



Hurricane Valley Fire Special Services District

202 East State Street, Hurricane, Utah 84737
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Hurricane Valley Fire SSD Board Meeting Agenda Monday, March 20, 2023, at 2:00 p.m. Fire Station #46, 56 N Coral Canyon Blvd, Hurricane, Utah

Board Members Present: Justin Sip, Richard Hirschi, Nanette Billings, Bill Hoster, Dan McGuire.

Staff: Joe Decker, Tom Kuhlmann, Cari Bishop, Keen Ellsworth

Other attendee's: Representative Joseph Elison, Legrand Bitters

A. **Meeting Called to Order** – Invocation by Invitation, Pledge of Allegiance

B. Declarations of conflict of interest pursuant to Utah Code 67-16. NONE

C. Approval of Agenda

Motion: Board Member Nanette Billings

Second: Board Member Dan McGuire

Vote:

Board Member Justin Sip	ABSENT
Board Member Richard Hirschi	AYE
Board Member Nanette Billings	AYE
Board Member LaRene Cox	ABSENT
Board Chairman Bill Hoster	AYE
Board Member Paul Luwe	ABSENT
Board Member Dan McGuire	AYE
Board Member Randy Aton	ABSENT

D. **Consent Agenda:** (Items on the *consent* agenda may not require discussion. These items will be a single motion unless removed at the request of the Chairman or Board Members.)

E. **Citizen Comment & Request for Future Agenda Items:** All public comments need to be submitted in writing and emailed to info@hvfssd.org by noon on the day of the meeting. No action may be taken on a matter raised under this agenda item. This item is reserved for items not listed on this agenda. (Three minutes per person)



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F. Business:

1. Utah State Representative Joseph Elison: Report on House Bill 392.

Representative Joseph Elison gave an update on the House bill. HB 392 came from the board; primarily they brought this bill to life. TRT is hard to get through so let's see the sales tax option. Explaining the different options and the sales tax was the best solution at this time. If the board and the County Commission were on board this was something that he would back. There were some challenges with this because of the division of the draft and there was a lot of thought that went into this bill. This bill will have the tax go to the entity that it's derived from. This will need to go to the ballot so that we can have the tax implemented and to have the visitors contribute to the district that they use when they are here.

2:13 pm Board Member Justin Sip Arrives.

2. Review and possible approval of a resolution as follows: (1) to approve a sales tax of up to 1% to fund emergency medical services provided by Hurricane Valley Fire SSD in place of property tax, and (2) to recommend to Washington County that it do the same and submit the question to the voters within the Hurricane Valley Fire SSD boundaries at the August 15, 2023, election.

Board Chairman Bill Hoster goes over the presentation that was sent earlier for the meeting.

Chief Kuhlmann this board needs to approve this and send a recommendation to the commissioners and then to the voters. If the board passes a resolution today April 4 will be the county commissioners meeting. We need to send a recommendation now to get this going.

Board Member Nanette Billings what is the timeframe to get on the ballot June 1, she feels like they do not have time to have solid numbers on this topic.

Chief Kuhlmann states that the county commissioners are the ones that will make the choice of the amount.

Board Member Nanette Billings states that she doesn't want to vote without the other members of the board. She states that if she was not here, she would want us to wait.

Chief Kuhlmann states the Lt Governor needs to know by June 1st. There are issues they need to work through so the timing depends on our actions.

The board to hold public meetings to explain what the process is. August 15 election time so this can start the first of 2024 not the middle.

Slide show presentation. Name the big businesses that are hire target places and we need to have strategic planning for these like fire fee.

Deputy Chief Joe Decker and Board Member Justin Sip going over the possibilities for the fire fee for the bigger companies. Board Chairman Bill Hoster stating that we want to get this on the ballot to start the process. We want to recommend this to the commissioners.



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Vote:

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Board Member Richard Hirschi	AYE
Board Member Nanette Billings	NAY
Board Member LaRene Cox	ABSENT
Board Chairman Bill Hoster	AYE
Board Member Paul Luwe	ABSENT
Board Member Dan McGuire	AYE
Board Member Randy Aton	ABSENT

Motion carries vote moves.

3. Discussion on the operational staff survey of the HVFSSD shift schedule.

Deputy Chief Joseph Decker states that April 23 is going through as the start date for 48/96. Staff have shown that they want to move forward on this schedule. Discussion on the process and the effect that it will have on the district.

4. Mandatory Training for Board Members. LeGrand Bitter, Executive Director of the Utah

LaGrand Bitters holds an open meeting training for the board, those in the meeting were, Justin Sip, Richard Hirschi, Nanette Billings, Bill Hoster, Dan McGuire was present at this training.

Closed Session the Board may vote to discuss certain matters in Closed Session pursuant to Utah Code Annotated 52-4-5.

No Closed Session.

Board Chair Bill Hoster motions to adjourn.

Motion: Justin Sip
Second: Dan McGuire
Vote: ALL AYE



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G. Adjourn:

Meeting adjourned at 3:38 pm

Date approved:

Minutes taken by Cari Bishop

Bill Hoster, Board Chairman

Attest:

Cari Bishop, District Clerk

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