## **FLORISSANT FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT**



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## BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES Held At 2606 W. Hwy 24 Florissant, CO 80816 Special Meeting July 10,2022 5:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order and conducted by President, Joe Kraudelt at 1708

**Roll Call:** President, Joe Kraudelt Amanda Sutton Starla Thompson Acting Chief, Erik Holt

**INTRODUCTION:** President-Joe Kraudelt addressed the group explaining that the executive session listed was only to find out if those persons were still interested in the remaining two open positions on the board. Amanda Sutton addressed the group and introduced herself and listed her credentials and desires as a new board member. Starla Thompson introduced herself to the group explained that she is not certified as an EMT but wants to serve the community as a board member.

There are two candidates that were selected as alternates by the County Commissioners who have been contacted individually and have said they will serve on the board; they have been vetted by the Commissioners. Justin Snare and James McGovern were selected. Amanda Sutton made a motion to accept Justin Snare and James McGovern as the third & forth board positions and seconded by Joe Kraudelt with all in favor.

James McGovern took the oath of office. Justin Snare then took the oath of office.

**COMMUNICATIONS:** Starla asked how communications will work from here forward. Joe advised that the new board members will have Florissant Fire Department emails set up along with communications through the Department's website.

Starla also brought up a request that any action items that are needing to have action taken by the board and to keep track of those items that those items remain on the agenda under old business until such time that those items are resolved. Amanda made a motion to table this topic until we have all four board members present at a future meeting.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** Someone asked if Joe was going to remain on the board and Joe advised that he would remain on the board until the next regular meeting and then be there as advisory capacity only. Regular meetings are now the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday each month since last August.

Dennis Schorn brought up that the fuel tanks were empty and wanted to know if the bills are paid, he also requested a status on all equipment and what is working and what is not. He would like to see grant status.

Rich Graham, CME, stated that the board should allow persons to speak their issues openly and fully.

We wish for transparency. What does transparency mean to the board? Can the financials be put on the website? Can the new board members put their biographies on the website, so we know who you are?

Amanda stated we plan to have public meetings discussing action items with input from you all. "If I know it and your allowed to know it, then you will know it too."

Get to know your volunteers, train them on radios and etc. Put the volunteers first, listen to them. Safety first.

Are you going to look at bringing back Bailey? That was a huge discussion at the town hall meeting about that. The Board, that is not an item of discussion today. If Erik Holt is put in the Chief's position, we will not be here. We, the board, will look at this as a unit, not individually.

Suggestion-Have a person at the table to represent the fire fighters.

Adjourn: Meeting was adjourned at 1823