

Regular Meeting  
4/18/23

The Regular Meeting was called to order by President Kallas at 7:35 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all in attendance.

Election of Officers: Tabled until May.

Members Present: President George Kallas, Secretary Phillip Saas, Treasurer Robb Hannen (arrived at 8:15), Trustee Randy Simpson, and Trustee Luke Allen.

Also Present: Chief Steven Evans, DC Eric Ermer, Admin. Assistant Robin Youngberg, Attorney Joe Miller, Kyle Harding from Chapman and Cutler, Architects Jacob Been and Scott Rihel from Healy, Bender, Patton & Been, Financial Advisor James Howard (via Zoom).

Minutes: The minutes of the Regular Meeting of 3/21/23, Closed Session 3/21/23 and Special Meeting of 3/30/23 were distributed prior to the meeting. There being no changes, Trustee Simpson made a motion to approve all sets of minutes as presented, seconded by Trustee Saas. All in favor.

Public Comment: None.

Public Hearing: The Public Hearing was opened and called to order by President Kallas at 7:45 p.m. The Public Hearing is being held concerning the intent of the Board to sell \$8,500,000 of General Obligation Alternate Bonds for the purpose of building and equipping a new fire station. President Kallas asked the public if there were any questions. Mr. Chapman gave a presentation on the Bonds, stating that there may be a need to have additional hearings at some point and steps to increase the amount. There being no questions, Trustee Simpson made a motion to close the Public Hearing at 7:48, seconded by Trustee Allen. Motion carried by roll call vote.

Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer's Report for 3/31/23 was distributed to the Board prior to the meeting. As of 3/31/23, the beginning balance in the checking account and general money market account was \$1,617,435.11. After deposits of \$69,871.03, disbursements of \$523,537.18, the ending balance for those accounts was \$1,163,768.96. The combined balance of the Capital Projects and Equipment Fund, including CD's was \$2,050,763.16, giving a total of all funds of \$3,214,532.12. James Howard then presented his Monthly Financial Report. After discussion, Trustee Simpson made a motion to accept the Monthly Treasurer's Report and Financial Report, seconded by Trustee Saas. All in favor by roll call vote.

Chief's Report: Chief Evans summarized the Alliance Special Operations and Multi-Company training activities since last month. In addition, he also highlighted some recent emergency responses since last month.

Service anniversaries included Lt. Tim Roman, with a total of 22 years with the District.

Chief Evans gave an update on the fleet, New E31 still expected in August 2023, new ambulance expected in late 2024 and New Tender Committee been removed from the upcoming budget.

Chief Evans then stated that the new Air Cascade System is in service. For the 2021 SAFER Grant, the 2 new candidates, Leah Berrisford and Kai Pavlik are on now assigned to their shifts.

Two new candidates are now on shift, and the Lieutenant's Final Promotional List has been posted, with FF/PM Matt Smith, FF/PM Andrew Martin and FF/PM Seth Lamb.

New VOIP phone system is scheduled to be installed.

A report on the recent OSHA visit resulted in no citations, and the downstairs locker room project is nearing completion.

Mr. Rihel and Mr. Been provided the Board with a presentation on the final schematic design package for the new station. After discussion, President Kallas made a motion to give Chief Evans authorization to move forward with the project schedule, seconded by Trustee Saas. Motion carried by roll call vote.

Attorney's Report: Attorney Miller deferred his report to Closed Session.

Old Business: None.

Consent Agenda: The consent agenda consisted of the Monthly Run Report for March. Trustee Saas made a motion to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Trustee Allen. All in favor.

New Business: The Board discussed Transfer Ordinance No. 348. There being no questions, Trustee Saas made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 348, seconded by Trustee Hannen. Motion carried by roll call vote.

The Board then reviewed Budget & Appropriations Ordinance No. 349 for fiscal year 2023/2024, which was previously discussed at the Public Hearing just prior to this meeting. There being no questions, Trustee Saas made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 349, seconded by Trustee Allen. Motion carried by roll call vote.

A Retirement Agreement and General Release for an employee was reviewed by the Board. Trustee Saas made a motion to approve the Retirement Agreement as presented, seconded by Trustee Simpson. Motion carried by roll call vote.

Policy Nos. 203, 318 and 1042 were provided to the Board prior to the meeting. There being no questions, Trustee Saas made a motion to adopt those policies, seconded by Trustee Hannen. Motion carried by roll call vote.

The Board reviewed the surplus list with the recommended disposition for the listed items. After discussion, Trustee Saas made a motion to approve the surplus list and disposition recommendations as presented, seconded by Trustee Simpson. Motion carried by roll call vote.

Payment of Bills: The monthly bill list for April was provided to the Board prior to the meeting indicating a total of \$176,340.07. Trustee Saas made a motion to pay the bills as presented, seconded by Trustee Hannen. Motion carried by roll call vote.

Trustee Saas made a motion to move into Closed Session to discuss the employment and compensation and/or benefits for a specific employee, seconded by Trustee Simpson. All in favor. The Open Session was adjourned to Closed Session at 8:38 p.m.

(Closed Session)

Open Session was resumed at 9:17 p.m.

Members Present: President George Kallas, Secretary Phillip Saas, Treasurer Robb Hannen, Trustee Randy Simpson, and Trustee Luke Allen.

Also Present: Chief Steven Evans, DC Eric Ermer, Admin. Assistant Robin Youngberg, and Attorney Joe Miller.

Other Business: None.

There being nothing further for discussion, Trustee Saas made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Trustee Hannen. All in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 9:17 p.m.

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George Kallas, President

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Robin K. Youngberg, Recording Secretary