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RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
Fairmount Fire Protection District
Board of Directors Regular Meeting
December 13, 2023

President Director Craig Corbin called to order the Regular Business Meeting of the Fairmount Fire Protection District Board of Directors on Wednesday, December 13, 2023, at 4:00 P.M.

MOMENT OF SILENCE:

A moment of silence was observed for all fallen firefighters and police officers.

ROLL CALL:

Board Members:

Robert Wilson, President (absent)

Tom Young, Vice President (virtually attended)

Holly Neumann, Secretary

Nate Farley, Treasurer

Craig Corbin, Director

Also, present were Deputy Chief Snyder as Acting Fire Chief, Human Resources Amber Oeltjenbruns, and Attorney for the District, Kelley Duke (virtually attended).

Fairmount District personnel: Lt. Carson, Battalion Chief Bassett, Battalion Chief Gold, Eng. Shocklee, Lt. Piwko, FF Thomas-Anaya, Lt. Kriegbaum, Eng. Payne, FF Cunningham, and Chief Ipentenco.

GUESTS PRESENT:

Arvada Fire Protection District personnel, Arvada Acting Chief Lock, Division Chief Lugenbill and Finance Director Nicole Stewart.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:

The Board reviewed the agenda for the December 13, 2023, Regular Board Meeting.

On a motion by Secretary Neumann with a second by Treasurer Farley, the Board voted to approve the agenda for the December 13, 2023, Regular Board Meeting.



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APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

On a motion by Vice President Young with a second by Secretary Neumann, the Board approved the minutes from the October 11, 2023, Regular Board Meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENTS/GUEST SPEAKERS:

No public Comments.

Presentation on the accreditation process given by Jen Sliemers, Arvada Fire.

2024 Budget Approval

On a motion by Secretary Neumann, with a second by Treasurer Farley, the Board unanimously voted to open the public hearing on the 2024 Budget. Attorney Duke certified that the budget hearing was duly noticed and published in all appropriate locations and that the budget hearing is now open for comment.

No public comment on the 2024 budget was presented and District personnel stated for the record that neither the District nor Legal Counsel received any written comments on the 2024 Budget.

On a motion by Secretary Neumann, with a second by Treasurer Farley, the Board unanimously voted to close hearing on the 2024 Budget.

The floor was open for any Board questions prior to approval of the 2024 Budget. Director Corbin asked Finance Director Stewart to explain the mill levy and any adjustments that can be made, based on the change to the residential assessment as a result of recent legislative actions Ms. Stewart explained the calculation adjustments which, if necessary, would be made once the District has received the final assessed valuation.

Attorney Kelley Duke provided further detail on the budget and mill levy process.

On a motion by Vice President Young, with a second by Secretary Neumann, the Board unanimously voted to approve the 2024 Budget and adopt Resolution 22023.12.13_00, the Certified Omnibus Resolution on the 2024 Budget.

Adoption of the 2024 Board Meeting Schedule

On a motion by Vice President Young, with a second by Secretary Neumann, the Board unanimously voted to adopt the 2024 Board Meeting Schedule.

CHIEF'S REPORT:

(See Attached Chief's Report)

Deputy Chief Snyder reported on items included in the written report, highlighting information

related to Finance, Fire and Life Safety, and Planning and support services.

Deputy Chief Snyder updated the Board on the status of a former firefighter now with South Adams County Fire, who was severely injured while on duty. Discussion was brought up about a possible fundraiser for him and his family. It was determined that the District cannot use public funds for this situation, but the Local Union can.

Deputy Chief Snyder recognized Lt. Piwko for his work in fire and line safety and the community fire protection project. His work was valuable, and he did an amazing job.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

Ms. Stewart made a presentation on the 2024 Budget.

Ms. Stewart provided an overview of the November Financial statement indicating that the District's revenue and expenditures are tracking as expected.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

(See attached Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance - Budget and Actual) The Board reviewed the Financial Statement.

On a motion by Director Corbin, with a second by Vice President Young, the Board unanimously voted to approve the Financial Statement ending December 13, 2023, as presented.

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

Secretary Neumann read a "Thank-You" card directed to FFPD from Fairmount Elementary for supporting the silent auction.

OLD BUSINESS:

The Board discussed Ireland Stapleton's Retainer Services for 2024 and voted on the options the Board would like regarding those services. The Board has chosen to receive legal advisements and attendance at Board meetings.

NEW BUSINESS:

No new business reported.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT:

Attorney Duke discussed selecting Deputy Chief Snyder as Fire Chief. An internal posting must be made in advance of the Board appointing Deputy Chief Snyder as the Fire Chief the District. The internal posting, however, may advise all other applicants of the Board's intent to appoint Deputy Chief Snyder to this position. After the posting is made, a special meeting to appoint him can be called over the phone to finalize the decision.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

No executive session called.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

No announcements were made.

ADJOURNMENT:


On a motion by Secretary Neumann, with a second by Treasurer Farley, the meeting adjourned at 4:48 p.m.

APPROVAL:

We attest that the foregoing minutes, which have been approved by the affirmative majority record of the meeting held on the date stated above.



Nate Farley, Treasurer



Holly Neumann, Secretary