



Basalt & Rural Fire Protection District

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RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

BASALT & RURAL FIRE PROTECTION BOARD MEETING May 21, 2024

Call to Order: Basalt and Rural Fire Protection District on May 21, 2024 at 16:58

Roll Call: President Van Walraven, Vice President Duroux, Treasurer Young, Board Member Foster, Board Member Williams, Chief Thompson, Finance Director Thompson, Deputy Chief of Administration Issel, Executive Assistant Diamond, Deputy Chief of Operations Cornelius, and HR Director Thomas.

Minutes: Board Member Foster motioned to accept the April 16, 2024 minutes. Vice President Duroux seconded the motion. President Van Walraven discussed adding the word dollars where it says 3 million. All members were in favor, none opposed.

Chief's Report: Chief Thompson discussed various important topics related to legal matters, property development, and fire station construction:

- Chief Thompson's detailed reports on completing the property sale for Station 42, including a subdivision exclusion with attorney guidance.
- Chief Thompson presented a housing plan for a spot initially slated for five units, which is now being planned for nine units.
- Chief Thompson presented plans for a proposed fire training building with admin and training areas, including a conceptual drawing for the Board to see.
- Chief Thompson and the Board discussed the possibility of the regional dispatch center moving in, as it would have access to mountaintop microwaves and fibers.
- Chief Thompson updated the Board on the progress of the vehicle maintenance building and firehouse planning for Station 42.
- Chief Thompson discussed with the Board the challenges faced in the approval process and the need to adhere to regulations for life safety.

- Chief Thompson said the goal for breaking ground on utilities is the summer.
- Chief Thompson informed the Board of the Pano AI camera installation.

Finance Report: Finance Director Thompson said the bond information is in the packets for 31.8 million dollars. Finance Director Thompson said that at the end of April, \$337,000 in interest was earned since the beginning of the year. Finance Director Thompson noted that the Board could see what had been spent and that line items would be added. Finance Director Thompson said the backfill money came in the first bond payment of \$675,000 due in June.

Public Comments: None

Board member Comments: President Van Walraven informed the Basalt Board that the Authority Board approved a bonus for Thompson.

Staff Comments:

- Chief Thompson informed the Board that we are hanging some photos along with Wally Dallenbach Sr's uniform at Station 41.
- Chief Thompson told the Board that the crew at Station 41 had named the ambulance Wally!
- Board Member Young encourages at least one board member to speak at public events for future engagements to say thank you to them.

Old Business: None

New Business: None

Executive Session (if needed): None

Adjournment: Board member Williams motioned to adjourn the meeting; Board member Foster seconded the motion. There was no discussion, and the meeting ended at 17:26.

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