

BRIGHTON AREA FIRE AUTHORITY  
January 14, 2016  
Regular Board Meeting

A Regular Meeting of the Brighton Area Fire Authority Board was held on Thursday, January 14, 2016, at the Main Fire Station at 615 W. Grand River Ave, Brighton, Michigan. This Regular Meeting was called to order by Chairperson James Muzzin, at 8:00 a.m.

PRESENT: JIM MORTENSEN  
TODD SMITH (arrived 8:04)  
JIM MUZZIN  
SHAWN PIPOLY  
MIKE CORRIGAN  
LUCILLE WEAIRE (arrived 8:07)  
PATRICK MICHEL

ABSENT: NONE

ALSO PRESENT: Chief Mike O'Brian  
Neal Nielsen, Esq.

Call to the Public

Larry Schillinger – Brighton City resident wished everyone a Happy New Year!

Organizational Meeting

Chairperson Jim Muzzin appointed Chief O'Brian as Chair to run the meeting for the purpose of Nomination and Election of Chairperson.

Nominations and Election of Officers

Chairperson

Jim Mortensen nominated Jim Muzzin as Chairperson

16:001 Motion by Jim Mortensen, supported by Shawn Pipoly

That the nominations for Chairperson are closed and that Jim Muzzin be elected chairperson.

Motion carried unanimously

At this point, Chief O'Brian turned the meeting over to Chairperson Muzzin.

16:002 Motion by Mike Corrigan, supported by Jim Muzzin  
That the nominations for **ALL BAFA Board positions** remain the same as follows:

Vice Chairperson – Jim Mortensen  
Secretary – Mike Corrigan  
Treasurer – Shawn Pipoly  
Personnel Committee – Mike Corrigan, Jim Mortensen, Lucille Weaire  
Assistant Secretary – Lynda Howard  
Assistant Treasurer – Robin Hunt

Motion carried unanimously

#### Swearing in of BAFA Board Members

Diana Lowe initiated the swearing in of all BAFA Board Members:

Jim Muzzin, Shawn Pipoly, Todd Smith, Jim Mortensen, Patrick Michel, Mike Corrigan

Lucille Weaire arrived late and was taken aside and sworn in separately by Diana Lowe with Larry Schillinger as a witness.

#### Approval of Consent Agenda

16:003 Motion by Mike Corrigan, supported by Jim Mortensen

That we approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Motion carried unanimously.

#### Approval of Regular Agenda

16:004 Motion by Todd Smith, supported by Shawn Pipoly

That we approve the Regular Agenda

Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 16-01

16:005 Motion by Jim Mortensen, supported by Mike Corrigan

That we authorize the Fire Chief to file the associated paperwork to adopt the fire millage language in Resolution 16-01 for a millage of 1.5 mills for a term of 5 years.

Ayes: Jim Muzzin, Shawn Pipoly, Todd Smith, Jim Mortensen, Patrick Michel,  
Lucille Weaire, Mike Corrigan

Nays:

Absent:

Abstain:

Motion carried unanimously.

Deputy Chief's Benefit Package

16:006 Motion by Patrick Michel, supported by Jim Mortensen

That we approve the increase of the BAFA healthcare stipend for Deputy Chief Michael Evans in the amount of \$592.55/month with the understanding that the personnel committee will meet to update the Employee Handbook.

Motion carried unanimously.

Good of the Order

Chief O'Brian invited the Board to the 2016 Awards Ceremony for y/e 2015 to be held at Brighton High School Center for the Performing Arts on Friday, January 29th, at 7 p.m.

Chief O'Brian reminded the Board of our annual Soup Out, which will be held February 18, 2016 from 11:00 am – 1:30 pm at Station 31.

Chief O'Brian mentioned that there was a large power outage in the City last night resulting in nine BAFA responses to incidents. Calls ranging from smoke investigations to power panel issues etc. The BECC building's generator never started, which also runs portions of communication for the County 9-1-1 system. As a result portions of the fire department paging and some 9-1-1 services were down temporarily. We were also called to assist Hamburg Fire Department on a fire scene.

The Chief also mentioned that he will be meeting with the three municipalities regarding the need for some capital improvements at the stations.

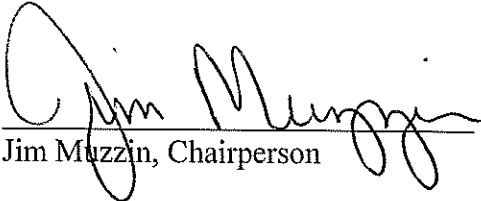
Todd Smith mentioned that he would like another copy of the report that the Chief had provided showing the various functions of the fire department ie: inspections/smoke alarm installs/public education etc. so that Genoa Twp. could post it on their website to inform the public of all the great things the Fire Department does for the community.

Neal Nielsen suggested that the Chief do a press release to inform the public of the Awards Ceremony on January 29<sup>th</sup>. He also suggested including the report mentioned above as part of the press release to highlight the diverse roles, the Fire Department plays in the community. Adding the 3 municipalities web link in the article would also be a good idea.

Adjournment

Motion by Patrick Michel, supported by Mike Corrigan, that we adjourn this meeting.

Motion carried unanimously. This meeting was adjourned at 8:30 am.

  
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Jim Muzzin, Chairperson