# Meeting Minutes of the Estes Valley Fire Protection District October 9, 2024 12.55 p.m.

Dannels Fire Station, 901 N. St. Vrain Ave., Estes Park, CO 80517

Board: Dave Hamrick, Brian Tseng, Ryan Bross, Mike Lewelling, Chris Buser

Staff: Asst. Chief Jon Landkamer; Interim Chief Paul Capo; Chief of Staff Erika Goetz, Marinda Baxter, Captain Chris Thomas, Lt. Laura Shepard, Lt. Stacey Sutherland

Also Attending: Captain Rick Spear, Lt. Ron Bruchwalski, Lt. Megan Platz, FF Gabe Bruyere, FF Megan Hodde, FF Michael Barnthouse, FF Talia Filsinger, Chief Ian Stewart, Joan Hooper, Warren Merritt with Prothman

Absent: None

President Ryan Bross called the meeting to order at 12:58 p.m.

# President Ryan Bross led the Pledge of Allegiance

Erika Goetz performed roll call - all present

## APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Ryan Bross and seconded by Dave Hamrick to approve the agenda as written. Motion carried unanimously.

# CONFLICT OF INTEREST

None

#### PUBLIC COMMENT None

# NEW BUSINESS -

Motion by Dave Hamrick, seconded by Mike Lewelling to go into an executive session pursuant to section 24-6-402(4)(f) C.R.S. for purposes of discussing a personnel matter regarding Ron Bruchwalski. Motion carried unanimously.

Entered executive session at 1:00pm.

Chief of Staff Goetz recited this statement "Panelists you have been invited into this executive session as advisors to the Board to hear a presentation of the special project by Lt. Ron Bruchwalski. As this is an executive session everything said and/or discussed is privileged and confidential and shall not be discussed outside of executive session".

Motion by Mike Lewelling seconded by Ryan Bross to exit executive session and reenter open session at 1:31pm. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Ryan Bross, seconded by Chris Buser to enter into an executive session pursuant to section 24-6-402(4)(f) C.R.S. for purposes of discussing a personnel matter regarding Paul Capo. Motion carried unanimously.

Entered executive session at 1:32

Chief of Staff Goetz recited this statement "Panelists you have been invited into this executive session as advisors to the Board to hear a presentation of the special project by Interim Chief Paul Capo. As this is an executive session everything said and/or discussed is privileged and confidential and shall not be discussed outside of executive session".

Motion by Mike Lewelling, seconded by Chris Buser to exit executive session and reenter open session at 2:02pm. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Dave Hamrick, seconded by Mike Lewelling to enter into an executive session pursuant to section 24-6-402(4)(f) C.R.S. for purposes of discussing a personnel matter regarding Jon Landkamer. Motion carried unanimously.

Entered executive session at 2:03pm

Chief of Staff Goetz recited this statement "Panelists you have been invited into this executive session as advisors to the Board to hear a presentation of the special project by Assistant Chief Jon Landkamer. As this is an executive session everything said and/or discussed is privileged and confidential and shall not be discussed outside of executive session".

Motion by Dave Hamrick, seconded by Mike Lewelling to exit executive session and reenter open session at 2:32. Motion carried unanimously.

Five Minute Break

Motion by Ryan Bross, seconded by Mike Lewelling to enter into executive session pursuant to section 24-6-402 (4)(e) C.R.S. to determine positions relative to matters that may be subject to negotiations, to develop strategy for negotiations, and to instruct negotiators, all with respect to the terms of employment to be offered to a successful candidate for the Fire Chief position.

## Entered executive session at 2:43pm.

Chief of Staff Goetz stated: As this is an executive session everything said and/or discussed is privileged and confidential and shall not be discussed outside of executive session".

Motion by Mike Lewelling, seconded by Dave Hamrick to exit executive session and reenter open session at 4:31pm. Motion carried unanimously.

Re-entered open session at 4:32pm.

#### Appoint A Negotiations Committee

Discussion took place asking who on the board has availability to be on this committee. A motion by Ryan Bross, seconded by Dave Hamrick to appoint Chris Buser and Brian Tseng to the negotiations committee and to enter into negotiations with candidate A.

#### BOARD COMMENT

The board wanted to thank everyone for their participation in the process. Thanks to Warren from Prothman for help with the process again.

The next main board meeting will be on Wednesday October 30<sup>th</sup> at 4:30pm with a Pension Board meeting before the board meeting at 3:30pm.

Motion by Ryan Bross, seconded by Mike Lewelling to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 4:35 p.m.

David Hamrick, Secretary

The Mission of the Estes Valley Fire Protection District is to provide the citizens of and visitors to the Estes Valley with superior fire prevention, fire protection and emergency services in a safe and efficient manner."