

Kuna Rural Fire District

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Minutes of Commissioners Regular Meeting

December 9, 2020

APPROVED: _____ **REVISED:** _____ (see revised version)

Chairman Bud Beatty called the meeting to order at 1:00 pm in the meeting room of Kuna Fire Station #1.

Present were Commissioners: Bud Beatty, Mike Smith, Randall Feaster and Greg McPherson. Tim Crawford was absent. Also present were Fire Chief Phil Roberts, White Peterson Attorney William Gigray, and Officer of Administration-Secretary-Bookkeeper Krystal Hinkle.

Agenda Approval:

Comm. Smith moved to accept the agenda as printed and posted. Comm. McPherson seconded the motion, motion passed with a unanimous voice vote.

Approval of Minutes: Comm. Smith moved to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of November 11, 2020. Comm. McPherson seconded the motion, motion passed with a unanimous voice vote.

Public Input/Special Presentations: Steve with Ada Co. presented information regarding the Faces of Hope Foundation. The Faces of Hope Foundation is a facility for men and women who are in a domestic violence situation who needs a safe center to go to for care, but does not need to go to the hospital. More than likely, victims of domestic abuse cannot pay for an ambulance transport. The Faces of Hope Foundation would like to partner with Kuna Rural Fire District to pay a reduced transport fee.

Financial Reports Presented by Hinkle: Comm. Smith moved to accept the financial reports and report of fund investments, and to approve disbursement of funds in the amount of \$181,211.62 for the District for payment of bills and payroll as presented. A disbursement of \$0 for the Association for payment of bills. Comm. McPherson seconded the motion, motion passed with a unanimous voice vote.

Summary of Correspondence: The district received a Christmas card and candy from White Peterson Law Firm.

Staff Reports:

Chief Report – by Phil Roberts: Chief Roberts reported our total call volume is 1639 incidents, 1034 are medically related. The first round of vaccines have been released to first responders. Two employees have been out with COVID since the last board meeting. Due to COVID, the Christmas party has been cancelled.

Tenzinga Update: Tenzinga sends an email every month to each Captain to evaluate each of their employees. It is a great resource for documentation, good or bad. Chief will start providing monthly reports to the Board, but will need to get help on how to pull the reports. Chief will get with each Captain to determine if they like the software or an alternative.

Chairman Beatty asked to get pricing to determine if we want to continue. He also asked the Chief to come back with a review of the software and bring his recommendations to the board in January.

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Local 4165 - Full Time Firefighter Report: None

Association Report: None

Attorney Report: Gigray reported he had communication with Ax Yewer regarding the appointments for Impact Fees. Ax would like to see longer terms and staggered terms. The legislator formed a special committee for property tax reform. However, Justin Ruin with Assoc. of Idaho Cities provided Bill with a link to the website that shows an overview of potential bills. The board was provided with the document.

Officer of Administration Report by Krystal Hinkle: Hinkle reported everything is on the agenda.

Administrator of Impact Fees by Krystal Hinkle: Hinkle reported that the current fund totals \$1,472,748.28 thru October.

Old Business:

State Fire Commissioners Report: Online training will take place due to COVID. Annual meeting will be conducted virtually in April to elect new board members. The district received their annual dues notice and AD&D renewal.

Ada County City EMS System (ACCESS) Update: There is an Exec. meeting in January and April. The Admin has been meeting about how to administer the vaccine and who is going to control that. Depending upon crisis mode, is there a need for Rapid Response Vehicles and discussion about not transporting at all.

Discuss and Consider Resolution Allowing the Chairman to sign the Agreement for Services with CORE Construction for Design Build for the Remodel of Station #1:

Chief was concerned with the agreement and wanted to make sure there wasn't an obligation of the board to continue with CORE after Phase 1.

John Sanders, the agent of Core, indicated that the agreement is only for Phase 1, which is the design of the remodel. You will need to sign a new agreement for Phase 2 and same for Phase 3.

Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve Resolution 2020-34, approving the Chairman to sign the contract with Core Construction for the design of the remodel for Station 1 in the amount of \$15,000.00, Phase 1. Comm. Feaster seconded the motion, motion passed with a unanimous voice vote.

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New Business:

Discuss and Consider Resolution Establishing Administrative Salaries and Benefits for 2021: Commissioner Smith made a motion accepting Resolution 2020-35 establishing the Administrative Salaries and Benefits for 2021. Comm. McPherson seconded the motion, motion passed with a unanimous voice vote.

Discuss and Consider MOU with Faces of Hope Foundation: Commissioner Smith made a motion accepting Resolution 2020-36 approving the MOU with Faces of Hope. Comm. McPherson seconded the motion, motion passed with a unanimous voice vote.

Discuss and Consider Christmas Party Date and Funding: Cancelled due to Covid

Consider Authorization to File a Judicial Review of the PERSI Board's Final Order in Case No. 06-19: Commissioner Smith made a motion authorizing our Legal Counsel to move forward with Judicial review on the PERSI matter.

Executive Session of the Board of Commissioners: Chairman Beatty made a motion to go into executive session. Commissioner McPherson seconded the motion. The Commissioners, upon a unanimous roll call vote, went into the Executive Session, pursuant to Idaho Code Section 74-206 (1) (f) to communicate with legal counsel for the Fire District to discuss the legal ramifications of and legal options for pending litigation. The executive session commenced at 2:12 p.m. In attendance were all the members of the Board of Commissioners, legal counsel Wm. F. Gigray, III, Chief Roberts and Sec. Hinkle. Information was then exchanged among the Commissioners in attendance, Wm. F. Gigray, III, and Sec. Hinkle regarding the subject matters of the executive session. At 2:39 p.m. a motion was then made by Commissioner McPherson and seconded by Commissioner Feaster, to come out of executive session which motion passed unanimously.

Open session resumed and Chairman Beatty reported that information was received in relation to the announced purpose for going into executive session and no action was taken by the Commissioners.

Commissioner Open Discussion – The crews helped the school district and the local food bank with a food drive over two Saturdays. They had a great response and almost received \$1000.00 in cash.

Commissioner Smith moved to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner McPherson seconded the motion, motion passed with a unanimous voice vote.

Meeting adjourned at 2:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Krystal Hinkle, District Secretary

M.G. Bud Beatty, Chairman