

Tallahassee Fire Protection District Minutes of the Board of Directors Special Virtual Public Hearing October 24, 2020

Scott Fullerton called the Special Virtual Public Hearing to order at 10:02 a.m. on October 24, 2020.

Directors Present: Scott Fullerton, Bonnie Spencer, Harvey Ammel. A quorum is present.

Directors Absent: Cynthia Boyle, Brad Nelson (both excused absences)

Firefighters/Volunteers present: Chief Mark Norris

Public Present: Christopher Parker

<u>Motion</u>: It was moved by Scott Fullerton and seconded by Harvey Ammel that the Minutes record that Brad Nelson and Cynthia Boyle are excused. The Motion was voted upon and carried unanimously.

PUBLIC INPUT:

The member of the public attending did not address the Board.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

<u>Motion</u>: It was moved by Scott Fullerton and seconded by Bonnie Spencer to approve Resolution 2020-008 as written, which accepts the amended 2020 District Budget (second revision) as posted for review by the public, and for all appropriate filings to be made accordingly. There were no responses to the request for discussion. The Motion was voted upon and carried unanimously. Scott will arrange for the signed resolution to be transferred to the Secretary for posting.

<u>Motion</u>: It was moved by Bonnie Spencer and seconded by Scott Fullerton to review the 2020 year-to-date income and expenditures and 4th quarter projections.

Discussion: Bonnie reviewed the YTD income and expenditures and that at least four more deployments are in progress beyond what was called for in the amended budget revenues/expenses. This creates two concerns:

- o It is likely that we will need to amend the budget again before the end of the year.
- We may exceed a \$750K income limit for an audit exemption and require a full audit, which would create an additional 2021 budget expense.

Scott said Chief Norris has received information that the State is seeking anyone who can help with fires, so we probably aren't the only district to have this concern. He wondered if there might be an exemption to the \$750K limit for emergencies such as this. He said he would investigate with DOLA or others. He also expressed concern that this has implications for our 2021 planning, it's likely that the two absent board members would want to hear about this, ask questions and discuss, so we should consider suspending discussion, gathering more information and scheduling a meeting to continue review and discussion at a time convenient to all members. Chief Norris offered to contact our supplemental resource personnel to learn if they are planning to participate in additional deployments during Q4.

<u>Motion</u>: It was moved by Scott Fullerton and seconded by Bonnie Spencer to suspend the current discussion of the YTD budget and Q4 projections, to gather additional information and schedule another meeting to continue review and discussion. The Motion was voted upon and carried unanimously.

NEXT PUBLIC MEETING:

- ➤ Based on current Public Health Guidelines, it is very likely the next two meetings will be via call-in (virtual).
- Once scheduled, the date and time of the continuation to discuss the YTD budget and Q4 projections will be posted on the website.
- ➤ The next regular TFPD Board Meeting is scheduled for Monday, November 9, 2020, at 2:00 pm, at the Main Station and/or call-in (virtual). This meeting will be held in conjunction with the Public Hearing on the adoption of the proposed 2021 District Budget.

MOTION TO ADJOURN:

It was moved by Scott Fullerton and seconded by Harvey Ammel to adjourn the meeting at 10:20 a.m. The Motion was voted upon and carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by Scott Fullerton, President of the Board.