

# **BOONE COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT**

**November 17, 2021**

The Board of Directors of the Boone County Fire Protection District met on Wednesday, November 17, 2021 at 5:30 PM, at the Administration Office located at 2201 I-70 Drive NW, Columbia, Missouri. Those present were: Acting Chairman John Sam Williamson, Board Member Bill Watkins, Board Member David Ritchie, Board Member Jay Turner, Attorney Jeff Parshall, Fire Chief Scott Olsen, Bureau Director Doug Westhoff, Bureau Director Chuck Leake, Bureau Director Gale Blomenkamp, and Bureau Director Shawna Schnieders.

Acting Chairman Williamson 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 Ritchie. No further discussion. A roll call vote was taken:

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

No public comment.

Bureau Director Schnieders introduced Todd Goffey and Hannah Draper with Piper Sandler to discuss the bond refinancing options. Mr. Goffey presented the bond refinancing and the associated timelines. A motion was made by Board Member Watkins to proceed with the current refunding process. Motion seconded by Board Member Ritchie. No further discussion. A roll call vote was taken:

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

A motion was made by Board Member Ritchie to accept the October 20, 2021 Meeting Minutes. Seconded by Board Member Turner. No further discussion. A roll call vote was taken:

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

Acting Chairman John Sam Williamson presented the October, 2021 Financials. The October, 2021 Financials were accepted as distributed.

Recruit and Retention Manager Benedict presented the 2022-1 Fire District Recruit Eligibility List as distributed. Discussion was held with regard to the needs of the fire district, the number of applicants and the number of interviews held. A motion was made by Board Member Watkins to accept the 2022-1 Fire District Recruit Eligibility List as presented upon the successful completion of the health and wellness physicals and background checks. Motion seconded by Board Member Turner. No further discussion. A roll call vote was taken:

Board Member David Ritchie – Yes  
Acting Chairman John Sam Williamson – Yes  
Board Member Jay Turner - Yes  
Board Member Bill Watkins – Yes

Chairman Dave Shorr – Absent

Bureau Director Leake presented the 2022-1 Task Force Recruit Eligibility List as distributed. Discussion was held with regard to the needs of the task force, the number of applicants and the number of interviews held. A motion was made by Board Member Watkins to accept the 2022-1 Task Force Recruit Eligibility List as presented upon the successful completion of the health and wellness physicals and background checks. Motion seconded by Board Member Richie. No further discussion. A roll call vote was taken:

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

Bureau Director Schnieders presented Purchase Order 2021-0601 for Cavalier Coaches formerly known as White Knight Coaches for services rendered during the Hurricane Ida Deployment. This expenditure will be paid utilizing deployment funding. A motion was made by Board Member Watkins to authorize the expenditure of PO 2021-0601 in the amount of \$121,000.00. Motion seconded by Board Member Turner. No further discussion. A roll call vote was taken:

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

Bureau Director Schnieders presented the Constellation Agreement for Natural Gas. This is a renewal of our current agreement with Constellation at a rate of \$.55. A motion was made by Board Member Watkins to authorize the agreement with Constellation. Motion seconded by Board Member Ritchie. No further discussion. A roll call vote was taken:

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

Bureau Director Schnieders presented the Lexipol AFG Grant Writing Agreement. The agreement has been reviewed by Attorney Parshall. These services will be utilized to write the AFG Grants which opened on November 8 with the scope of work being Thermal Imaging Cameras. A motion was made by Board Member Turner to authorize the agreement with Lexipol for Grant Writing Services in the amount of \$2,500.00. Motion seconded by Board Member Ritchie. No further discussion. A roll call vote was taken:

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

Bureau Director Blumenkamp presented the snow proposals. Three proposals were received ranging from \$1,960 per push to \$7,860 per push. Staff would like to recommend Double D continue as our snow removal vendor. A motion was made by Board Member Watkins to authorize the proposal with Double D. Motion seconded by Board Member Turner. No further discussion. A roll call vote was taken:

Board Member David Ritchie – Yes  
Acting Chairman John Sam Williamson – Yes

Board Member Jay Turner - Yes  
Board Member Bill Watkins – Yes  
Chairman Dave Shorr - Absent

Bureau Director Schnieders stated that we have one open board member seat in the April 5, 2022 election. The board member filing opens on December 7, 2021 at 8:00 AM until December 28, 2021 at 5:00 PM.

Attorney Parshall gave an update on current legal activities.

Motion by Acting Chairman Williamson to adjourn open session at 6:58 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Approved by:

Shawna R. Schnieders  
Administrative Services Bureau Director

David Shorr  
Chairman