



## UNIFIED FIRE AUTHORITY BOARD MINUTES

November 15, 2022, 7:30 a.m.

Electronically Via ZOOM Webinar/UFA Headquarters – 3380 South 900 West SLC, UT 84119

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1. Call to Order  
Quorum was obtained  
Chair Dahle called the meeting to order at 7:33 a.m.
2. Public Comment  
None  
Public comment was made available live and with a posted email address
3. Approval of Minutes  
Council Member Hull moved to approve the minutes from the October 18, 2022, UFA Board Meeting as submitted  
Mayor Knopp seconded the motion  
All voted in favor, none opposed
4. Consent Agenda
  - Review of October Disbursements
    - No discussion

Council Member Stewart moved to approve the October disbursements as submitted  
Mayor Weichers seconded the motion  
All voted in favor, none opposed
5. Committee Updates
  - Benefits & Compensation Committee
    - No meeting held
  - Governance Committee
    - No meeting held
  - Finance Committee
    - Next meeting 11/30/22
    - For discussion will be the Capital Fund and the SLCo canyon fee contribution
6. Public Hearing to Receive and Consider Comments on Proposed Amendments to the 22/23 Fiscal Year Budget
  - CFO Hill reviewed the first round of amendments for FY22/23
  - General Fund
    - ECC Rent increase
    - EMS State grant
    - Utah Bomb Squad Task Force training grant
    - SHSP reallocated funds from the state pass-through grant
  - Wildland Enterprise Fund designations
  - Emergency Management – Special Revenue Fund

- True-up SLCo EM funding to SLCo 2023 budget
- SHSP reallocated funds from the state pass-through grant
- 2022 SHSP grant award
- Appropriated fund balance
- Fire Capital Replacement Fund
  - Appropriation of fund balance for FY22 projects not completed

Council Member Hull moved to open the Public Hearing to receive and consider comments on proposed amendments to the 22/23 Fiscal Year Budget

Mayor Overson seconded the motion

Roll call vote taken

Bailey	Y	Overson	Y
Bourke	Y	Perry	Y
Butterfield	Y	Silvestrini	-
Dahle	Y	Stevenson	Y
Harris	Y	Stewart	Y
Henderson	Y	Theodore	-
Hull	Y	Weichers	Y
Kanter	Y	Westmoreland	-
Knopp	Y		

No public comments

Mayor Knopp moved to close the Public Hearing to receive and consider comments on proposed amendments to the 22/23 Fiscal Year Budget

Council Member Stewart seconded the motion

Roll call vote taken

Bailey	Y	Overson	Y
Bourke	Y	Perry	Y
Butterfield	Y	Silvestrini	-
Dahle	Y	Stevenson	Y
Harris	Y	Stewart	Y
Henderson	Y	Theodore	Y
Hull	Y	Weichers	Y
Kanter	Y	Westmoreland	-
Knopp	Y		

7. Consider Resolution 11-2022A Approving Budget Amendments to the 22/23 Fiscal Year Budget

Council Member Hull moved to adopt Resolution 11-2022A approving budget amendments for the 22/23 Fiscal Year Budget

Mayor Weichers seconded the motion

Roll call vote taken

Bailey	Y	Overson	Y
Bourke	Y	Perry	Y
Butterfield	Y	Silvestrini	-
Dahle	Y	Stevenson	Y
Harris	Y	Stewart	Y
Henderson	Y	Theodore	Y
Hull	Y	Weichers	Y
Kanter	Y	Westmoreland	-
Knopp	Y		

## 8. Fire Chief Report

- Canyon Contribution
  - Chief Burchett explained to the Board the intent of SLCo to gradually reduce the canyon contribution
  - The canyons are low revenue, but the demand for service is high
  - Chief Burchett explained that he is not choosing sides, but rather advocating services provided in the canyons
  - 98% of the ambulance transports were for visitors
  - Deputy Mayor Kanter explained that the Mayors proposal is the beginning of the process
    - SLCo is working to find a fair and equitable solution for all
    - Due diligence must be done and time to research alternative revenue sources must be given
  - Council Member Stewart mentioned that with the increased use in Yellow Fork and Butterfield canyons, they should also be included in the discussion
  - Mayor Dahle asked that the SLCo Council reconsider their plan and retaining status quo for the coming year with the understanding that work will continue to find common ground
    - Stabilize the funding piece and determine the parties who will be included in the discussion
  - Deputy Mayor Kanter explained that this request is the decision of the council, not the Mayor
    - The 6 months was proposed at the last work session and the council decided the 6 months is ample time to come to a decision
  - Chief Burchett stated that the focus is on Brighton, but Parleys, Butterfield, Yellow Fork, Emigration, etc. are all widely used by both residents and visitors and should be included in the conversation for funding
    - There are increasing calls for service in the canyons, but there is no revenue to support the services
  - Mayor Knopp stated that this consideration is mainly in response to Brighton having their own Planning & Zoning
    - This feels punitive, but whatever it takes to keep Brighton residents and visitors safe, Brighton will do
    - Brighton is part of UFSA and members can not be charged differently from one another
  - Mayor Dahle stressed that no one is interested in compromising safety for anyone in the canyons
    - This is not the place for a debate, a smaller group needs to find a solution that works for all and doesn't compromise safety
  - Deputy Mayor Kanter responded that the right place to discuss this is the stakeholders meeting
    - This has been an ongoing discussion over the past 1.5 years and that there is an absolute connection between land use and cost
    - The municipality making those decisions should cover the costs

- Any suggestion to punitive action is inappropriate, SLCo is a regional government and has a responsibility to consider the big picture and ask the questions
  - Council Member Theodore asked if SLCo had a formula to determine equity for these municipalities and if they have a solution in mind for funding
  - Mayor Dahle stated once again that this is SLCo business and not for the UFA Board
  - Mayor Dahle once again requested that SLCo Council reconsider the feathering and give stakeholders more time to meet and find a solution
- Standards of Cover (SOC) Update
  - Chief Burchett has almost completed all the SOC meetings
  - The document should be ready for the UFA Board to adopt in January
  - Chief Burchett reminded the Board that he is working on ideas to improve turnout time
    - This is a no cost goal
    - VECC call processing is another focus for improvement
  - Data collection is another area that needs attention
    - With the new and various ways data is collected and is improving, utilizing and interpreting this information has become vital
  - The SOC and the Strategic Plan will be living documents, tied together on 3-year cycles for review
- 100-Day Plan Closeout
  - Meeting with the councils has been a pleasure and Chief Burchett is wrapping up his 100-day plan, 220-days later
  - Chief Burchett stated that he has collected notes to better determine a 1 to 5-year focus
    - Work to begin tackling some of the easier items has already begun
  - The larger items are to improve recruitment efforts, host a Captain Academy development program, hire and redefine the Health & Safety Officer position, and hire a Data Analyst, among other things

9. Closed Session

None

10. Adjournment

Council Member Stewart moved to adjourn the November 15, 2022 meeting

Council Member Hull seconded the motion

All voted in favor, none opposed

**BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:**

Council Member Kathleen Bailey

Council Member Chrystal Butterfield

Council Member Catherine Harris

Mayor Robert Dahle

Council Member Trish Hull

Mayor Marcus Stevenson

Mayor Dan Knopp

Mayor Kristie Overson

Council Member Jared Henderson

Mayor Mike Weichers

Council Member Allan Perry

Deputy Mayor Catherine Kanter

Council Member Sheldon Stewart

Mayor Roger Bourke

Council Member Dea Theodore

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Mayor Jeff Silvestrini  
Mayor Tom Westmoreland

**STAFF IN ATTENDANCE:**

Chief Dominic Burchett  
CFO Tony Hill

CLO Brian Roberts  
Cynthia Young, Clerk

**OTHER ATTENDEES:**

AC Higgs  
AC Pilgrim  
AC Robinson  
Amanda Lawrence  
Ashley Spatafore  
Battalion 13  
Bill Brass  
Brad Larson  
Brandon Dodge  
Calle Ellingson  
Courtney Samuel  
DA Anderson  
Dave Spatafore  
Debbie Cigarroa  
Dustin Dern  
Embret Fossum  
Eric Holmes  
Erica Langenfass  
Jared Wayman  
Jay Torgersen  
Jill Tho  
Kate Turnbaugh  
Kelly Bird  
Kimberly Ruesch  
Kiyoshi Young  
Krystal Griffin  
Kyle Maurer, Herriman City  
Lana Burningham  
Mike Greensides  
Nile Easton  
Nyla Benedict  
Patrick Costin  
Rob Ayres  
Ryan Love  
Ryan Love  
Shelli Fowlks  
Val Greensides  
Wade Russell

