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North View Fire District Special Board Meeting Minutes May 9, 2023

The North View Fire District Trustees convened in a Fire Board Meeting session on May 9, 2023, at 5:00 p.m., at the North View Fire Station. Notice of time, place, and agenda of the meeting was electronically mailed to each Trustee to the Utah Public Meeting Notice Site, Standard Examiner, and posted at the North View Fire Station on May 9, 2023. Notice of the 2023 annual meeting schedule was electronically mailed to the Utah Public Notice Website and to the Standard Examiner. Pursuant to the NVFD Electronic Meetings Policy adopted March 16, 2011, One (1) or more trustees may have participated electronically, and the NVFD Station 21 315 E. 2550 N. North Ogden, Utah is designated as the anchor location, where members of the public may monitor and when appropriate, participate in the meeting. After notifying the District Clerk, Trustees may have participated electronically by telephone, Skype, Face time, or any method that facilitates communication electronically.

Present:

Chairperson Timothy Wheelwright Vice-Chairperson Jay Johnson Trustee John Arrington Trustee Chris Clark Trustee Meredith Aardema Trustee Cameron West Trustee Maxwell Jackson Chief David Wade

Staff Present:

Deputy Fire Chief Jeremiah Jones Deputy Chief/ Fire Marshal Ryan Barker Jeff Davis Nicci Roylance, District Clerk

1. Opening Prayer, Reading or Expression of Thought, and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Trustee Jackson welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m. Trustee Jackson led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance and said an opening prayer. Trustee Jackson welcomed Chief Wade back from being ill. Chief Wade stated his thanks to the staff for covering while he was ill.

Trustee Jackson asked for a motion to start the special meeting. Trustee West made the motion to open the Special Meeting. Trustee Aardema seconded the motion.

Voting on the motion:

Trustee Jackson

Trustee Arrington	aye
Trustee Clark	aye
Trustee Aardema	aye
Trustee West	aye

2. Public Comments.

Trustee Jackson stated that the public had no comments.

3. <u>Discussion and/or action on accepting the AP Triton Study Publication.</u>

Chairperson Wheelwright joined the meeting at 5:10 p.m. Chairperson Wheelwright welcomed John Stouffer from AP Triton. John Stouffer from AP Triton thanked the Board for allowing his team to do the study. John Stouffer presented the study to the Board and summarized what they recommended to the Board with discussion throughout the presentation. Chairperson Wheelwright asked John Stouffer if would there be a main study and a strategic plan. John Stouffer stated that the strategic plan would involve stakeholders in doing the strategic plan and it wouldn't take too long. Vice-Chairperson Johnson made a motion to accept the AP Triton Master Plan. Trustee Jackson seconded the motion.

Voting on the motion:

Chairperson Wheelwright	aye
Vice-Chairperson Johnson	aye
Trustee Arrington	aye
Trustee Clark	aye
Trustee Aardema	aye
Trustee West	aye
Trustee Jackson	aye

4. <u>Discussion and/or action on the joint venture with Harrisville</u>

Chairperson Wheelwright asked Trustee Jackson to introduce our guests for the presentation. Trustee Jackson praised both women for their work with Harrisville and turned the time over to Jennie Knight and Mayor Michelle Tait. Jennie Knight passed around the summary and planning map for the new Harrisville Public Works facility and Public Safety Complex. Jennie Knight stated that she would be presenting a presentation for the Public Safety Complex that could include a joint venture with North View Fire to build a fire station within their Public Safety Complex. Jennie Knight's presentation included the estimated amount of money that would be needed to help with the architectural plans for building the fire station and Public Safety Complex. Jennie Knight clarified that the fire station would be a part of the Public Safety Complex, not its building. Chairperson Wheelwright asked if Harrisville is seeking a partnership with North View in the development of the Public Safety Complex. Jennie Knight stated that they wanted to ask North View Fire to partner with them. Chairperson

Wheelwright asked when it would be finished and Jennie Knight stated 2026. Trustee Aardema asked if it would be done or started in three years. Jennie Knight stated it would be done in three years. There was a discussion of how to proceed further with developing a plan to move forward in this joint venture. Trustee Arrington made a motion to move forward with discussions with Harrisville on the joint venture for a Public Safety Complex. Trustee West seconded the motion. Trustee Jackson recused himself from voting due to his sitting on both boards.

Voting on the motion:

Chairperson Wheelwright	aye
Vice-Chairperson Johnson	aye
Trustee Arrington	aye
Trustee Clark	aye
Trustee Aardema	aye
Trustee West	aye

5. <u>Discussion and /or action on an EMS Deputy Chief.</u>

Chief Wade stated that the presentation from AP Triton suggested a Battalion Chief to offset some of the duties that Deputy Chief Jones had. Chief Wade stated that when looking at the Paramedic aspect it would be more prudent to do a Deputy Chief with a Paramedic background. Chairperson Wheelwright stated this would need to be budgeted for the upcoming year. Trustee Aardema stated that it is in the proposed budget. Chairperson Wheelwright stated that having this on the agenda is a little premature. Chief Wade stated that he was trying to feel out the temperature for the upcoming budget meetings. Chief Wade stated that the board has asked for some requirements to be met before we discuss this fully, but due to his illness was not able to have those requirements ready. Chairperson Wheelwright stated that it will come down to the assessment of duties and responsibilities with the current Chiefs and any proposed addition to administration and the anticipation of the cost of a Deputy Chief. Trustee West stated that he would like to know what their job responsibilities are and that his priority is putting more boots on the ground before hiring another administration employee. Deputy Chief Jones stated that the AP Triton study recommended that we have a three-man engine crew. Deputy Chief Jones stated that the study told us to hold off hiring until the Paramedic study came out. Trustee Clark stated that Roy and South Ogden run efficiently. Trustee West stated that he knows what he does daily and he would like to know what all three of the administration in what they do. Trustee Clark asked where he could find the step grades for every position. Chairperson Wheelwright stated that it is in the budget that has been sent out every year and will be in the upcoming budget. Deputy Chief Jones stated that we will be giving the board different options for the budget. Chairperson Wheelwright stated that it is good to see that the administration is working on different options and what their job responsibilities be given to look at the different options on making decisions concerning the budget.

6. <u>Discussion and/or action concerning the renewal of the contract for the Medical</u> Director.

Chairperson Wheelwright stated that the Medical Director that we have been advised has a conflict of interest. Trustee Aardema stated that we have been advised to terminate. Chairperson Wheelwright asked when his contract would be up for renewal. Nicci Roylance, District Clerk stated July 1st. Trustee West stated that he had talked to Dr. Fredrickson and he is too busy to be interested. Chairperson Wheelwright asked what would we normally do. Deputy Chief Jones stated that it would be under the amount for our procurement policy so we wouldn't need to do an RFP. Deputy Chief Jones stated that on the last one we didn't, we just asked if they are interested and draw up a contract for them to sign. Trustee Aardema asked if this would need to be an ER position. Deputy Chief Jones stated that the qualifications would consist of ER physicians and more experience in that realm and state requirements. Deputy Chief Iones stated that the ones in the County are too saturated with other commitments. Deputy Chief Jones stated that many of them make it a low priority without a lot of money. Chairperson Wheelwright suggested doing an RFP to target people and see what response we get and then decide. Trustee Aardema stated that we could have very little interest in the position. Deputy Chief Jones stated that the biggest challenge would be to whom to send them. Chairperson Wheelwright asked how many medical directors are within the county and do any work outside of the county. Deputy Chief Iones stated that there are three and he doesn't think Dr. Grow does, but the other two do. Trustee Arrington asked if the conflict of interest is that he recommends something happen to Ogden rather than us. Chairperson Wheelwright stated the conflict of interest comes down to that one of the calls to back off the Paramedic study was from Dr. Grow. Chairperson stated that Dr. Grow is having a hard time wearing what hat he wears, which is a conflict of interest. Vice-Chairperson Johnson asked if any physicians at the ER would qualify. Chairperson Wheelwright stated that we need to send out an RFP to pool some candidates.

7. <u>Discussion and/or action for the Renewal of the PVER Interfacility contract.</u>

Chief Wade stated that the contract is due this upcoming July and has been in contact with Ogden Regional with increasing the fees. Chief Wade stated that we looked at fuel costs, inflation, and manpower roughly. Chief Wade stated that we would be looking at a slight increase of \$200 to ALS transfers and BLS transfers. Chairperson Wheelwright asked how long this upcoming contract would be for. Chief Wade stated it would be a two-year contract.

8. <u>Discussion and/or action for the Paramedic Program Improvements</u>

Trustee West stated that this has nothing to do with paramedic program improvements, but to clarify what the Paramedic onboard fees are. Trustee West stated that the Paramedics can not bill a patient unlike what John Stouffer stated. Trustee West stated that the Paramedic Onboard fee is paid regardless of whether we collect money. Trustee West stated in theory we are supposed to bill the patient for the services and

equipment we use and give it back to them. Trustee West stated the PMA is just added to it. Deputy Chief Jones stated it is not a clean wash. Trustee West stated we pay a percentage based on a gross collection percentage regardless of what we collect. Chairperson Wheelwright asked if Ogden City charges their residents a PMA charge. Deputy Chief Jones stated that we are not given the option to pay it or not. Discussion followed about the county-wide PMA onboard fee, licensing, paramedic program, and clarification concerning the AP Triton study.

9. Chief's Report

Chief Wade stated that while he was ill, he appreciated the administration for stepping up and all the texts from people from different entities and positions.

10. Chairperson's Report

Chairperson Wheelwright thanked the administration and the firefighters for the work.

11. Other and/or Identify matters for future consideration and or action.

Trustee Arrington asked when the budget will be discussed. Trustee Aardema stated it would be next month. Chairperson Wheelwright asked if the Budget Committee was slated to meet before the next meeting. Deputy Chief Jones stated that he felt the need to meet at least once before the next Board Meeting. Chairperson Wheelwright stated that we should have one more Budget Committee Meeting. Deputy Chief Barker presented the rewritten contract for the donation to North Ogden City Police for the use of the Drone.

12. Adjournment

Vice-Chairperson Johnson made the motion to adjourn at 7:20 pm. Trustee Clark seconded the motion.

Chairperson Wheelwright	aye
Vice-Chairperson Johnson	aye
Trustee Arrington	aye
Trustee Clark	aye
Trustee Aardema	aye

Chairperson Timothy M. Wheelwright

Nicci Roylance, District Clerk

Date Minutes approved My 13, 2013

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