

# **Hurricane Valley Fire Special Services District**

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#### **Executive Board Meeting Minutes**

February 5, 2018

Members Present: Wayne Peterson, Richard Hirschi, Bruce Densley, Keen Ellsworth, Kevin Tervort

Other Attendees: Ryan Carter, Chuck Passek, Luci Francis, Eric Clarke, Robert Ford, Kristin Ford, Will Garrett

Staff: Tom Kuhlmann, Kevin Gildea, Kohl Furley, Merlin Spendlove, Nick Wright, Matt Miller, Patty Olesky

A. Meeting Called to Order: Wayne Peterson 5:00 pm

Invocation: Richard Hirschi Pledge of Allegiance: Dean Cox

### B. Consent Agenda:

Conflict of interest: None
 Agenda: No Comments

**Motion:** Richard Hirschi, to approve the consent agenda as outlined to include the minutes from the November 6<sup>th</sup> and December 4<sup>th</sup> meetings, December 2017 Checks for \$207,971.51 and Deposits for \$2,208,634.44 and January 2018 Checks for \$514,891.76 and Deposits for \$1,115,681.62.

Second: Dean Cox

**Vote:** Aye: All (Keen Ellsworth abstained from voting)

Nay: None

#### C. Citizen Comment & Request for Future Agenda Items: None

#### D. New Business:

#### 1. Introduction of New Board Member

New Board member Keen Ellsworth introduced himself and the Board and staff introduced themselves to him also.

#### 2. Appointment to fill Merit Board Vacancy

This appointment is to fill the vacancy left by Darrin LeFevre who is no longer on our Board.

Motion: Bruce Densley, to appoint Keen Ellsworth to the Merit Board.

Second: Richard Hirschi

Vote: Aye: All

Nay: None

#### 3. Appointment to the Utah Association of Special Districts Board

Chief would like this to be an appointment that takes place annually. Last year Bruce Densley was chosen as the District's representative for the Utah Association of Special District's Board.

Motion: Keen Ellsworth, to appoint Richard Hirschi to the UASD Board of Representatives.

Second: Kevin Tervort
Vote: Aye: All
Nay: None

4. Discussion and Possible Approval of Bank Signatories

There was some discussion regarding who should be on the list for bank signatories, it was decided that the board chairman should be one of the signers. Therefore it was decided to remove the prior board chairman and add the new board chairman to the list of signers.

Motion: Dean Cox, to continue with having the board chairman as a signer: add Wayne Peterson.

Second: Kevin Tervort
Roll Call Vote: Aye: All
Nay: None

## 5. Request and Discussion of a Possible Contract between the Rockville/Springdale Fire Protection District and Hurricane Valley Fire SSD

Dean Cox led the discussion on this. He informed the board that in October 2017 the Rockville/Springdale Board met with the County Commissioners because they were faced with difficult questions of how to provide service with their current financial means. They were requesting an increase to their budget from \$800,000 to \$1,300,000. The County Commissioners voted to not allow the increase to take place. The County Commissioners reached out to Chief Kuhlmann to request an estimate of what services could cost for their area. Chief Kuhlmann informed the Commissioners that the Hurricane Valley Fire District Board should be an active participant in order to give input and direction on how Chief should proceed with this request.

It is understood that the level of service should be determined by the area being covered. The County is looking for contract services from Hurricane Valley Fire SSD and has asked Chief to come up with a budget with costs to provide this service. They would like to have a similar model as the one the District had with Hurricane City in the past. There should be no additional cost to taxpayers. The County Commissioners approved the 2018 budget of the Rockville/Springdale District at \$809,000. Time is of the essence and this needs to be resolved as quickly as possible.

**Motion:** Bruce Densley, to authorize Chief Kuhlmann and two Board members to participate in talks with the Rockville/Springdale District regarding future service.

Second: Richard Hirschi

Vote: Aye: All Nay: None

#### 6. Discussion on the Continued Operations Plan

Chief Kuhlmann had a good discussion with Washington City and their attorneys as they reviewed documents. We should have an agreement with Washington City regarding the Coral Canyon station within 30-60 days.

Wildland season started on January 1, 2018 with the Kolob fire. With two additional sites of radio communications in the Kolob area we now have regular communications there.

E. Closed Session: None

F. Adjourn

Motion: Bruce Densley, to adjourn the meeting at 5:45 pm.

Second: Richard Hirschi

Vote:

Aye: All

Nay: None

The next meeting is scheduled for March 5, 2018.

Date approved March 5, 2018

Minutes taken by Patty Olesky

Wayne Peterson, Chairman

Attest:

Patry Olesky District Secretary