

BRIGHTON AREA FIRE AUTHORITY
January 14, 2010
Regular Board Meeting

A Regular Meeting of the Brighton Area Fire Authority Board was held on Thursday, January 14, 2010, at the Main Fire Station at 615 W. Grand River Ave, Brighton, Michigan. This Regular Meeting was called to order by Chairperson McCririe, at 8:00 a.m.

PRESENT: GARY MCCRIRIE
JIM MUZZIN
JIM MORTENSEN
LANA THEIS
JOHN ROGERS
MIKE CORRIGAN
LARRY SCHILLINGER

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Neal Nielsen, Esq.

Call to the Public

None

Nominations and Election of Officers

At this point, Chief Lane took over as Chairperson.

Jim Mortensen recommended that the existing slate be re-elected; Jim Muzzin objected to the recommendation;

Chairperson

The nominations for Chairperson are as follows:

Jim Muzzin nominated Lana Theis
Larry Schillinger nominated Larry Schillinger
Jim Mortensen nominated Gary McCririe

Lana Theis received 4 votes
Larry Schillinger received 0 votes
Gary McCririe received 3 votes

Lana Theis is the elected Chairperson and at this point Ms. Theis assumed the Chair.

Vice Chairperson

The nominations for Vice Chairperson are as follows:

Mike Corrigan nominated Jim Muzzin
Larry Schillinger nominated Larry Schillinger

Jim Muzzin received 4 votes
Larry Schillinger received 3 votes

Jim Muzzin is the elected Vice Chairperson.

Secretary

The nominations for Secretary are as follows:

Jim Muzzin nominated Mike Corrigan

There were no other nominations

Mike Corrigan is unanimously elected Secretary.

Treasurer

The nominations for Treasurer are as follows:

Gary McCririe nominated Larry Schillinger

There were no other nominations

Larry Schillinger is unanimously elected Treasurer.

Personnel Committee

10:001 Motion by Jim Muzzin, supported by Gary McCririe
That the Personnel Committee consists of Jim Mortensen, Mike Corrigan and Larry Schillinger.

Motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Consent Agenda

Jim Mortensen requested that the Check Register, item 4b, be removed and placed on the Regular Agenda.

10:002 Motion by Jim Muzzin, supported by Gary McCririe
That we approve the Consent Agenda as revised.

Motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Regular Agenda

10:003 Motion by Gary McCririe, supported by Jim Muzzin
That we approve the Regular Agenda as amended.

Motion carried unanimously

Check Register

10:004 Motion by Jim Muzzin, supported by John Rogers
That we approve the Check Register as presented.

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Lane indicated that we will place the Check Register on the Regular Agenda on all future Agendas. Mr. Nielsen recommended that the bank signature cards be updated to include Larry Schillinger as Treasurer.

Inspector of the Year

Mike Evans, Vice President of the Oakland County Fire Inspectors Society, which represents Fire Departments throughout Southeast Michigan, appeared before the Board for the purpose of presenting Fire Marshal Mike O'Brian with the Inspector of the Year award.

Driving Simulator

10:005 Motion by Mike Corrigan, supported by John Rogers
That the bid from FAAC Incorporated, in the amount of \$226,384, as presented. The FEMA grant will pay \$203,745.60, and our local match will be \$22,638.40.

Motion carried unanimously.

Proposed Millage Language

There was much discussion regarding the proposed language for the millage renewal. It was determined that "in 2011" is to be added after the total estimated revenue dollar figure. The Board also requested that we check with the county to confirm the estimated revenue, and bring the updated language back to the Board at the next meeting.

Closed Session re: Litigation

10:006 Motion by Jim Muzzin, supported by Gary McCririe
That we go into Closed Session to consider pending litigation, pursuant to Section 8 of
the Open Meetings Act of 1976.

Ayes: Muzzin, Corrigan, Theis, Mortensen, Rogers, Schillinger, McCririe
Nays: None
Absent: None

Motion carried 7-0

The Board went into Closed Session at 9:00 a.m.

The meeting reconvened into Open Session at 9:40 a.m.

Good of the Order

Chief Lane updated the Board regarding the following:

1. MERS – our labor attorney, Howard Shifman, is still reviewing and will update us in the future.
2. New Hires – there were 67 applicants, and we currently have 19 still pending.
3. Promotional testing will be done in February for Sergeant, Lieutenant and Captain.
4. We will be submitting requests for replacement vehicles; 1 tanker and 1 rescue
5. We have started a training program for our officers on communication. It will consist of 3 2 ½ hour sessions.
6. Jim Tester took a class with the Michigan State Police through his job with the Brighton Police Department and he found that our employees who drive our vehicles may be required to have a medical card, which would be an added expense for us.

In regard to Eric Heximer's resignation letter, Lana Theis asked that we send a letter to Eric thanking him for his dedication and service to the Department.

Adjournment

Motion by Jim Muzzin, supported by Mike Corrigan, that we adjourn this meeting. Motion carried unanimously. This meeting was adjourned at 9:45 a.m.