

MASON COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT 6

BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS' BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

10-19-2021

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

1.1 Called to order at 10:00 am by Chair Comm. Richard Heinrich.

1.2 Commissioner Richard Heinrich, Commissioner Michael Sheetz & Commissioner Troy Woodard in attendance.

2.0 CONSENT AGENDA

2.1 MINUTES: 9-21-2021 business meeting minutes & 10-13-2021 special meeting minutes.

2.2 VOUCHERS: 6866-6970 totaling \$211,668.36.

2.3 ADOPTION OF TREASURERS REPORT

**MOTION: Commissioner Sheetz motioned to approve the consent agenda as presented.
Commissioner Woodard 2nd**

Discussion/Vote: All in favor; motion passes.

3.0 MEETING BUSINESS

3.1 JEFF BRITTIG PUBLIC RECORDS LAWSUIT: The board was briefed on the Brittig vs. MCFD 6 lawsuit. The board called for a 60-minute executive session to consult with legal counsel Jeffrey Myers (42.30.110 1(i)). Chair Heinrich started the executive session at 10:02 am. Chair Heinrich ended the Executive session at 11:00 am.

MOTION: Commissioner Sheetz motioned to direct district attorney to proceed as discussed in the executive session. Commissioner Woodard 2nd

Discussion/Vote: All in favor; motion passes.

3.2 FIRE LEVY LID LIFT: Staff presented the status of the campaign. The board and staff discussed the informational campaign.

RECESS: Chair Heinrich called for a recess from 11:13 am to 11: 16 am.

3.3 LAW ENFORCEMENT RESPONSE CHANGES (HB 1310): The board and staff discussed HB 1310 and how it has affected law enforcement's response to suicide/ acts of violence calls. Staff will continue to brief the board as more information becomes available.

3.4 2022 BUDGET PROCESS: Staff and the board discussed the process the district will use to craft, review, and finally adopt the 2022 operating budget. Staff introduced the 2022 very rough draft preliminary budget for the board to review.

3.5 RE CROSS CONTRACT: staff and the board discussed the presented Red Cross contract. Staff gave a recommendation to accept the contract.

MOTION: Commissioner Sheetz motioned to approve the facility use agreement as presented and to authorize Fire Chief Volk to sign on behalf of the board. Commissioner Woodard 2nd

Discussion/Vote: All in favor; motion passes.

3.6 SUSPENSION OF VOLUNTEER STIPEND PROGRAM: Chief Volk led a discussion as to why he thinks the volunteer stipend program needs to be suspended indefinitely. The board and staff discussed the issue.

MOTION: Commissioner Woodard motioned to suspend the volunteer stipend program indefinitely. Commissioner Sheetz 2nd

Discussion/Vote: All in favor; motion passes.

3.7 REQUEST TO HIRE TEMPORARY STAFFING: Chief Volk led a discussion as to why he thinks the fire district needs to hire temporary staffing to make up for a lack of volunteer response. The board and staff discussed the issue.

MOTION: Commissioner Sheetz motioned to authorize the reallocation of the volunteer stipend line to be used to hire up to four (4) temporary employees in compliance with the terms of the hiring of temporary staff proposal. Commissioner Woodard 2nd

Discussion/Vote: All in favor; motion passes.

MOTION: Commissioner Woodard motioned to approve the temp. employment contracts as endorsed by attorney Brian Snure. Commissioner Sheetz 2nd

Discussion/Vote: All in favor; motion passes.

MOTION: Commissioner Sheetz motioned to authorize Fire Commissioner Rich Heinrich, Fire Commissioner Mike Sheetz, or Fire Commissioner Troy Woodard to sign the temp. employment contracts on behalf of the district. Commissioner Woodard 2nd

Discussion/Vote: All in favor; motion passes.

3.8 PRO BOARD PROGRAM REPORT: Staff presented the annual profit/loss report to all advance training classes. The board reviewed the report and discussed.

3.9 TRUNK OR TREAT EVENT: Staff advised the board that the fire district is participating in the annual trunk or treat event. The board and staff discussed the details of the event.

3.10 CORONA (COVID-19) VIRUS UPDATE: Discussion on the current statistics and mandates placed by the governor.

4.0 ADJOURN

4.1 Commissioner Woodard motioned to adjourn the meeting at 12:09 am.

Commissioner Sheetz 2nd

Discussion, Vote: All in favor/Motion passes.