

**MINUTES OF THE
TWELVE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-FIFTH (1225th) MEETING
OF THE
EUREKA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
ST. LOUIS AND JEFFERSON COUNTIES
STATE OF MISSOURI**

September 22, 2020

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, Training – Meeting Room; Station One; 4249 Highway 109, Eureka, Missouri 63025, on Tuesday, September 22, 2020, at 1930 hours (7:30 p.m.). At the above time and place there were present:

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| Charles L. Brown | -- Treasurer and Director - via telephone |
| Patrick Feder | -- Chairman and Director |
| Charles E. Kuhn | -- Secretary and Director - via telephone |

Fire Chief Greg Brown
Assistant Chief Brad Dickinson

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. It was announced that due to the COVID-19 State of Emergency, that it was not possible for at least 2 members of the Board to be physically present at the meeting and therefore, the Board was operating under to rules of virtual meetings for public entities consistent with the Missouri Attorney General advisory memo dated 4-1-2020. 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:

II. Pension Issues: none.

III. Communications: none.

IV. Public Comments: none.

V. Budget: none.

VI. Old Business: none.

VII. New Business: none.

On motion made by Director Kuhn and seconded by Director Brown, 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 September 8, 2020.

Due to the lack of two (2) Board members physically present at the meeting, the minutes for the September 8, 2020 meeting were tabled to the September 22, 2020 meeting.

II. PENSION BOARD

Nothing was presented to the Board.

III. COMMUNICATIONS

The Chairman next called for discussion of Communications.

A. Life Saving Award.

Chief Brown made a Life Saving Award presentation to Kent Hamilton.

B. Audit

Chief Brown informed the Board that the State Auditor had confirmed receipt of the 2019 Audit Report.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS

The Chairman next called for Public Comments.

V. 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 Kuhn, and the following Resolution was unanimously adopted:

**RESOLUTION
ADOPTING THE TREASURER'S REPORT
OF THE
EUREKA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
September 22, 2020**

“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, September 22, 2020, 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:

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| Director Charles L. Brown | - Aye via telephone |
| Director Pat Feder | - Aye |
| Director Charles E. Kuhn | - Aye -via telephone |

B. 2021 Budget

Chief Brown submitted to the Board a final draft of the 2021 Budget for review and consideration.

A brief discussion was held.

After discussion, Director Kuhn made a motion to approve the variance, and the Motion was seconded 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:

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| Director Charles L. Brown | - Aye via telephone |
| Director Pat Feder | - Aye |
| Director Charles Kuhn | - Aye -via telephone |

C. Bond Defeasance

Chief Brown updated the Board on the upcoming bond defeasance and informed the Board that the closing is scheduled for September 23, 2020.

D. Public Hearing for Tax Rates

The Chairman called the Public Hearing to allow public comments on the District’s proposed tax rate levy for 2020. No public comments were presented to the Board. The Chairman then closed the public hearing as no members of the public were present.

E. 2020 Tax Rates

The Chairman next called for approval the 2020 Tax rate resolution and Pro Forma.

A brief discussion was held.

Following discussion, and on motion by Director Feder, and duly seconded by Director Brown, the 2020 Tax Levy Resolution and Pro Forma was approved and accepted:

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

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| Director Charles L. Brown | - Aye via telephone |
| Director Pat Feder | - Aye |
| Director Charles E. Kuhn | - Aye via telephone |

VI. OLD BUSINESS

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

A. Task Force 1 Deployment

Chief Brown and Chief Barthelmass gave an update to the Board concerning District personnel being deployed as part of Task Force 1 in response to the recent Gulf Coast hurricanes.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

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

A. Ambulance Billing Revisions

Chief Brown provided to the Board the results of the recent survey of surrounding ambulance districts of the median charges for ambulance services. Based upon the survey, Chief Brown made a recommendation to the Board that they consider increasing

the billing rates for ambulance services up to \$1,000 flat fee plus an additional \$10.00 per road mile for review and approval.

A general discussion was held.

After discussion, Director Brown made a motion to approve the increase, and the Motion was seconded by Director Kuhn. The Board of Directors being present and voting affirmatively, the Motion was adopted and approved. The roll call vote was as follows:

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| Director Charles L. Brown | - Aye via telephone |
| Director Pat Feder | - Aye |
| Director Charles Kuhn | - Aye -via telephone |

MOTION FOR CLOSED SESSION

Thereafter, on motion duly made by Director Kuhn, 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:

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| Director Charles L. Brown | - Aye via telephone |
| Director Patrick Feder | - Aye |
| Director Charles Kuhn | - Aye -via telephone |

Based upon the foregoing vote, the public session of the meeting of the Board of Directors adjourned at 7:56 p.m. and a Closed Meeting was held.

RECONVENING OF OPEN SESSION

The public portion of the meeting reconvened at 8:01 pm.

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

THE CHAIRMAN ANNOUNCED THAT NO OFFICIAL VOTES OR OFFICIAL ACTIONS WERE TAKEN BY THE BOARD IN CLOSED SESSION DUE TO THE FACT THAT A CLOSED MEETING WAS NOT HELD.

VIII. 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 Tuesday, October 13, 2020 at 1930 hours, Training Center, Eureka Fire Protection District, Old Highway 66, Eureka, Missouri.

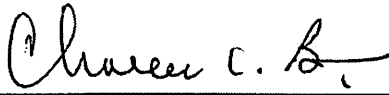
ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion duly made, seconded, and unanimously approved, the Chairman adjourned the general public meeting of the Board of Directors at 2002 hours (22:02 p.m.).

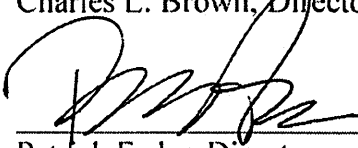
Respectfully submitted,

Charles E. Kuhn, Secretary,
Board of Directors

Approved:

 10/13/2020

Charles L. Brown, Director Date

 10/13/2020

Patrick Feder, Director Date

Charles E. Kuhn, Director Date