

# Rancho Adobe Fire Protection District

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**MINUTES OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING  
JUNUE 13, 2023 — 3:00 P.M.  
PENNGROVE FIRE STATION - 11000 MAIN STREET  
PENNGROVE, CALIFORNIA**

**I. CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Committee Chairman, Mark Hemmendinger, called the Finance Meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. The agenda for this meeting was posted on June 8, 2023.

Directors Present: Mark Hemmendinger, Bob Moretti, Ray Peterson

Staff Present: Chief Veliquette, Herb Wandel, Eric Gromala, James Deurloo, Jennifer Bechtold

Minutes Conducted by: Jennifer Bechtold

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

**II. ORAL AND WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS**

A. Citizen Business/Public Comments on Items not appearing on Agenda

There was no comment from the public.

**III. FINANCIAL OFFICERS REPORT**

A. Discussion on Financing Options for Penngrove Fire Station Remodel

The committee reviewed four loan proposals for the Penngrove fire station remodel: \$550K @ 5 years, \$550K @ 10 years, \$1.1 million @5 years and \$1.1 million @ 10 years. Interest rates for the five-year loans are 4.25% and the 10-year loan interest rate is 4.35%. The documentation fee on any size loan is \$13,500 and the repayment penalty has been waived. Should the sales tax measure pass in March 2024, the outstanding loans could be repaid once those funds are deposited after January 2025.

There was discussion regarding the 1.25 debt service ratio and the District will be in compliance both this fiscal year and next, however FY 24/25 would be the first year potentially falling under the 1.25.

The committee agreed the loan for \$550K over 10 years makes the most sense for the District. The annual payment on this loan would be \$70,690.00.

**IV. ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business to discuss, the finance committee meeting was adjourned at 3:56 p.m.

Motion moved by Mr. Hemmendinger and seconded by Mr. Peterson.

Respectfully submitted,

*Jennifer Bechtold*  
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Jennifer Bechtold, Board Clerk