



Basalt & Rural Fire Protection District

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RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

BASALT & RURAL FIRE PROTECTION BOARD MEETING June 18, 2024

Call to order: President Van Walraven called the June 18, 2024, Basalt Fire Board meeting to order at 5 pm.

Roll Call: President Van Walraven, Vice President Duroux, Treasure Young, Board Member Foster, Board Member Williams, Chief Thompson, Finance Director Thompson, Deputy Chief Cornelius, Executive Assistant Diamond, HR Director Thomas.

Approval of Minutes: Board Member Williams motioned to accept the minutes from May 21, 2024. Vice President Duroux seconded the motion. All members approved the minutes; none opposed them.

Chief report: Chief Thompson reviewed remodeling and additional space for the new Station 42 building plans. Chief Thompson said they are still planning on starting with the maintenance facility, training facility, and admin Station 42 remodel.

-Chief Thompson told the Board that if the Pitkin County Emergency Dispatch Center wants to move here, RFFRA needs to know by the end of summer 2024.

-Board Member Williams asked when we were taking down the fence. Chief Thompson told the Board that the Crawfords would be moving it, but he did not know the time frame.

-Chief Thompson said a stick vs. metal building will be pending on whether or not dispatch is moving in.

-Chief Thompson said there was no quorum for location and extent, which is unnecessary, but Chief Thompson will need to wait 30 days to apply with planning and zoning. Chief Thompson wants to make sure the public can speak. Chief Thompson scheduled a July appointment for planning and zoning. Chief Thompson said he thinks they will apply for a building permit for the maintenance building in September.

-Chief Thompson said next spring, the Station 42 remodel will begin.

-Chief Thompson said the contract for the building is just for pre-construction.

Finance report: Finance Director Thompson said the audit for Basalt was satisfactory, and we came in under budget. Finance Director Thompson said there was some reclassification for Station 46, but the bottom line for 2023 remained the same. Finance Director Thompson said unless questions are raised, she will tell the auditor that we are satisfied and have them create a final draft.

-Finance Director Thompson informed the Board the FPPA pension agreement between the district and FPPA needed updating. Finance Director Thompson said the agreement outlines the current benefits and describes their responsibilities and what our responsibilities are. Treasurer Young asked if there were any major changes in the contract. Finance Director Thompson said there are no major changes.

-Treasurer Young motioned for a resolution to sign the Affiliation Agreement entered into by and between the Basalt & Rural Fire Protection District (hereinafter referred to as the *Employer* and the Fire and Police Pension Association (hereinafter referred to as the FPPA) to become effective on May 21, 2024. Vice President Duroux seconded the motion. There was no discussion, and the resolution passed, and none opposed.

-Finance Director Thompson informed the Board that they are collecting a 4.7% interest rate for the bond, which is earned revenue that will help with some of the overages. Finance Director Thompson informed the Board that the interest rate fluctuates slightly, but we should be good until at least November or December.

Human Resources Report: None

Deputy Cornelius Report: None

Public Comments: None

Board Comments: None

Staff Comments: Finance Director Thompson informed the Board that she is doing payroll for the Board, and they will be paid by Wednesday.

Old Business: None

New Business: None

Adjournment: Board Member Williams motioned to adjourn the meeting, and Vice President Duroux seconded the motion. There was no discussion, and the meeting ended at 5:31 pm.

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