

Minutes
Summit Fire & EMS Fire Protection District
Regular Board Meeting
Tuesday November 16, 2021
0035 County Shops Road, Frisco, CO
with TeleCon Attendance Option Available

Call to Order:

The Regular meeting of the Summit Fire & EMS Fire Protection District ("District") Board of Directors ("Board") was called to order at 9:00 AM.

Roll Call:

Board Members present were Lori Miller, Jen Barchers, Ben Broughton, Jim Lee, and Linda St. John. Staff members in attendance were Chief Travis Davis, Deputy Chief John Wilkerson, Division Chiefs James Woodworth and Kim McDonald, Battalion Chiefs Kelly Wagner and Ryan Cole, Captain Kevin Skaer, Community Resource Officer Steve Lipsher, Human Resources Manager Matt Scheer, Accounting Supervisor Jessica Fuller, Board Secretary/Finance Manager Mary Hartley, Legal Counsel Emily Powell, and other staff including Aaron Kaltenbach, Kyle Iseminger, Mike Williams, Frank Towers, Shauna Rial, Sage Miller, Meghan Layfield, Richard Maturino, Scott Benson and Martha Bird.

Guests:

Chris Romano, Union President
Joe Ben Slivka
Jill Maturino
Austin Breuninger

Approval of Agenda:

M/S/P Broughton and Lee to approve the agenda as presented.
Vote: All in favor, none opposed.

Public Comments:

None

Public Hearing on the Draft 2022 Budget for the Summit Fire & EMS Fire Protection District General Fund:

Chief Davis and Finance Manager Hartley updated the Board on the proposed 2022 Budget for the Summit Fire & EMS Fire Protection District General Fund, including the Snake River Fleet Services Fund ("2022 Budget").

M/S/P St. John and Lee to open the public hearing on the proposed 2022 Budget at 9:01 AM.
Vote: All in favor, none opposed.

Attorney Powell advised the Board that notice of the public hearing was published in the Summit County Journal on November 5, 2021 per the Colorado Local Government Budget, and the

District did not receive any public comment regarding the 2022 Budget prior to the hearing. There were no comments by members of the public in attendance. M/S/P Broughton and Lee to close the public hearing at 9:02 AM. Vote: All in favor, none opposed.

2022 Budget Adoption Resolution:

Chief Davis and Finance Manager Hartley reviewed the changes made to the 2022 Budget since the October Board meeting. After questions and discussions:

M/S/P Miller and Lee to approve Resolution 2021-13 adopting the 2022 Budget as presented, subject to nonmaterial modifications required as the result of the Assessor's final certification of values received in December and assessments made by the Summit County Fire Authority and 911 Communications Center. Vote: All in favor, none opposed.

Consent Agenda:

The following items were presented:
Minutes: October 19, 2021 Regular meeting
Warrants: October 16, 2021 – November 12, 2021
Financial Report for all funds - October 2021
After discussion and questions,

M/S/P Lee and Broughton to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Vote: All in favor, none opposed.

New Business:

Employee Introduction, Oath and Pinning

HR Manager Scheer gave the Oath and badge pinning to Firefighter EMT Sage Miller, Inspector Meghan Layfield, and Inspector Richard Maturino.

Draft 2022 Board of Directors and Pension Board of Trustees Meeting Schedule

Finance Manager Hartley presented the Draft 2022 Board of Directors and Pension Board of Trustees meeting schedule.

Continued Business:

Mill Levy Ballot Issue 6A Update-

Chief Davis reported on the successful passing of the District's mill levy ballot issue 6A and complimented everyone involved.

Discussion on SB21-293 and the impacts to special districts:

Attorney Powell updated the Board on Proposition 120 and SB21-293. Proposition 120, if passed, would have had the effect of reducing residential and commercial assessment rates statewide. In the last days of the 2021 legislative session, the Colorado State Legislature passed SB21-293, which was intended to blunt the impact of Proposition 120 if it passed. Although Proposition 120 did not pass, SB21-293 remains state law. The effect of SB21-293 is a two-year reduction of certain property tax assessment rates in assessment years 2022 and 2023 for collection in calendar years 2023 and 2024. However, the District's revenue stabilization (then called "de-

gallagherization") ballot issue that passed in 2020 is broadly worded and will allow the District to adjust its mill levy as necessary to recapture any revenue lost as the result of these reductions in assessment rates, so that the revenue collected by the District in 2023 and 2024 will be the same as though such reductions had not occurred.

Staff Reports:

Attorney: In addition to the written report, Attorney Powell reported that her firm will soon be sending legal advisements regarding the mill levy certification process and budget adoption process, as well as a template Resolution adopting the Board meeting schedule and notice posting location for 2022. A new law passed in 2021 will allow flexibility in holding meetings either in person, virtually or hybrid. An additional legal advisement will be coming out this week about the Covid-19 vaccine mandates.

High Country Training Center: In addition to the written report, Director Miller reported that the next Board meeting will be held in early December. Division Chief Hall's last day was November 11, 2021 and he was sent off with a big thanks for his time leading the Training Center. The 2022 staff will include the transition of Jen Oese from the District to Red, White and Blue FPD. There is also interest in the two open training Captain positions.

Wildland All Matters: Director Lee reported the next wildland meeting will be held this Thursday.

Finance: In addition to the written report, Finance Manager Hartley reported attending the Risk Limiting Audit for the November 2021 election at the County courthouse with Accounting Supervisor Jessica Fuller. The final certification of the election will be available the week of Thanksgiving. Finance Manager Hartley reported sending out the 2021-2025 audit request for proposals to CPA firms. Finance Manager Hartley thanked the Board for passing the 2022 budget.

Human Resources: Nothing in addition to the written report.

Community Resource Officer: In addition to the written report, CRO Lipsher invited the Board to a final thank you Fire Corps dinner on December 2, 2021 at 6:00 pm.

Community Risk Division: Nothing in addition to the written report.

Admin Support Services: Nothing in addition to the written report.

OPS/EMS Services: Nothing in addition to the written report.

Fire Chief: In addition to the written report, Chief Davis shared that he will be out of the office November 22 – 25 and December 27 – 30, 2021.

Board Comments

Director Miller congratulated Senior Paramedic Wendy Miller for her tremendous award and thanked local union 4528 for attending the Board meeting.

Adjournment:

M/S/P Lee and St. John to adjourn the meeting at 10:49 AM.

Vote: All in favor, none opposed.

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Mary Hartley, Board Secretary

Approved this _____ day of 1/18/2022 2022.

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Lori A. Miller, Board President