# REGULAR MEETING BOARD OF DIRECTORS ARVADA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT Agenda Review and General Session 7903 Allison Way, Arvada, Colorado

## February 5, 2018

## **CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Loveridge called the February 5, 2018 regular meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

## **ATTENDANCE**

# Board members present:

Bob Loveridge, President/Chairman
Jeff Van Es, Vice-President
Tim Allport, Secretary
Matt Kramer, Treasurer
Kirk Rasmussen, Assistant Secretary-Treasurer

## Board members absent:

None.

#### Also present:

Chief Jon Greer
Dino Ross, Attorney for the District
Ryan Weir, IAFF Local 4056 Director (Agenda Review only)

#### **AGENDA REVIEW**

Ryan Weir provided the Board with an update on Union activities during the preceding month.

The Board, Chief Greer, and Attorney Ross reviewed the agenda items.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Vice-President Van Es moved to go into Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter, to develop strategy for negotiations, instruct negotiators, and determine positions relative to matters that may be subject to negotiations, and to receive legal advice on these matters pursuant to C.R.S §24-6-402(4)(b), (e) and (f). Assistant-Secretary Rasmussen seconded. Attorney Ross certified for the record that the Executive Session will constitute a confidential attorney-client communication and will not be recorded. The Board went into Executive Session at 5:14 p.m.

Treasurer Kramer moved to return from Executive Session. Vice-President Van Es seconded. The Board returned to the regular meeting at 6:27 p.m.

Chairman Loveridge recessed the meeting.

## **GENERAL SESSION**

Chairman Loveridge called the General Session of the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

## **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Chairman Loveridge led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

# **MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR FALLEN FIREFIGHTERS**

Chairman Loveridge asked that all those present observe a moment of silence for five firefighters who have lost their lives in the line of duty so far in 2018 in the United States. He also reported that there have been 441 civilian residential fire deaths so far in 2018.

## ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO AGENDA

None.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Ladies Auxiliary President Denise Chinburg addressed the Board to thank the District for recognition of the effort involved to prepare for the reception for Lieutenant Jim Schaefer's funeral. She noted that, even though she and Jennifer Dawe were the ones who received the award, they had a great deal of help.

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Assistant-Secretary Rasmussen moved to approve the minutes of the January 17, 2018 regular Board meeting as presented. Vice-President Van Es seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

#### RECESS TO PENSION BOARD MEETING

Treasurer Kramer moved to recess to the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Arvada Fire Protection District Volunteer Firefighters Pension Fund. Assistant-Secretary Rasmussen seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

### RETURN FROM PENSION BOARD MEETING

Vice-President Van Es moved to return from the Pension Board meeting. Assistant-Secretary Rasmussen seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

#### **ATTORNEYS' REPORT**

Attorney Ross stated that the written attorney's report was included in the Board packet. There were two highlights from the report. Pursuant to the Board's authorization at the last meeting, the District proceeded with the potential purchase of the property at 8001 Simms Street, and the property is now under contract. The District has received a petition from Cimarron Commercial LLC to include five parcels into the District. All of the parcels are located in the Candelas

development. The developer missed them at the time the original development was included into the District. In accordance with State law ,the District will publish notice of a public meeting on the proposed petition for inclusion, which will be held during the Board's regularly scheduled meeting on March 5. After conducting the public meeting on the petition for inclusion, the Board will be asked to consider and, if appropriate approve, a proposed Resolution and related Certified Order including the parcels. Legal counsel has reviewed the Petition for Inclusion, and prepared the proposed Resolution and Certified Order, and believes they are ready for the Board's consideration at the March 5 meeting.

Attorney Ross noted his firm is in the process of preparing tits Legislative Tracker, which summarizes legislation pending before the Colorado legislature each year that may have an impact on Colorado's emergency services providers. He anticipates that a copy will be available for the Board in the next week or so. Attorney Ross provided a brief overview of several bills that are currently pending before the Colorado legislature.

#### **DIVISION REPORT**

Operations Division - Battalion Chief John Simpson

Battalion Chief Simpson noted that he was substituting for Deputy Chief Piper.

Overall growth in call volume was very light at 0.9%, which is the slowest growth in the last five years; however, EMS calls increased from 9,649 to 10,232, a remarkable 7% over the previous year. Non-EMS calls, where fire units are the primary unit to provide service, dropped a very significant 10%, from 5,281 to 4,735 calls.

Battalion Chief Simpson reviewed seven major fires from October 2017 through January 2018. He noted that Firefighter Nick Quintana was promoted to Lieutenant and Paramedic Randon Grimes has been hired.

Recent 2017 events included Wildland deployment to the Thomas Fire in San Bernadio, the Annual Physical Agility Test, a Lieutenant Promotional Exam, Confined Space Training for the Tech Rescue Team, the Jeffco/Adams Haz-Mat Quarterly Training, completion of Annual Performance Reviews, and the 17<sup>th</sup> Year of Operation Santa. Engine 53 represented the District at Douglas County Deputy Sheriff Zackari Parrish's funeral. 2018 events included the 2017 Awards ceremony, an Upgrade Officer Academy and a Blue Card Certification Course. The 2018 Captain and Engineer Promotional Test preparation is underway. Two Firefighter/ Paramedics were hired and one conditional job offer was accepted. That person will not start for a year, as they were just deployed for military service. Engine 53 represented the District again by attending Adams County Deputy Sheriff Heath Gumm's funeral. Firefighter Jerry Luft's Retirement Ceremony was held at Station Four last week. He was the first of the career firefighters to retire.

Chief Greer noted that Battalion Chief Simpson is a recognized expert in Hazardous Materials. He and Captain Denison lead the Adams-Jeffco HazMat Team. The District is proud of what they do.

#### FINANCIAL REPORT

Treasurer Kramer made a motion to accept the financial statements for December 2017 as presented. Assistant Secretary-Treasurer seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

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None.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

None.

# FOR THE GOOD OF THE DEPARTMENT

Chief Greer asked Chief Steward to discuss the ISO review and how the District was rated.

Chief Steward replied that the District now has a 2/2B rating. This placed the District in the top 17% of all the 49,000 fire departments that are rated in the country.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Assistant-Secretary Treasurer Rasmussen moved to adjourn the meeting. Vice-President Van Es seconded. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 7:51 p.m.

Timothy D. Allport, Secretary

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Dino A. Ross, Esq.

Lhereby attest that the Executive Session, which was not recorded, was confined to topics authorized for discussion in Executive Session pursuant to C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(b), (e) and (f).

Robert Loveridge, President

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