



FIRE & RESCUE DISTRICT

COMMISSIONER MEETING

September 11, 2023 at 4:00 p.m.

**Station 16
5800 Glenwood**

MINUTES

North Ada County Fire & Rescue District Board of Commissioners did conduct a regular Commissioner Meeting at 4:00 p.m., Monday, September 11, 2023. The meeting was available in person and via teleconference. The meeting was conducted in compliance with Idaho Open Meetings Law. The physical meeting site was the administration office at Fire Station 16, located at 5800 Glenwood, Garden City, Idaho.

Call To Order 4:00 p.m.

Commissioner Roll Call: Commissioners Souza, Ramey and Bunderson were present.

GENERAL BUSINESS

***Consideration to Approve Minutes dated August 14, 2023.**

Commissioner Souza made motion to approve the minutes dated August 14, 2023. Commissioner Bunderson second. No further discussion. Roll Call Vote: Ramey (yes), Souza (yes), Bunderson (yes). Motion carried.

***Consideration to Approve the Check List dated September 11, 2023.**

Commissioner Souza made motion to approve the check list dated September 11, 2023. Commissioner Bunderson second. No discussion. Roll Call Vote: Ramey (yes), Souza (yes), Bunderson (yes). Motion carried.

***Consideration to Approve Resolution #69 -- A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE NORTH ADA COUNTY FIRE & RESCUE DISTRICT; Authorizing the Chairman of this Fire District to execute that certain "FY2023 Renewal of the North Ada County Fire and Rescue District/Ada County EMS Stationing and Coordination of Services Agreement".**

Commissioner Souza made motion to approve Resolution #69 – A resolution of the Board of Commissioners of the North Ada County Fire & Rescue District; authorizing the Chairman of the Fire District to execute that certain "FY2023 Renewal of the North Ada County Fire and Rescue District/Ada County EMS Stationing and Coordination of Services Agreement". Commissioner Bunderson second. Discussion: Commissioner Ramey asked Chief Gervais if ACP is still

responding from Station 18. Chief Gervais stated that he believes they are but not consistently. Roll Call Vote: Ramey (yes), Souza (yes), Bunderson (yes). Motion carried.

Station 18 Discussion: Funding and Operations – Boise Fire Chief Mark Niemeyer, Assistant Chief Romeo Gervais and Division Chief Aaron Hummel

Chief Gervais began the discussion by reviewing the Change Order request for the new Engine 18. The changes would enable the engine to become a “rescue engine” as it will be able to carry additional rescue equipment not usually stocked on an engine. Commissioner Ramey asked if the engine becomes a specialty engine would it spend a lot of time responding outside of the NACFR District/Station 18 response area. Chief Niemeyer stated that the primary response will be in the Station 18/Station 16 corridor.

There was discussion regarding Pierce and their ability to perform regarding engine builds, cost containment, etc...

Chief Niemeyer stated that the long-term goal for Station 18 is to have 5-6 people running out of Station 18. A cost share between Boise Fire and NACFR is part of the plan to staff the station.

Chief Gervais reviewed the plan to provide staffing resources over the next 3-4 years. Boise Fire will run 2 academies per year for the next 5 years. 2024 will have 2 academies in order to fill current vacancies. Station 13 is slated to be staffed and responding in March of 2025. Station 18 is scheduled to be staffed in FY26. In FY2025 BFD is looking at lateral hires and a lateral hire academy which could enable BFD to staff stations more quickly.

Chief Gervais stated that when Station 18 is once again vacant it would be a good time to remodel for gender neutral bathrooms and bedrooms. There was discussion that Station 18 already has accommodation on the second floor for gender neutral bathrooms as there is a large communal bathroom and large dorm area on the West side of the building and a separate smaller bathroom and 2 bedrooms on the East side of the building. There are additional bathrooms on the 1st floor in the foyer (2) and a toilet and sink in the supply/janitor room off of the engine bay.

CAP fees and the SAFR grant were, again, briefly discussed. Following the election on November 7, 2023, there will be more discussion regarding these two items and fiscal planning.

Commissioner Bunderson asked Chief Gervais if Boise Fire would still make the changes to the Engine to make it a “Rescue Engine” if the current Boise Plan for Station 18 did not come to fruition. Chief Gervais stated that the current requested change orders would give the option to improve capabilities in the future. The changes do not sacrifice engine capabilities but do provide for the rescue capabilities in the future.

*** Consideration to Approve “Rescue Pumper” Change Orders requested by Boise Fire for proposed Station 18 Engine.**

Commissioner Souza made motion to approve the change orders requested by Boise Fire for the proposed Station 18 Engine. Commissioner Bunderson second. Discussion: The change orders will add an additional cost of \$11,161 to the engine contract. No further discussion. Roll Call Vote: Ramey (yes), Souza (yes), Bunderson (yes). Motion carried.

Eagle Fire Department Report – Deputy Chief James Vincent

Chief Vincent was called out of the meeting before the above agenda items were accomplished. Therefore, no report was given.

New Business: None

*** Adjourn: 5:01**

Commissioner Souza made motion to adjourn. Commissioner Bunderson second. No discussion. Roll Call Vote: Ramey (yes), Souza (yes), Bunderson (yes). Motion carried.

Jeff Ramey, Commissioner/Chairman

Date: October 9, 2023

*** Action Item**