

Parker Fire Protection District
South Metro Fire Rescue
South Metro Fire Rescue Authority
Joint Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
July 7, 2015

Present: Patrick Mulhern (SMFRA) Bob Baker, Fire Chief
Laura Simon (SMFR/SMFRA) Mike Dell'Orfano, Deputy Fire Chief
Rich Sokol (SMFR/SMFRA) Vince Turner, Assistant Chief
Al Johnson (PFPD/SMFRA) Bill Potts, Assistant Chief
Gary Culig (PFPD/SMFRA) Kevin Milan, Assistant Chief
David Jackson (SMFR/SMFRA) Marie Hoover, Chief Financial Officer
Danny Gaddy (PFPD/SMFRA) Robert Cole, Legal Counsel
Ronda Scholting (PFPD) Matt Dalton, Legal Counsel
William Shriver (PFPD) Laura Larson, Division Assistant
Hank Eng (SMFR)
Jim Olmsted (SMFR)

Others

Present: SMFR Authority Personnel

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

SMFRA Chairperson Mulhern called the joint board meeting to order at 6:13 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Pat Mulhern led the pledge of allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

DISCUSSION

Overview of the Strategic Plan

Deputy Fire Chief Mike Dell'Orfano presented an overview of the strategic plan to the Boards. This overview included the process that went into formation of the five year strategic plan. Chief also touched on challenges the strategic plan will address in the next five years. Chief Dell'Orfano outlined the proposed, revised mission and values statement as well as strategic anchors and Vision 2020.

After discussion, the Boards agreed to the strategic plan as presented. Dave Jackson suggested that "integrity" be added to the values statement (We are committed to the highest level of professionalism and *integrity*, striving to do what is right in a fair, honest, compassionate, courageous, and humble manner.) The Boards said that Staff did a good job on the strategic plan.

Board Succession Planning for 2016

Attorney Bob Cole reviewed terms set in the IGA for board succession planning after the consolidation of Parker Fire Protection District and South Metro Fire Rescue District. The first step, which has already been taken, is for Parker Fire Protection District to accept the inclusion of South Metro Fire Rescue's district. South Metro will need to approve the exclusion of their district. After a special meeting of the Authority Board, three board members from Parker Fire Protection District and three board members from South Metro Fire Rescue will be appointed. These Board members will appoint a seventh board member from the remaining Parker Fire Protection District and South Metro Fire Rescue board members. Cole will take this information to the District Court for approval of the new district. At a meeting held in January 2016, the new seven director districts will be established with one sitting board member from each director district. Board members not continuing with the Board will resign their positions. All former South Metro Fire Rescue board member seats

will be up for re-election early in 2016 and any former Parker Fire Protection District board members with expiring terms will also need to run for re-election. Board members will either have two or four year terms, with this term decided by the board.

Director districts will be created in a logical, easily-understood manner using set criteria in order to meet the intent of Section 32-1-804(1) C.R.S. and constitutional principles as closely as possible. These Districts shall not be re-established more frequently than every four years.

A discussion followed that discussed districting versus at-large elections. The consensus was that the two individual boards will need to meet to decide which members will resign. The group decided to meet as two individual boards to discuss this issue later in the session.

Pat Mulhern called for a break at 8:19 p.m. The Board meeting resumed at 8:33 p.m.

Orton v. City of Greenwood Village, et. al and South Metro Fire Rescue Authority

A lawsuit was filed July 29, 2015, with Greenwood Village stating that the City of Greenwood Village exceeded their authority to grant a height variance for the new Station 31. Attorneys Dalton and Cole have been in contact with the Greenwood Village city attorney and are in agreement that the Special District Location and Extent statute, if exercised, would allow South Metro Fire Rescue Authority the ability to construct the station regardless of any municipal codes.

Pat Mulhern asked if we could continue with the project, the attorneys advised that they believed there was only a slight risk in moving forward as planned as this is a technical issue with the process at best. **Jim Olmsted** asked if delaying the project would result in an increase in cost for the project. Chief Turner said that it would and an estimate of cost would be a 2% increase per month, and that we have already seen **cost increases** due to the delay in the project.

The board was in agreement that the project should continue on as scheduled.

Negotiation Issue

Bob Cole recommended that the Boards move to executive session pursuant to Section 24-6-104(4)(e), C.R.S., to determine positions relative to matters that may be subject to negotiations, develop strategy for negotiations, and instructing negotiators related to terms of employment.

Pat Mulhern ask for a motion to convene in Executive Session. A motion was made by Laura Simon and seconded by Rich Sokol to convene in Executive Session. All were in favor and the motion carried at 8:52 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

After Executive Session, the joint Board Session was adjourned at 9:26 p.m.

Attested by:



Date:

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