

CARBONDALE & RURAL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

CARBONDALE FIRE HEADQUARTERS

JUNE 24, 2020

The Board of Directors of the Carbondale & Rural Fire Protection District held a held an in-person meeting and teleconference for a special meeting on June 24, 2020.

President Gene Schilling called the meeting to order at 11:03 a.m. Directors present were: Gene Schilling, Mike Kennedy, Michael Hassig, and Sydney Schalit. Director Gretchen Stock Bell attended by teleconference. Also present were Rob Goodwin, Jenny Cutright, Eric Gross and Dino Ross via teleconference.

EXECUTIVE SESSION UNDER §24-6-402(4)(B), C.R.S., CONFERENCE WITH DISTRICT ATTORNEYS FOR THE FOR THE PURPOSES OF RECEIVING LEGAL ADVICE ON SPECIFIC LEGAL QUESTIONS RELATING TO THE GALLAGHER AMENDMENT MATTER. THE PARTICULAR MATTER THAT IS TO BE DISCUSSED BEHIND CLOSED DOORS IS THE POTENTIAL IMPACT OF THE GALLAGHER AMENDMENT TO THE DISTRICT.

MOTION: To go into executive session at under §24-6-402(4)(b), C.R.S., Conference with District attorneys for the for the purposes of receiving legal advice on specific legal questions relating to the Gallagher Amendment matter. The particular matter that is to be discussed behind closed doors is the potential impact of the Gallagher Amendment to the District. The wording of the motion was discussed. It was noted that Dino Ross agreed to be special counsel for this topic and is on the teleconference. Dino Ross was introduced to the Board of Directors and reviewed the wording of the motion. Further discussion regarding executive sessions followed. It carried and passed unanimously.

Prior to entering the Executive Session, it was discussed if the Executive Session should be recorded as the Executive Session is to receive legal advice. Further discussion regarding recording this executive session followed. It was decided by the Board of Directors to record the Executive Session.

Present at the executive session were: President Gene Schilling, Vice-President Mike Kennedy, Secretary/Treasurer Michael Hassig, Director Gretchen Stock Bell, Director Sydney Schalit, Fire Chief Rob Goodwin, Board Attorney Eric Gross, Attorney Dino Ross and Secretary to the Board of Directors Jenny Cutright.

The Board of Directors went in to an executive session at 11:16 a m.

The Board of Directors reconvened the special meeting at 12:03 p.m.

Discussion regarding the Gallagher Amendment and a possible ballot question to freeze the residential assessment rate followed. The Board of Directors directed Rob Goodwin and Eric Gross to research a Revenue Stabilization question and process, and Eric Gross and Dino Ross to draft ballot language. It was noted that the ballot question language and discussion were solely for discussion purposes. Further discussion followed.

Vice-President Mike Kennedy left the meeting at 12:28 p.m.

Discussion regarding retaining Ireland Stapleton to work with Eric Gross on revenue stabilization research followed.

Dino Ross left the meeting at 12:36 p.m.

MOTION: To engage Ireland Stapleton to assist the District in exploring a revenue stabilization question on the November 2020 ballot. It carried and passed unanimously.

COVID-19 UPDATE

The fire chiefs and county health departments are in weekly communication. There has been an increase in COVID-19 cases, but they seem to be in clusters, not community spread. There has been an increase in COVID-19 related calls.

The protocols for responding on COVID-19 calls are still in place. The District has PAPRs which are an additional layer of PPE to protect the crew.

The District has submitted grants to DOLA, Bureau of Justice Assistance, Help Colorado Now and the Rocky Mountain Health Foundation. They are working on the FEMA grant still .

STATION 82 APARTMENT

One of the Station 82 apartment tenants, a volunteer, has been there for many years. There have been complaints from the public over the years, and the District recently learned that the volunteer wasn't living there, but allowing someone else to. This tenant will be moving out no later than August 15, 2020.

Discussion regarding a policy on how rental units are to be maintained and rental duties followed. The next tenant will have a 6-month agreement so it can be ascertained if that person will follow through on the duties and responsibilities. If so, a year to year contract can be offered, which will be subject to renegotiation.

MOTION: To adjourn the Board of Directors meeting at 12:57 p.m. It carried and passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Jenny Cutright, Recording Secretary

Gene Schilling, President