

BRIGHTON AREA FIRE AUTHORITY

April 9, 2009

Regular Board Meeting

A Regular Meeting of the Brighton Area Fire Authority Board was held on Thursday, April 9, 2009, at the Genoa Township Offices, 2911 Dorr Road, Brighton, Michigan. This Regular Meeting was called to order by Chairperson McCririe, at 8:00 a.m.

PRESENT: GARY MCCRIRIE  
JIM MUZZIN  
JIM MORTENSEN  
KATE LAWRENCE  
LANA THEIS  
JOHN ROGERS  
MIKE CORRIGAN

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Neal Nielsen, Esq.  
Howard Shifman, Esq.

Call to the Public

None

Approval of Consent Agenda

Mr. Mortensen requested that item 3d, Modified Spending Policy and Investment Policy, be removed and placed on the Regular Agenda.

09:029 Motion by Mike Corrigan, supported by Jim Mortensen  
That we approve the Consent Agenda, as amended.

Motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Regular Agenda

The Regular Agenda was amended by the addition of the Modified Spending Policy and Investment Policy from the Consent Agenda, as item 4h; and Item 4a, Closed Session, be separated into two items, 4a1, to consider the Collective Bargaining and item 4a2, to consider Attorney/Client privileged correspondence, pursuant to Section 8 of the Open Meetings Act of 1976.

09:030 Motion by Lana Theis, supported by Jim Muzzin  
That the Regular Agenda be approved as amended.

Motion carried unanimously

Closed Session – Collective Bargaining

09:031 Motion by Kate Lawrence, supported by Jim Mortensen  
That we go into Closed Session to consider and discuss Collective Bargaining,  
pursuant to Section 8 of the Open Meetings Act of 1976.

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

Motion carried 7-0

The Board went into Closed Session at 8:05 a.m.

09:032 Motion by Mike Corrigan, supported by Jim Muzzin  
That we reconvene into Open Session.

Motion carried unanimously

The Board reconvened at 8:26 a.m.

Closed Session – Attorney/Client Privileged Correspondence

09:033 Motion by Kate Lawrence, supported by John Rogers  
That we go into Closed Session to consider and discuss Attorney/Client Privileged  
Correspondence

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

Motion carried 7-0

The Board went into Closed Session at 8:28 a.m.

09:034 Motion by John Rogers, supported by Kate Lawrence  
That we reconvene into Open Session.

Motion carried unanimously

The Board reconvened at 9:30 a.m.

Comment by Attorney Nielsen

Attorney Nielsen commented by stating that he had an opportunity to review the questioned actions and voting by the Board, and he does not find any irregularities in the voting process.

Re-vote on Termination of Chief

09:035        Motion by Jim Muzzin, supported by Jim Mortensen  
                 That we table this item.

Motion carried unanimously

Committee for Negotiations with Mr. DeLoach

09:036        Motion by Jim Mortensen, supported by Mike Corrigan  
                 That we table this item.

Motion carried unanimously

Appointment of Interim Chief

09:037        Motion by Kate Lawrence, supported by Mike Corrigan  
                 That we appoint Larry Lane as the Interim Fire Chief

Motion carried unanimously

Committee to Negotiate Terms for Interim Fire Chief

09:038        Motion by Kate Lawrence, supported by Jim Mortensen  
                 That Lana Theis and Mike Corrigan negotiate the terms of his appointment as Interim  
                 Fire Chief with Larry Lane.

Motion carried unanimously

Appointment of Grievance Committee

09:039        Motion by Kate Lawrence, supported by Jim Mortensen  
                 That we table this item.

Motion carried unanimously

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Conflict of Interest

No action was taken

Modified Spending Policy and Investment Policy

Staff was instructed to track down the existing policies that were previously in place.

For the Good of the Order

The report regarding the costs of propane will be presented at the next regular meeting.

Adjournment

Motion by Mike Corrigan, supported by Jim Muzzin, that we adjourn this meeting. Motion carried unanimously. This meeting was adjourned at 9:41 a.m.

The next scheduled Board Meeting would be on Thursday, May 14, 2009 at 8:00 a.m.