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BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES May 23, 2022

ATTENDEES:

Comm. Ralph Chiumento, Jr. – Chairman
Comm. Peter Valdez – Vice Chairman
Comm. Peter Longi
Comm. Richard Dore
Comm. Phil Van Itallie

Chief: William Steenbergh
Assistant Chief: Eric Philipp – (absent)
Director of EMS: David Violante
District Secretary: Renee O’Neill – (excused)
Treasurer: James Passikoff – (absent)

Chairman Chiumento opened the Arlington Fire District Board of Fire Commissioners’ special meeting at 6:04 p.m., took a roll call of the attendees and everyone stood and recited the pledge of allegiance.

A motion was made by Comm. Dore to adjourn to Executive Session. No seconded was made. At the request of the Chief, Chairman Chiumento agreed to get a few items done prior to going into Executive Session.

I. ABSTRACT APPROVAL

A motion was made by Comm. Van Itallie to approve Abstract 22–5B. This consists of \$83,262.91 in paid bills with a total of 7 checks and \$45,216.42 in unpaid bills with a total of 34 checks for a grand total of \$128,479.33, totaling 41 checks. Seconded by Comm. Valdez.

- Motion Carried, 4 – 0 – 1 (Comm. Dore abstained)

II. DISTRICT STAFF ITEMS

- A. Chief William Steenbergh
1. Need to purchase a block of fifty (50) hours of time with our Attorney at the discounted rate of \$175 per hour.

A motion was made by Comm. Longi to approve the authorization to add fifty (50) hours through the legal counsel. Seconded by Comm. Dore.

- Motion Carried, 5 – 0

2. LUCAS CPR Devices – Director of EMS Violante and himself researched the different extended warranties, etc. and the final price is \$76,968.28. At the advice of counsel, we should not do the three (3) year lease option as it would require a mandatory public vote. Option to do a permissive referendum and take it out of the Equipment Reserve Fund or unexpended fund balance.

Discussion.

A motion was made by Comm. Dore to pay for them with the fund balance. Seconded by Comm. Longi.

- Motion Carried, 5 – 0

With no further open business to discuss, a motion was made by Comm. Dore to adjourn to Executive Session for the purpose of interviews. Seconded by Comm. Van Itallie.

- Motion Carried, 5 – 0

The Board adjourned to Executive Session at 6:11 p.m.

III. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The Board came out of Executive Session at 8:03 p.m. and returned to Open Session.

IV. **OPEN ITEMS**

As a result of Executive Session, a motion was made by Comm. Dore that we promote William Tompkins to the rank of Battalion Chief, provisional pending the exam, and a date to be determined by the Chief. Seconded by Comm. Longi.

- Motion Carried, 5 – 0

With no further business to conduct, a motion was made by Comm. Dore to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Comm. Van Itallie.

- Motion Carried, 5 – 0

Meeting adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Renee O'Neill
District Secretary



BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS MEETING PUBLIC ATTENDANCE SHEET

NOTE: This sheet will be attached to the Board of Fire Commissioners meeting minutes as part of the official record. If you agree to have your name as part of the official record and published on our website, please legibly print your name below. Thank you.

DATE OF MEETING: 5-23-22
