

BRIGHTON AREA FIRE AUTHORITY
December 9, 2021
Regular Board Meeting

A regular meeting of the Brighton Area Fire Authority Board was held on Thursday, December 9, 2021 at **Station 32 located at 1580 S. Old US-23, Brighton, Michigan**. This regular meeting was called to order by Chairperson Jim Muzzin, at 8:00 a.m.

PRESENT: BILL ROGERS
 JIM MORTENSEN
 PATRICK MICHEL
 JOE RIKER
 JIM MUZZIN
 MIKE CORRIGAN

ABSENT: SHAWN PIPOLY

ALSO PRESENT: Chief O'Brian
 Ken Palka – Pfeffer, Hanniford & Palka, CPA
 Charlie Hainstock- Pfeffer, Hanniford & Palka, CPA

Pledge of Allegiance

Call to the Public

Susan Bakhaus requested an update on the status of the Station 31 building as it pertains to the building ownership.

Approval of Consent Agenda

21:060 Motion by Jim Mortensen supported by Patrick Michel
 That we approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Motion carried unanimously

Approval of Regular Agenda

21:061 Motion by Bill Rogers supported by Mike Corrigan
That we approve the Regular Agenda as amended, adding 5e to the Regular Agenda that reads: "Easement related to Fire Station 33 (closed session)"

Motion carried unanimously

Audit Presentation for FYE June 30, 2021

Ken Palka and Charlie Hainstock of Pfeffer, Hanniford & Palka, C.P.A. presented the DRAFT summary letter and the Audit, and went through it in detail.

21:062 Motion by Patrick Michel supported by Jim Mortensen
That we accept and file the Audit Report presented by Ken and Charlie of Pfeffer, Hanniford & Palka, Certified Public Accountants.

Motion carried unanimously

Request to Authorize a One-Time Contribution to MERS

21:063 Motion by Patrick Michel supported by Joe Riker
That we authorize a one-time contribution to Municipal Employees' Retirement System of Michigan (MERS) in the amount of \$55,322 to be paid no later than December 31, 2021. This payment reflects BAFA's defined benefit program's unfunded liability through June 30, 2021.

AYES: Jim Muzzin, Jim Mortensen, Bill Rogers, Joe Riker, Patrick Michel and Mike Corrigan

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Shawn Pipoly

ABSTAIN: None

Motion carried unanimously

Appointment of Citizen at Large

The current term for Citizen at Large ends on December 31, 2021. The Board received one letter of interest.

- 21:064 Motion by Patrick Michel supported by Bill Rogers
That we appoint Mike Corrigan for a two-year term, beginning January 1, 2022 and concluding December 31, 2023, as the Brighton Area Fire Authority Citizen at Large.

Motion carried unanimously

Request Changes to Turn-Out Gear Purchase

- 21:065 Motion by Patrick Michel supported by Joe Riker

That we authorize the Fire Chief to amend the "Morning Pride Tails" structural firefighting gear, coat and pant purchase from MES/Douglass Safety Systems that was approved in November for \$193,000 for 87 sets of gear to \$219, 675 due to a vendor price increase of \$26,675 out of the capital budget fye 06/30/2022 and modify the capital budget line item. Price guaranteed until Feb. 2, 2022.

AYES: Jim Muzzin, Jim Mortensen, Bill Rogers, Joe Riker, Patrick Michel and
Mike Corrigan
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Shawn Pipoly
ABSTAIN: None

Motion carried unanimously

Easement related to Fire Station 33

21:066 Motion by Mike Corrigan supported by Joe Riker
That the Board meet in closed session under section 8(H) of the Open Meetings Act, to consider attorney client privileged communication in accordance with section 13(1)(g) of the Freedom of Information Act.

AYES: Jim Muzzin, Jim Mortensen, Bill Rogers, Joe Riker, Patrick Michel and
Mike Corrigan
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Shawn Pipoly
ABSTAIN: None

Motion carried unanimously

Went into closed session at 8:32 am

21:067 Motion by Mike Corrigan supported by Patrick Michel
That the Board resume the regular board meeting at 8:48 am

Motion carried unanimously

Good of the Order

Merry Christmas & Happy Holidays to everyone!

Our EMT-Basic Academy is nearing completion and should be wrapping up in the next week then the students will be ready to take the State testing.

Captain Bunge has been working on updating our medical licensure from Medical First Responder (MFR) to Emergency Medical Technician-Basic (EMT-B) and the licensure process should be complete within the next month.

Chief is still working with Livingston County and EMS officials on a solution regarding LCEMS responses.

Bill Rogers mentioned that Livingston County is having a Supervisors meeting to address the LCEMS shortcomings and Patrick Michel noted that it would be beneficial to invite Chief O'Brian to the meeting as an audience member.

Adjournment

21:068 Motion by Patrick Michel supported by Mike Corrigan that we adjourn this meeting.
Motion carried unanimously.

This meeting was adjourned at 8:56 am.



Jim Muzzin, Chairperson