



Durango Fire Protection District

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Minutes of the DFPD Special Board Meeting Tuesday, December 12, 2023, 8:00 a.m. 142 Sheppard Dr

President Karen Barger called to order the meeting of the Durango Fire Protection District Board of Directors at 8:05 a.m. Board members present for the Call to Order were Steve List via zoom, Rob Farino, Tina McCallum, Samantha Gallagher, John Dezendorf and Lyle McKnight. Staff members included Fire Chief Randy Black, Finance Director Eric Baker, Fire Marshal Karola Hanks, Fleet and Facilities Director Howard Smith, and Administrative Assistant Katie Pounds. Legal Counsel Bud Smith was also in attendance.

AGENDA: Additions, Deletions, Revisions: none

ANNOUNCEMENTS/PRESENTATIONS: none

PUBLIC COMMENT: No public comment.

REPORTS:

Chief Report: Fire Chief Randy Black reported that he's working with the contractors on getting final numbers for the downtown station. Chief Black stated he and Finance Director Eric Baker will be getting with the Finance Committee about costs. The downtown station has code approval. The station will be go before the Design Review Board on December 14. The City looks to be moving out of the building mid-January. The projected date of DFPD moving into the updated downtown station is Spring of 2025. Chief Black reported DFPD closed on the 9-R building/River City Hall exchange and 103 Sheppard Dr on November 17. There will need to be some work done on 103 Sheppard to get it functional for DFPD Admin to move in by late-January/early-February. There was brief discussion about the tenants currently renting space in 103 Sheppard.

Finance Report: Finance Director Eric Baker presented the financial report for October 2023.

NEW BUSINESS

- a. **Public Hearing-2023 Amended Budget:** Legal Counsel Bud Smith stated the public hearing was published in the Durango Herald as required. No public comment.
- b. **Consideration and possible action on Resolution 2023-11: RESOLUTION FOR SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET AND APPROPRIATION FOR 2023 BUDGET:** *A motion was made by Samantha Gallagher to approve Resolution 2023-11 – RESOLUTION FOR SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET AND APPROPRIATION FOR 2023 BUDGET, seconded by Tina McCallum. Motion carried unanimously.*
- c. **Public Hearing-2024 Budget:** Legal Counsel Bud Smith stated the public hearing was published in the Durango Herald as required. No public comment.
- d. **Consideration and possible action on Resolution 2023-12: RESOLUTION TO ADOPT 2024 BUDGET:** There was discussion on the compensation portion and capital funds portion of

the budget. A motion was made by Tina McCallum to approve Resolution 2023-12 – RESOLUTION TO ADOPT 2024 BUDGET, seconded by Samantha Gallagher. Motion carried unanimously.

- e. **Consideration and possible action on Resolution 2023-13: RESOLUTION TO APPROPRIATE SUMS OF MONEY:** A motion was made by Tina McCallum to approve Resolution 2023-13 – RESOLUTION TO APPROPRIATE SUMS OF MONEY, seconded by Samantha Gallagher. Motion carried unanimously.
- f. **Consideration and possible action on Resolution 2023-14: RESOLUTION TO SET MILL LEVIES:** Finance Director Eric Baker reported that, because of the additional legislation from the state the date of final valuations has been extended to January 3, 2024. The number is expected to change and will need to be certified. A motion was made by Samantha Gallagher to approve Resolution 2023-14 – RESOLUTION TO SET MILL LEVIES, seconded by Rob Farino. Motion carried unanimously.
- g. **Consideration and possible action on Resolution 2023-15: RESOLUTION APPROVING AN UPDATED FIRE PREVENTION FEE SCHEDULE:** There was discussion as to the reason it takes so long to get the Fire Prevention Fee Schedule updated to the latest standard. A motion was made by Samantha Gallagher to approve Resolution 2023-15 – RESOLUTION APPROVING AN UPDATED FIRE PREVENTION FEE SCHEDULE, seconded by Tina McCallum.
- h. **Consideration and possible action on Resolution 2023-16: RESOLUTION APPROVING AN UPDATED FEE SCHEDULE FOR AMBULANCE AND EMS BILLING:** There was brief discussion on the justification of the raise in EMS fees due to the rate not having been raised since 2018. A motion was made by Lyle McKnight to approve Resolution 2023-16 – RESOLUTION APPROVING AN UPDATED FEE SCHEDULE FOR AMBULANCE AND EMS BILLING, seconded by Tina McCallum.

President Karen Barger adjourned the meeting at 8:58 a.m.


Karen Barger, President

1/23/2024
Date

Attest:

Katie Rounds, Administrative Assistant