official Oath of Office.
JAN 3, 2023 HNC §§6050, 6055, 6056	Term of Office for Harbor Commissioners begins at noon. Prior to taking office, each commissioner shall take the official oath and execute any bond required by the principal act.

* Denotes a date that falls on a County holiday or weekend. Deadline extends until the next business day.
EC = Election Code HNC = Harbors and Navigation Code (E-) = Election Day Minus

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5:00 PM at the Fire Station

AGENDA

- 1. Call to Order/Roll Call**
- 2. Reading/Approval of previous Minutes**
- 3. Action Items:**
 - A. Election Updates**
 - B. Weed abatement status and fines**
 - C. Expenditures**
 - D. Updates on Proposed New Station- review Architecture Report**
- 4. Chief's Report**
- 5. Public Comment**
- 6. Adjournment**