

# **BOONE COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT**

**January 20, 2021**

The Board of Directors of the Boone County Fire Protection District met on Wednesday, December 16, 2020 at 5:30 PM, at the Administration Office located at 2201 I-70 Drive NW, Columbia, Missouri. Those present were: Chairman Dave Shorr, Board Member John Sam Williamson, Board Member Bill Watkins, Board Member Jay Turner, Attorney Jeff Parshall, Fire Chief Scott Olsen, Bureau Director Gale Blomenkamp, Bureau Director Bryant Gladney, Battalion Chief Chuck Doss and Bureau Director Shawna Schnieders.

Chairman Shorr called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM.

A motion was made by Board Member Watkins to accept the agenda as presented. Seconded by Board Member Williamson. No further discussion. A roll call vote was taken:

- Board Member David Ritchie – Absent
- Board Member John Sam Williamson – Yes
- Board Member Jay Turner - Yes
- Board Member Bill Watkins – Yes
- Chairman Dave Shorr – Yes

Fire Chief Olsen presented the board with the plan for the bond issue election which will be held in April, 2021. The facility portion of this bond will be for land acquisition, architectural fees at Stations 5 and 8 and Station 12 storm shelter. The Fire Chief Olsen introduced Haden Crompton, with Gilmore and Bell to present the bond issue resolution. The marketing plan, PowerPoint presentations, etc. will be available the beginning of February, 2021. A motion was made by Board Chairman Shorr to authorize the schedule of apparatus, equipment and facilities in the 2021 10-year General Obligation Bond Plan. Motion seconded by Board Member Williamson. No further discussion. A roll call vote was taken:

- Board Member David Ritchie – Absent
- Board Member John Sam Williamson – Yes
- Board Member Jay Turner - Yes
- Board Member Bill Watkins – Yes
- Chairman Dave Shorr – Yes

A motion was made by Board Member Williamson to accept the following resolution as printed on the board meeting agenda.

A resolution authorizing the Boone County Fire Protection District to call an election on April 6, 2021, on the question whether to issue general obligation bonds in the amount of \$6,000,000. Approval of the question is not expected to result in an increase to the Fire District's debt service tax levy.

Motion seconded by Board Member Williamson. No further discussion. A roll call vote was taken:

- Board Member David Ritchie – Absent
- Board Member John Sam Williamson – Yes
- Board Member Jay Turner - Yes
- Board Member Bill Watkins – Yes
- Chairman Dave Shorr – Yes

Chairman Shorr called for public comment.

A motion was made by Board Member Turner to approve the December 16, 2020 Regular Meeting Minutes. Motion was seconded by Board Member Williamson. No further discussion. A roll call was taken:

Board Member David Ritchie – Absent  
Board Member Jay Turner – Yes  
Board Member John Sam Williamson – Yes  
Board Member Bill Watkins – Yes  
Chairman Dave Shorr – Yes

A motion was made by Board Member Turner to approve the January 6, 2021 Special Open Board Meeting Minutes. Motion was seconded by Board Member Williamson. No further discussion. A roll call was taken:

Board Member David Ritchie – Absent  
Board Member Jay Turner – Yes  
Board Member John Sam Williamson – Yes  
Board Member Bill Watkins – Yes  
Chairman Dave Shorr – Yes

Board Member John Sam Williamson presented the December, 2020 Financials. The December, 2020 Financials were accepted as distributed.

Fire Chief Olsen stated there were three additional members staff would like to be added to our 2021-1 Recruit class. Board Member Williamson made a motion to add Devin Clark, Rachel Ulbrich and Kyle Patrick to the 2021-1 Recruit class. Motion was seconded by Board Member Watkins. No further discussion. A roll call vote was taken:

Board Member David Ritchie – Absent  
Board Member John Sam Williamson – Yes  
Board Member Jay Turner - Yes  
Board Member Bill Watkins – Yes  
Chairman Dave Shorr – Yes

Bureau Director Schnieders stated this was an agreement with Tranquility Internet to provide fiber services at Station 10. This is exactly as the previous agreements. A motion was made by Board Member Williamson to authorize the agreement as presented. Motion seconded by Board Member Watkins. No further discussion. A roll call vote was taken:

Board Member David Ritchie – Absent  
Board Member John Sam Williamson – Yes  
Board Member Jay Turner - Yes  
Board Member Bill Watkins – Yes  
Chairman Dave Shorr – Yes

Bureau Director Blomenkamp stated that staff had done a comprehensive review of PPE and has gone out for proposals. In keeping with our 50 sets per year staff would like to request approval to purchase 50 sets of Innotek Inno Energy PPE from Alexis Fire Equipment. A motion was made by Board Member Turner to authorize the purchase of 50 sets of Innotek Inno Energy PPE from Alexis Fire Equipment on Purchase Order 2020-1059 in the amount of \$106,300.00. Motion seconded by Board Member Williamson. No further discussion. A roll call vote was taken:

Board Member David Ritchie – Absent  
Board Member John Sam Williamson – Yes  
Board Member Jay Turner - Yes  
Board Member Bill Watkins – Yes  
Chairman Dave Shorr – Yes

Fire Chief Olsen stated that during the annual Firefighter Appreciation Banquet we typically provide a gift to each member. Due to COVID-19 we did not have the banquet and felt that a \$50 gift card would be appropriate. Motion was made by Board Member Watkins to authorize the expenditure of in the

amount of \$23,458.13. Motion seconded by Board Member Williamson. No further discussion. A roll call vote was taken:

Board Member David Ritchie – Absent  
Board Member John Sam Williamson – Yes  
Board Member Jay Turner - Yes  
Board Member Bill Watkins – Yes  
Chairman Dave Shorr – Yes

Bureau Director Gladney stated that the Union Ambulance was our template agreement for paramedic clinicals. A motion was made by Board Member Williamson to authorize the agreement as presented. Motion seconded by Board Member Watkins.

Board Member David Ritchie – Absent  
Board Member John Sam Williamson – Yes  
Board Member Jay Turner - Yes  
Board Member Bill Watkins – Yes  
Chairman Dave Shorr – Yes

Bureau Director Gladney stated that the SSM agreement for paramedic clinicals was a renewal and that Attorney Parshall has reviewed and approved. A motion was made by Board Member Williamson to authorize the agreement as presented. Motion seconded by Board Member Watkins.

Board Member David Ritchie – Absent  
Board Member John Sam Williamson – Yes  
Board Member Jay Turner - Yes  
Board Member Bill Watkins – Yes  
Chairman Dave Shorr – Yes

Fire Chief Olsen reviewed the COLA and merit increase policy, as well as, the provided spreadsheet to review COLA and merit availability in 2021. The current year is budgeted as a 1.2% COLA increase based upon the Department of Labor publication. A motion was made by Board Member Turner to accept the COLA increases as presented at 1.2% across the board and merit at the Fire Chief's discretion. Motion seconded by Board Member Watkins. No further discussion. A roll call vote was taken:

Board Member David Ritchie – Absent  
Board Member John Sam Williamson – Yes  
Board Member Jay Turner - Yes  
Board Member Bill Watkins – Yes  
Chairman Dave Shorr – Yes

Attorney Parshall gave an update on current cases.

Motion by Board Member Shorr to adjourn open session at 6:45 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Approved by:

Shawna R. Schnieders  
Administrative Services Bureau Director

David Shorr  
Chairman