

RECORD OF MINUTES
Elk Creek Fire Protection District
Regular Board Meeting
September 8th, 2022 In person and via Zoom

Director Pixley called the regular meeting of the Board of Directors to order on September 8th, 2022 at 18:00 hours.

ROLL CALL

Directors Present:

Greg Pixley
Kent Wagner
Sharon Woods
Melissa Baker
Chuck Newby

Also Present:

Jacob Ware, Fire Chief
Barbara Stockton, District Administrator

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Pledge led by Director Baker

AGENDA

All board members reviewed the Agenda. Discussion of Chief's salary added to New Business.

MOTION to approve agenda with the addition. (Director Wagner seconded by Director Woods)

MOTION PASSED

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION to approve the August 2022 regular meeting minutes. (Director Newby seconded by Director Woods) **MOTION PASSED**

FINANCIAL MATTERS

MOTION to approve the August 2022 expenses. (Director Wagner seconded by Director Baker)

MOTION PASSED.

CHIEF WARE REPORT

SWEARING IN CEREMONY

OLD BUSINESS

1. Community Outreach and Engagement Committee - see attached meeting minutes
2. Consolidation Committee - see attached meeting minutes

- a. Consultant RFP is out for the community survey. The cost will be shared between the districts. The survey will address three main questions:
 - i. Would the community support consolidation?
 - ii. What are the expectations for the service?
 - iii. What is the threshold for fees?

NEW BUSINESS

1. **MOTION** to approve a 5% raise to Chief's salary retroactive to March of 2022. (Director Woods seconded by Director Wagner) **MOTION PASSED**

CITIZEN ISSUES

1. Is there anything citizens can do to assist since the projected budget for 2023 is flat for property tax income?
2. Consolidation communication to the community. Can citizens get fact sheets that address the biggest challenges with pros and cons of each issue?
3. Timing of consolidation vote and mill levy. Chief shared that he clarified with legal that the 2013 Mill Levy actually sunsets in 2025. The intent is not to push out the vote, but rather gives the District more time. The current plan is for the vote to be in November of 2023. This would be to maintain the current mill levy.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION (Director Woods; seconded by Director Baker) to adjourn the meeting. **MOTION PASSED.**

The meeting of the Board of Directors concluded at 18:45 hours

**BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF THE ELK CREEK FIRE PROTECTION**

DISTRICT

BY: /s/

Melissa Baker
Secretary of the District.