



Special Commissioner Meeting July 16, 2018

Attendance: Commissioners Margaret Dimmick
Jeff Ramey
Todd Bunderson (phone in)
Shelley Young
Randy Howell
Romeo Gervais
Kim Brown

District Administrator
BFD Division Chief
Boise City Fire Marshal
Div. Chief Finance

Call to Order: 10:00 Hours

GENERAL BUSINESS

Co-Staffing Ambulance at Station 18 – Financial Picture – Div. Chief Kim Brown

Division Chief Kim Brown provided the NACFR Board with a handout showing the cost to hire an additional 3 FTE's to staff the ambulance car at Station 18 and explained the 3 FTE staffing budget.

Co-Staffing Ambulance at Station 18 – Operational Overview – BFD Div Chief Howell Fire Marshal Gervais

Division Chief Howell presented an overview of the plan to co-staff an ambulance car with a BFD firefighter paramedic and an Ada County Paramedic. The car would be staffed 6 days per week 24 hours per day. Div. Chief Howell has had 12 BFD firefighter paramedics express interest in the program. The program would allow firefighter paramedics to improve their skills and increase patient interaction time. The co-staffing plan will pair the same Firefighter paramedic with the same Ada County paramedic in order to build relationships between entities.

The Local 149 seems to be open to the concept, but BFD Administration and the Local E-Board have not formally met to discuss the concept at this time.

The NACFR Board discussed the possibility of using the 4th firefighter at Station 16 for the pilot program vs. hiring 3 new FTE's. The Board felt that using the 4th firefighter personnel would be a step backward in their goal to continue adding FTE's and eventually fully staff Station 18.

The possibility of using Constant Staffing (overtime) vs. hiring three new FTEs was discussed. If the Board wished to hire 3 new FTE's the decision would have to be made by 5:00 p.m. this day in order to hire and process new recruits in time for the upcoming academy.

REVIEW OF DRAFT BUDGET FOR FY2019 – ACTION ITEM

District Administrator Young presented the Board with a draft line item budget for the FY2019. The draft budget included the Boise Fire JPA Contract Addendum estimates as well as line items for the possibility of co-staffing the ambulance car. The Board approved of the draft budget.

CONSIDERATION TO IMPLEMENT CO-STAFFING AMBULANCE AT STATION 18 – ACTION ITEM

The NACFR Board considered the plan to co-staff an ambulance car at Station 18. The Board asked each person at the meeting for facts and opinions on the pilot program, funding and hiring. After deliberating the Board determined that while they are in favor of the pilot program and co-staffing the ambulance car it may be premature and less cost effective to hire three new FTEs for the project. Therefore, once the pilot project is ready for launch, the NACFR Board will again meet to determine the best way to fund the required FTEs, trending towards Constant Staffing (overtime).

ADJORN: Commissioner Ramey made motion to adjourn. Commissioner Bunderson second. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.

ADJOURN: 12:11 hours

Margaret Dimmick, Commissioner/Chair

Date