

DATE

Tuesday

December

20th, 2016

UNIFIED FIRE SERVICE AREA

Meeting ~ MINUTES~

December 20, 2016

8:30 a.m.

PRESENT: SHELDON STEWART
 CHRISTOPHER PENGRA
 CORALEE MOSER
 JOANN SEGhini
 LARRY JOHNSON
 BEN MCADAMS

ABSENT: RICHARD SNELGROVE
SAM GRANATO

ALSO PRESENT: Brian Anderton, Battalion Chief McBride, Assistant Chief Sandstrom, Assistant Chief Andrus, Captain Simons, Captain Robertson, Captain Burningham, Arriann Woolf, Jeff Silvestrini, Brian Roberts, Battalion Chief Prokopis, Assistant Chief Slack, Tony Hill, Interim Fire Chief Watson, Micayla Dinkel

Chair Joann Seghini presided

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Called to Order

Mayor Seghini called the meeting to order at approximately 9:53am.

Public Comment

Mayor Seghini asked for public comment and there was none.

Minutes

Mayor Seghini tabled the October 18, 2016 minutes and asked that they be added to the January meeting for final approval.

Approval of the UFSA Meeting Schedule

Mayor Pengra made a motion to approve the 2017 UFSA Meeting Schedule as submitted. Councilmember Stewart seconded the motion and all voted in favor.

Approval of the UFSA Chair and Vice-Chair of UFSA

Councilmember Stewart made a motion to appoint Councilmember Coralee Moser from Herriman City as the Chair of the UFSA Board as well as Mayor Johnson from Taylorsville to serve as the Vice-Chair. Mayor Pengra seconded the motion and all voted in favor.

Public Hearing-Proposed Judgement Levy

Councilmember Moser made a motion to open the public hearing to receive and consider comments on the proposed judgement levy. Mayor Pengra seconded the motion and all voted in favor.

CLO Karl Hendrickson reminded the UFSA Board that these public hearings were noticed and advertised for 8:30am and it is now 10:00am. For members of the public that had short schedules, it would have disenfranchised them to stay. Karl reminded the Board to be mindful of the public hearings and when they are posted. Karl stated that there was no one from the public to make comments in this meeting, but advised that the Board be mindful of the time.

Tony highlighted that a copy of the ad was included in the packet. UFSA has received their eligible judgements from the County Auditor for the period of March 1, 2016-September 15, 2016 and the total is \$58,364. The impact on the average house will be \$0.37 per year and \$0.69 per year on a business. In June, UFSA will need to levy these judgements when UFSA adopts the actual tax rates in June of 2017.

Mayor Seghini asked for any public comments on the judgement levy. Seeing no comments, Mayor Pengra made a motion to close the public hearing. Councilmember Moser seconded the motion and all voted in favor.

Councilmember Moser made a motion to approve Resolution 12-2016A, approving and imposing an ad valorem tax rate for payment of eligible judgements on taxable property entered between March 1, 2016 and September 15, 2016. Mayor Pengra seconded the motion and all voted in favor.

Public Hearing-Final Budget for FY2017

Mayor Pengra made a motion to open the public hearing to receive and consider comments on the final budget for fiscal year 2017. Councilmember Stewart seconded the motion and all voted in favor.

Tony informed the Board that this budget was identical to the tentative budget with the exception of the UFA Admin fee. During the November UFSA meeting, the Board had directed Tony to change the fee to \$400,000. Tony stated that is included in this budget. Mayor Seghini asked for any public comments. Seeing none, Mayor Pengra made a motion to close the public hearing. Councilmember Moser seconded the motion and all voted in favor.

Mayor Pengra made a motion to approve resolution 12-2016B, adopting the final budget for fiscal year 2017. Councilmember Stewart seconded the motion and all voted in favor.

Resolution 12-2016C

Mayor Seghini stated that this resolution will be moved to a future agenda. Karl Hendrickson asked the Board for clarification to help draft this resolution. Karl stated what the statue requires a service area to do, is to appoint their officers and establish their compensation. The concept of a service agreement with UFA has been somewhat problematic in the sense that UFSA appoints the officers but then there is a desire the UFA set the compensation for the officers. Karl informed the Board that UFSA is meeting half of the statue not the full requirements. Brian Roberts and Karl Hendrickson are still working on this agreement but it has proved to be problematic. Karl informed the Board that they could appoint one board member as the Clerk and one board member as the Treasurer. After that, Karl could create a service agreement between UFA and UFSA contracting the services of their Chief Financial Officer and Clerk. These positions could function under the Treasurer and Clerk board members. This would meet both requirements for the statue and Karl asked if the Board would be interested in this approach. Councilmember Moser stated that this could be a good idea but that it would be required more work. Karl stated that it could require more work, but that the bulk of the work would still be completed by UFA's Financial Officer and Clerk. Mayor Pengra stated that he was concerned with the time commitment it would require from the Board Members as well as how fast members of the board

change. Mayor Pengra stated that he would prefer that both attorneys keep looking at other options. Councilmember Stewart asked why it is problematic if UFSA wants to contract with a UFA employee to fulfill a position for the UFSA. Karl stated that contracting with another agency is permitted but the difficulty arises then with setting the compensation. Councilmember Stewart stated that he doesn't see it a problem if UFA does set the compensation. Mayor Pengra asked what positions UFSA is asking UFA to fill. Karl stated that under the MOU, UFSA uses several admin support staff as well as the four executive positions of Administrator, CLO, Treasurer and Clerk that are required by the statute. Karl stated that it has been difficult to wordsmith this in a way that works for both UFA and UFSA. Councilmember Moser stated that perhaps it is just a conflict and it may be impossible to make it work for both organizations. Karl stated that it very likely and that the UFSA may have to appoint officers that are not employed by UFA. Councilmember Moser stated that as a UFA Board Member she wants to be able to set the salaries of UFA employees as well as oversee their allocation of time. As a UFSA Board Member, she sees that UFSA needs to follow the state statute and be able to hire and fire their officers. Councilmember Moser stated that it just might not be compatible. For UFSA, it is simply following a state statute but for UFA it is a matter of permitting their employees to work for UFSA. Councilmember Moser stated that the Board could keep pressing the issue with UFA or move on and fulfill the officers without using UFA employees.

Mayor McAdams stated that the Board could look at working with the Municipal Service District for an Administrator, Treasurer and/or Clerk. Councilmember Moser stated that it would create a complete separation from UFA and might be what has to happen. Tony Hill reminded the Board that there are 12 UFA employees that perform duties for UFSA in addition to the four officers that need to be appointed per the statute. If UFSA is looking to separate from UFA and appointing UFA employees, the Board would need to consider these positions and functions as well and will need to hire someone to do that work as well.

Councilmember Moser stated that Chief Petersen would like to be involved in the process of the UFSA Administrator before it is posted as it will be important to clearly define duties.

Other Business

Karl stated that there is an impact study fee that still has not been completed and needs to be. Councilmember Moser asked Karl Hendrickson to work with the consultant who did the impact fee study to be prepared to update the UFSA Board Members in the January meeting. Councilmember Moser asked Micayla to add this to the January agenda.

Closed Session

The Board did see a need to close the meeting.

Motion to Adjourn

Mayor Pengra made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Moser seconded this meeting and all voted in favor.