



**Mokelumne Rural Fire District
13157 E. Brandt Road
Lockeford, CA 95237
(209) 727-0564**

Meeting Minutes of May 6, 2026

*The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Mokelumne Fire District at Fire Station 13-1
13157 E. Brandt Road, Lockeford, CA 95237 at 6:00 p.m.*

- 1. CALL TO ORDER – ROLL CALL:** 6:00 p.m. by Mark Sperling
- 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Led by Mark Sperling
- 3. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:** None
- 4. LATE AGENDA ITEMS 54954.2 SUBSECTION (B) 2:** None
- 5. COMMUNICATIONS/CORRESPONDENCES:** The Chief received a letter from Unit 13 to open negotiations due to their MOU expiring on 6/30/26.
- 6. CONSENT ITEMS:**
 - 6.1 Approval of Minutes** – April 1, 2026, Regular Board Meeting Minutes:
Motion to Approve the minutes: Joe Valente
Second: John Anagnos, Vote: Motion passed 5-0
 - 6.2 Financial Reports/Expenses** - April 1, 2026 Board approval of Financial Expenses
Motion to Approve: Frank Schulz
Second: John Anagnos, Vote: Motion passed 5-0
 - 6.3 Warrant Approval** – Warrant Request \$28,000. Motion to accept the payment of bills and warrant request:
Motion to Approve: Andrew Lucchetti
Second: Frank Schulz, Vote passed 5-0.
 - 6.4 Budget Review** - Chief Weber went over the budget. Heather added that we are continuing to improve accounting accuracy. SJ County Reports have not been received at the time of the meeting so we were unable to see the April installment of property taxes received.
 - 6.5 Cyber Security Grant** - An expense/reimbursement report was given to each board member to review.
- 7. OLD BUSINESS**
 - 7.1 Discussion & Possible Action** – MSR Joint Ad-Hoc Committee update: No meeting for the month of April.
- 8. NEW BUSINESS**
 - 8.1 Discussion & Possible Action** – Private Safety Contractor – Tabled to the June 2026 meeting
 - 8.2 Discussion & Possible Action** – Board Policy Update – All the board members will be getting a new Brown Act Policy Book. The Chief went over some changes to the Board Policy & Procedures Manual. We will bring this back to the June meeting for further discussion.
 - 8.3 Discussion & Possible Action** – Ordinance development for Fire Requirements on PV & BESS Systems – The Chief has been checking out future sites for solar farms. The Chief is looking at being proactive on potential hazards and fire protection that these farms bring to the district.

8.4 **Discussion & Possible Action** – 2026/27 Fiscal Year Budget – The Chief and Admin Assistant went over the budget. This is a preliminary budget. It will be updated as we get closer to the end of the fiscal year.

9. STAFF AND FIRE CHIEFS REPORT

- 9.1 **Operations** – The Chief went over the calls for service. Fire Impact fees are expected to be on the San Joaquin County Board agenda in June. Still looking into dispatching centers. The Chief has a meeting with McNerney’s office on May 11th in regards to the light at Hwy 88 and Brandt Rd. Seasonal fire fighters will start on May 25th for a week of day shift and then go on to A, B and C Shift. The Chief expressed interest in a fork lift from the Federal Excess Equipment and we are waiting to hear back from them.
- 9.2 **Prevention/Public Education** – Chief discussed solar projects that are coming into the area. There is a proposed gas station/store at the corner of Hwy 88 and Victor Road.
- 9.3 **Training** – The Chief attended the FDAC Conference last month.
- 9.4 **USAR Association Update** – An update on the financials was given to each board member. St. Joachim's church will be charging the district for the use of the hall this year. A trailer was donated to the district to use for transportation of the boats and USAR equipment.

10.COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC: None

11.EXECUTIVE SESSION (Closed Session) Mark Sperling reported the board would enter closed session at 7:51 p.m.

11.1 Section 54957.6: Personnel Section

Director Mark Sperling reported that the board returned from closed session at 8:01 p.m.

Director Mark Sperling announced the Fire Fighters contract is coming up and asked the Chief to come back with some proposed figures.

12.ADJOURNMENT – Board meeting adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

Next Meeting June 3, 2026 At 6:00 P.M.

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Respectfully Submitted

Mark Weber, Fire Chief



Board of Director Signature