

**MINUTES OF THE
TWELVE HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-THIRD (1283rd) MEETING
OF THE
EUREKA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
ST. LOUIS AND JEFFERSON COUNTIES
STATE OF MISSOURI**

February 28, 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 Tuesday, February 28, 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 or not 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 aforementioned amendments.

I. APPROVAL OF PRIOR MINUTES

The Chairman called for acceptance or rejection of meeting Minutes for the February 14, 2023 Board of Director meetings.

The Minutes of the February 14, 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 February 14, 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
Gregory Lee Mathison, Jr.	- Absent

II. PRESENTATIONS

No items presented.

III. PENSION BOARD

A. Update on additional funds to 457 and Defined Contribution Plan

Chief Brown and Deputy Chief Stamberger provided an update on a list of additional investment funds that the District wants to add to the selection of available investment funds in the 457 and Direct Contribution Plan. It was reported that all the funds are conservative in nature and similar to the existing funds in the program and that there will be no additional cost to the District as the result of adding the additional funds.

A general discussion was held. Chairman Feder asked if the bids were within the range expected and it was reported that bids were within the cost estimations for the project.

After further discussion Director Brown made a motion to approve the bids, and the Motion was seconded 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
Gregory Lee Mathison, Jr.	- Absent

IV. COMMUNICATIONS

The Chairman next called for discussion of Communications.

A. Letter of Resignation

Chief Brown presented to the Board for review the letter of resignation from Ryan Darnell and informed the Board that he accepted a position with Fenton Fire District.

Director Brown made a motion to accept the resignation letter, and the Motion was seconded 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
Gregory Lee Mathison, Jr.	- Absent

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS

The Chairman next called for Public Comments.

No items presented.

VI. SHOP STEWARD REMARKS

Shop Steward Virgil did not attend the meeting and did not present any items to the Board.

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
February 28, 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, February 28, 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
Gregory Lee Mathison, Jr.	- Absent

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

The Chairman then called the next item on the agenda: Old Business.

A. Update on Unit 2424

Chief Brown informed the Board that the new pumper 2424 will be ready to be placed into service in approximately a couple of weeks. He also informed the Board that some of the District's units will be re-numbered to stay current with the most recent emergency dispatch guidelines.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

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

C. Junior Candidates

Assistant Chief Barthelmass presented to the Board an approved list of 4 candidates for the District's Junior Firefighter Program:

Jackson Chamberlain

Bevin Pratt

Same Heacox

Bryer Poe

Following discussion, and on motion by Director Brown to approve the Junior recommendations, seconded by Director Feder, the motion was 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 Patrick Feder - Aye
Director Gregory Lee Mathison, Jr. - Absent

B. Policy Update

Chief Brown presented to the Board for review and approval a small revision to District's Policy Manual related to uniform policy to allow for award ribbons, BackStopper lapel pin and other items.

A brief discussion was held.

Director Brown made a motion to approve the policy change, and the Motion was seconded 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
Gregory Lee Mathison, Jr. - Absent

C. State Fair Department Request

Chief Brown submitted to the Board for approval the annual request from the Missouri State Fair Fire Department to use the District's Reserve pumper for the 2023 State Fair.

A brief discussion was held.

Director Brown made a motion to approve the request, and the Motion was seconded 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
Gregory Lee Mathison, Jr.

- Aye
- Absent

D. Strategic Planning

Chief Brown informed the Board that he was requesting permission to move forward on the development of a long-term strategic plan for the District. He briefly discussed the highlights of the ideas that he had concerning the best process to develop a comprehensive long-term strategic plan.

A brief discussion was held. The Board offered comment that it sounded like a good idea and that they will look forward to further updates.

A vote was not held.

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 610.021(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 6:12 pm.

THE CHAIRMAN ANNOUNCED THAT NO OFFICIAL VOTES OR OFFICIAL ACTIONS WERE TAKEN BY THE BOARD IN CLOSED SESSION.

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, March 14, 2023 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 1812 hours (6:12 p.m.).

Respectfully submitted,




Gregory Lee Mathison, Jr., Secretary
Board of Directors

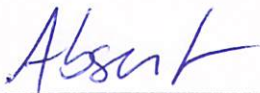
Approved:



Charles L. Brown, Director 03/14/23
Date



Patrick Feder, Director 3/14/23
Date



Gregory Lee Mathison, Jr. Date