# BRIGHTON AREA FIRE AUTHORITY July 14, 2016 Regular Board Meeting

A Regular Meeting of the Brighton Area Fire Authority Board was held on Thursday, July 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

PATRICK MICHEL LUCILLE WEAIRE

JIM MUZZIN

ABSENT: TODD SMITH

SHAWN PIPOLY MIKE CORRIGAN

ALSO PRESENT: Chief O'Brian

Neal Nielsen, Esq.

Call to the Public

None

#### Approval of Consent Agenda

16:032 Motion by <u>Jim Mortensen</u>, supported by <u>Lucille Weaire</u>

That we approve the Consent Agenda as amended.

Motion carried unanimously.

# Approval of Regular Agenda

16:033 Motion by <u>Patrick Michel</u>, supported by Jim Mortensen

That we approve the Regular Agenda as amended.

Motion carried unanimously.

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### Check Register June 2016

16:034 Motion by <u>Jim Mortensen</u>, supported by <u>Lucille Weaire</u>

That we approve the June 2016 check register

Motion carried unanimously.

### Appointment of Assistant Secretary

16:035 Motion by <u>Patrick Michel</u>, supported by <u>Lucille Weaire</u>

That we approve appoint Claudette Monroe as the Assistant Secretary expiring at the next organizational meeting of the Authority.

AYES:

Jim Mortensen, Patrick Michel, Lucille Weaire, Jim Muzzin

NAYS:

None

ABSENT:

Todd Smith, Shawn Pipoly, Mike Corrigan

Motion carried 4-0

# Millage Update & Discussion

Chief updated the board on the steps we have taken to get the word out about the millage. Seventy seven BAFA supporters marched in the 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade with orange shirts supporting the fire millage. Staff has met with multiple groups; ie Lions Club, Kiwanis as well as our residential and senior communities. We have utilized over 200 yard signs, a billboard, the media and a website to get the word out about supporting Brighton Firefighters.

#### Good of the Order

Anne updated the board on our staffing levels. We're at 75 paid-on-call firefighters with a goal of 108. Year to date we've lost 10 firefighters. There are 19 people scheduled to take the new hire exam this Saturday which is the first step in the hiring process. Our last group of recruits all passed the Fire Academy and will be graduating on July 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2016. Our next Fire Academy begins September 1<sup>st</sup>.

The board has requested that we do a presentation which focuses on the challenges of recruitment, retention and longevity.

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Patrick Michel mentioned that his two children attended the BAFA Youth Fire Camp in June and said that they both loved it and looked forward to the days activities. Lt. Tom Kiurski did a great job. The Chief mentioned that we would host another Youth Fire Camp next year.

## Adjournment

Motion by <u>Jim Mortensen</u> supported by <u>Patrick Michel</u> that we adjourn this meeting. Motion carried unanimously. This meeting was adjourned at 8:26 a.m.

Jim Muzzin, Chairperson