

**MINUTES OF THE
THIRTEEN HUNDRED and FIRST (1302nd) MEETING
OF THE
EUREKA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
ST. LOUIS AND JEFFERSON COUNTIES
STATE OF MISSOURI**

December 11, 2023

BE IT REMEMBERED that the Board of Directors of Eureka Fire Protection District of St. Louis and Jefferson Counties, Eureka, Missouri met at the office of said District, Fire Station 1 – Meeting Room; 4849 Highway 109, Eureka, Missouri 63025, on Monday, December 11, 2023, at 1730 hours (5:30 p.m.). At the above time and place there were present:

ROLL

Charles L. Brown	-- Treasurer and Director
Patrick Feder	-- Chairman and Director
Gregory Lee Mathison, Jr.	-- Secretary and Director -Absent

Fire Chief Greg Brown

Guests in physical attendance -

Members of the District Staff

QUORUM

A quorum being present, the Chairman called the meeting to order and announced the Board of Directors meeting to be in session for the transaction of any and all business to be brought before it at this time. The Chairman also confirmed that the posted agenda for the meeting contained instructions for accessing the meeting electronically.

AMENDMENTS TO AGENDA

The Chairman inquired as to whether there were any amendments to the Tentative Agenda for the meeting. Chief Brown reported the following additions to the tentative agenda:

III. Pension Issues: none.

IV. Communications: none.

V. Public Comments: none.

VII. Budget: none.

VIII. Old Business: none.

IX. New Business: none.

On motion made by Director Brown and seconded by Director Feder the Tentative Agenda was accepted as the Final Approved Agenda as per copy attached to these Minutes and with the above amendments, if any.

I. APPROVAL OF PRIOR MINUTES

The Chairman called for acceptance or rejection of meeting Minutes for the November 27, 2023 Board of Director meetings.

The Minutes of the November 27, 2023 meetings of the Board of Directors were presented for review, modification, or approval.

Following discussion, and on motion by Director Brown, seconded by Director Feder, the approval of the Minutes of the November 27, 2023 meetings of the Board of Directors were approved by the Board.

The Board of Directors being present and voting affirmatively, the motion was adopted and approved. The roll call vote was as follows:

Director Charles L. Brown	- Aye
Director Pat Feder	- Aye
Director Gregory Lee Mathison, Jr.	- Absent

II. PRESENTATIONS

No items presented.

III. PENSION BOARD

No items presented.

IV. COMMUNICATIONS

The Chairman next called for discussion of Communications.

A. Thank you from Anne Noble

Chief Brown provided a copy of the Thank You letter from Anne Noble and David Connally for the assistance from Tyler Long and Brennen Roberts.

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS

The Chairman next called for Public Comments.

No items were presented.

VI. SHOP STEWARD REMARKS

The Chairman next called for any remarks from the Shop Steward.

Union Vice President Doug Ruse and Shop Steward Virgil Davis appeared and presented a copy of the Amendment to the CBA signed by Local 2665 reflecting the 5% pay increase for 2024.

A brief discussion was held.

After discussion, Director Feder made a motion to approve the amendment to the CBA, and the motion was duly second by Director Brown.

The Board of Directors being present and voting affirmatively, the motion was adopted and approved. The roll call vote was as follows:

Director Charles L. Brown	- Aye
Director Pat Feder	- Aye
Director Gregory Lee Mathison, Jr.	- Absent

Union Vice President Doug Ruse and Shop Steward Virgil Davis appeared and

thanked the Board for the 5% pay increase for 2024.

VII. BUDGET AND FINANCIAL MATTERS

A. Treasurer's Report

The Chairman next called for a discussion of financial matters. A financial report was presented to the Board of Directors for review of general revenue checking, capital improvement checking fund, medical self-insurance fund, escrow balances, preliminary check register with attachments, and account payable invoices. Following a brief discussion, a motion was duly made by Director Brown, and seconded by Director Feder, and the following Resolution was unanimously adopted:

**RESOLUTION
ADOPTING THE TREASURER'S REPORT
OF THE
EUREKA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
December 11, 2023**

“BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Directors of the Eureka Fire Protection District of St. Louis and Jefferson Counties, Missouri, that the Treasurer's Report submitted to the Board of Directors, December 11, 2023, is hereby approved and accepted, including the payment of bills presented, with corrections if any; and,

RESOLVED, FURTHER, that said Report be appended to these Minutes and incorporated herein by reference, and that the disbursements, payment of bills, and transfers of funds therein approved be made by the appropriate, District Officers.”

The Board of Directors being present and voting affirmatively, the Resolution was adopted and approved. The roll call vote was as follows:

Director Charles L. Brown	- Aye
Director Pat Feder	- Aye
Director Gregory Lee Mathison, Jr.	- Absent

B. 2024 Budget

Chief Brown passed out to the Board a copy of the final proposed draft of the 2024 budget for approval. Chief Brown reviewed the budget categories and proposed budget amounts in several categories.

A general budget discussion was held.

After discussion, Director Feder made a motion to approve the 2024, and the motion was duly second by Director Brown.

The Board of Directors being present and voting affirmatively, the motion was adopted and approved. The roll call vote was as follows:

Director Charles L. Brown	- Aye
Director Pat Feder	- Aye
Director Gregory Lee Mathison, Jr.	- Absent

C. Signing 2024 CCE911 Contract

Chief Brown presented to the Board the revised agreement with Central County 911 for 2024. He informed the Board the CCE911 had agreed to adjust the contract fee for 2024 to a flat 5% for all contract entities. As a result, the fee for 2024 will be reduced from \$260,000 down to \$236,458.

A brief discussion was held.

After discussion, Director Brown made a motion to authorize Director Feder to sign the contract for 2024 with Central County Emergency 911, and the motion was duly second by Director Feder.

The Board of Directors being present and voting affirmatively, the motion was adopted and approved. The roll call vote was as follows:

Director Charles L. Brown	- Aye
Director Pat Feder	- Aye
Director Gregory Lee Mathison, Jr.	- Absent

D. December 26th Board meeting

Chief Brown inquired as to whether the Board wanted to hold the Board meeting on December 26th or to cancel the meeting.

After discussion, the Board decided to cancel the December 26, 2023 Board meeting.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

A. Stop Loss Insurance Error

Deputy Chief Stamberger presented a memo to the Board concerning an error in the information presented to the Board from Howard Danzig and IPMG concerning the District's stop-loss insurance renewal. At the November 27, 2023 meeting, it was reported that the renewal was a 3.56% reduction, but when the District received the premium notice it was discovered that the premium was an actual 10.17% increase. Chief Stamberger stated that it was a error by the IPMG marketing department and that IPMG had agreed to waive the \$5 increase in the administrative fee for 2024 and that Howard Danzig had agreed to reduce his commission for 2024 by 30%.

A brief discussion was held.

After discussion, Director Brown made a motion to approve the revised premium, and the motion was duly second by Director Feder.

The Board of Directors being present and voting affirmatively, the motion was adopted and approved. The roll call vote was as follows:

Director Charles L. Brown	- Aye
Director Pat Feder	- Aye
Director Gregory Lee Mathison, Jr.	- Absent

B. Medical Control Agreement

Chief Brown provided the Board with a short memo indicating that SSM has decided to not charge for Medical Control Services for 2024.

A brief discussion was held.

After discussion, Director Brown made a motion to continue to use SSM for Medical Control Services for 2024, and the motion was duly second by Director Feder.

The Board of Directors being present and voting affirmatively, the motion was adopted and approved. The roll call vote was as follows:

Director Charles L. Brown	- Aye
Director Pat Feder	- Aye
Director Gregory Lee Mathison, Jr.	- Absent

IX. NEW BUSINESS

There being no further Old Business matters, the Chairman then requested the presentation of any New Business.

A. Award Bids for New Cascade System

The Chairman next called for the presentation of the bid recommendation for the cascade system at the Training Center.

Assistant Chief Barthelmass presented to the Board a bid recommendation memo to the Board. He presented the committee's recommendation to award the bid to Sentinel Emergency Solutions in the amount of \$51,847.31.

A brief discussion was held.

After discussion, Director Brown made a motion to award the bid, and the motion was duly second by Director Feder.

The Board of Directors being present and voting affirmatively, the motion was adopted and approved. The roll call vote was as follows:

Director Charles L. Brown	- Aye
Director Pat Feder	- Aye
Director Gregory Lee Mathison, Jr.	- Absent

MOTION FOR CLOSED SESSION

Thereafter, on motion duly made by Director Feder, seconded by Director Brown, and unanimously adopted, it was decided that there shall be a closed meeting of the board of directors, with closed records and closed vote, to be held for the discussion pursuant to RSMo. Section 610.021 (1) Legal actions, causes of action or litigation involving a public governmental body and any confidential or privileged communications between a public governmental body or its representatives and its attorneys; RSMo. Section 610.0.021(3), Hiring, Firing, Discipline or Promoting of Particular Employees by a public governmental body when personal information about the employee is discussed or recorded; and RSMo. Section 610.021(23), Preparation, including any discussions or work product, on behalf of a public governmental body or its representatives for negotiations with employee groups, to occur immediately after "new business" or at such time during the meeting as convenient to the meeting.

The Board of Directors being present and voting affirmatively, the Motion was adopted and approved. The roll call vote was as follows:

Director Charles L. Brown	- Aye
Director Patrick Feder	- Aye
Director Gregory Lee Mathison, Jr.	- Absent

Based upon the foregoing vote, the public session of the meeting of the Board of Directors adjourned at 5:50 p.m. and a Closed Meeting was held.

RECONVENING OF OPEN SESSION

The public portion of the meeting reconvened at 5:57 pm.

THE CHAIRMAN HEREBY STATED THAT NO OTHER OFFICIAL VOTES OR OFFICIAL ACTIONS WERE TAKEN BY THE BOARD IN CLOSED SESSION AT THE DECEMBER 11, 2023 CLOSED MEETING REQUIRING A ROLL CALL VOTE.

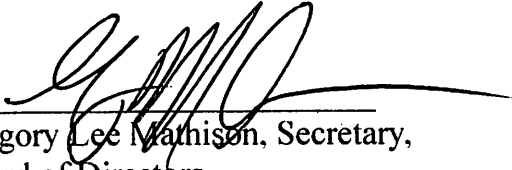
X. ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEXT MEETING

Therefore, there being no other or further business to come before the Board, the Chairman stated that the next regular meeting of the Board of Directors shall be held on Tuesday, January 9, 2024 at 1730 hours, Fire Station 1, Meeting Room, 4849 Highway 109, Eureka Fire Protection District, Eureka, Missouri.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion duly made, seconded, and unanimously approved, the Chairman adjourned the general public meeting of the Board of Directors at 1557 hours (5:57 p.m.).

Respectfully submitted,



Gregory Lee Mathison, Secretary,
Board of Directors

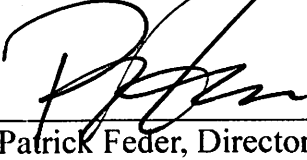
Approved:



01/09/2024

Charles L. Brown, Director

Date



1/9/24

Patrick Feder, Director

Date

ABSENT

Gregory Lee Mathison, Jr.

Date