

BRIGHTON AREA FIRE AUTHORITY  
June 11, 2015  
Regular Board Meeting

A Regular Meeting of the Brighton Area Fire Authority Board was held on Thursday, June 11, 2015, 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  
LUCILLE WEAIRE  
JIM MUZZIN  
SHAWN PIPOLY  
PATRICK MICHEL

ABSENT: GARY MCCRIRIE  
MIKE CORRIGAN

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

Call to the Public  
None

Approval of Consent Agenda

15:027 Motion by Jim Mortensen, supported by Shawn Pipoly  
That we approve the Consent Agenda as amended.

Motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Regular Agenda

15:028 Motion by Jim Mortensen, supported by Patrick Michel  
That we approve the Regular Agenda as amended.

Motion carried unanimously.

15:029 Motion by Jim Mortensen, supported by Lucille Weaire  
That we approve the May, 2015 check register

Motion carried unanimously.

Amendment to Operating Budget for y/e June 30, 2015

15:030 Motion by Shawn Pipoly, supported by Jim Mortensen  
That we approve the Operating Fund budget for the year ending June 30, 2015 with  
estimated revenue of \$3,042,978, with expenses of \$3,293,871.

Ayes: Pipoly, Mortensen, Michel, Weaire, Muzzin  
Nays: None  
Absent: McCririe, Corrigan

Motion carried 5-0

Amendment to Capital Reserve Budget for y/e June 30, 2015

15:031 Motion by Jim Mortensen, supported by Shawn Pipoly  
That we approve the Capital Reserve Budget for the year ending June 30, 2015 with  
estimated revenue and transfers of \$431,900, with expenses of \$1,462,075.

Ayes: Mortensen, Michel, Weaire, Pipoly, Muzzin  
Nays: None  
Absent: McCririe, Corrigan

Motion carried 5-0

Adoption of 2015 Millage Tax Rate

15:032 Motion by Shawn Pipoly, supported by Lucille Weaire  
That we adopt Resolution 15-01 which approves the 2015 Tax Rate Request (Form L-  
4029) authorizing the levy of 1.25 mils.

Ayes: Michel, Weaire, Pipoly, Mortensen, Muzzin  
Nays: None  
Absent: McCririe, Corrigan

Motion carried 5-0

### Discussion on Future millage for the Brighton Area Fire Authority

The last collection under the currently-approved millage will be made in December, 2015. There was considerable discussion regarding the needs of the Department over the next several years, and what is the expectation of the Board regarding the type of service we provide. Subjects such as increase run volumes, stations maintenance, as well as new and replacement stations were covered. Chief referred to Strategic Plan from Fall of 2014. Also discussed was on which election the next millage vote would be held.

### Discussion on Fire Protection Ordinance

There was discussion regarding the pending Fire Protection Ordinance. The Board recommended working on Ordinance after millage election. No action was taken.

### Good of the Order

Chief O'Brian announced that the Livingston County Fire Fighter Training Academy will be graduating July 15, 2015, of which 10 students are from by Brighton Area Fire Authority. This is in addition to the 2 students hired by Brighton Fire from the Howell Academy.

Fire Inspector Derrick Bunge was hired with a tiered pay rate until he becomes full rate; and he has recently completed the 4<sup>th</sup> of the 5 steps.

The bridge on Spencer over I-96 will be closed beginning Monday, but the 3 ramps (except eastbound entrance ramp to I-96) will remain open.

On Saturday, I-96 will be completely closed (east- and west-bound) for 20-30 minutes between 4 am and 5am.

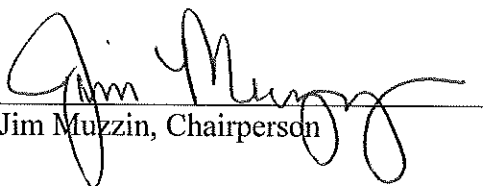
Also on Saturday, Old US 23 will be closed for a couple of hours between 5 am and 12 noon.

The Brighton Area Fire Authority will hold a Department Picnic at Genoa Park Pavilion on Sunday beginning at 3 p.m. Chief O'Brian welcomed the Board to join us.

Chief O'Brian indicated that, thanks to Neal Nielsen, Brighton Area Fire Authority invited Representative Bishop; State Representatives Theis, and Vaupel; State Senator Hune; Mayor Muzzin and several of their staff to a luncheon. The purpose of this was to update and discuss the issues affecting fire departments, including Fire Authorities, EMS, Affordable Care Act and AFG Grants. This meeting was well received by all in attendance.

Adjournment

Motion by Jim Mortensen, supported by Patrick Michel that we adjourn this meeting. Motion carried unanimously. This meeting was adjourned at 9:10 am

  
Jim Muzzin, Chairperson