



UNIFIED FIRE AUTHORITY BOARD MINUTES

May 15, 2018 7:30 a.m.

Emergency Operations Center – 3380 South 900 West SLC, UT 84119

Notice: Some Board members may participate by electronic means.

1. Call to Order
Quorum was obtained. Chair Dahle called the meeting to order at 7:34 a.m.
2. Public Comment
None
3. Approval of Minutes
Councilmember Stewart moved to approve the minutes from the April 17, 2018 UFA Board Meeting as submitted.
Councilmember Perry seconded
All in favor
4. Committee Updates
 - Benefits and Compensation Committee
 - None
 - Governance Committee
 - None
 - Finance Committee – Sheldon Stewart
 - Recap from budget meeting held on May 1, 2018
 - Have completed a complete review of the budget and have a recommendation
 - Recommended up to #3; full COLA Merit as well as consideration for Tier II employees
 - Overall 4.69% effective across all members
 - Not recommending anything additional
 - The Finance Committee took this opportunity to strike with Tier II
 - CFO Hill stated that the 2.1 COLA and .4 market is from the member fees and the Tier II contribution is from the fund balance
 - Board Policy Committee
 - None

5. County Representation Discussion – Mayor Silvestrini
- Has made considerable efforts to contact Councilmembers Jensen and Bradshaw with no success
 - Still feels that the Board owes the county the courtesy of speaking with them about this decision
 - Councilmember Snelgrove will inquire today
 - Mayor Silvestrini will attend the SLCo Council Meeting this afternoon in order to approach the board and notify them of the UFA Board’s intent

6. Consent Agenda – CFO Hill
- Review of April Disbursements

Mayor Silvestrini moved to approve consent agenda items as submitted
Mayor Hale seconded
All in favor

Discussion and Approval of FY 2018-2019 Tentative Budget – CFO Hill

- This is the opportunity for the Board to formally adopt the tentative budget
- Councilmember Stewart commends the realistic Capital Replacement Rotation Plan
- Mayor Dahle complemented staff on thorough work
- Chief Petersen
 - Appreciates all the work and involvement the Board members provided to prepare for the budget
 - Proud of all Division heads who took ownership and made the hard decisions regarding their budget

Mayor Silvestrini moved to approve the FY 2018-2019 Tentative Budget
Councilmember Stewart seconded
All in favor

8. Consider The Date of June 19, 2018 For A Public Hearing To Receive And Consider Comments On:
- CFO Hill
- Proposed amendments to the 2017-2018 Fiscal Year Budget
 - Final Budget for the 2018-2019 Fiscal Year
 - The amendments will be presented and the Board will officially adopt the budget at this time
 - Contact CFO Hill with any questions/clarifications prior to this hearing

Councilmember Stewart moved to set the date of June 19, 2018 for a Public Hearing to receive and consider comments for Proposed Amendments to the 2017-2018 Fiscal Year Budget and the Final Budget for the 2018-2019 Fiscal Year
Mayor Peterson seconded
All in favor

9. Audit Update: Attorney General Investigation – CLO Roberts
- CLO Roberts has inquired as to the status of the investigation
 - AG’s office stated that it is still active and a resolution should be forthcoming
 - Hoping to have more information at the June 19, 2018 UFA Board Meeting (closed session)

10. Fire Chief Report

- Legislative Committee Update
 - The UFA legislative focus:
 - The safety of the community relative to the UFA mission
 - The safety, wellness and fair equitable treatment of UFA personnel
 - Allow the organization to effectively perform the job with quality, efficiency and in a transparent manner
 - Ensure the UFA is able to recruit and retain quality people
 - Key responsibilities of the UFA lobbyist in representing UFA interests:
 - Assist with developing strategy, timing and focus of the UFA legislative efforts
 - Build relationships with state and federal politicians, their staff and others in the legislative process
 - Monitor and draft legislation
 - Work with legislators to advance and protect the interests of the UFA
 - Finalizing an RFQ for a lobbyist
 - There are no issues currently, we need a lobbyist to watch in the interim
 - Would like to get a general consensus from the Board on this focus and key piece, even though the Legislative Committee will drive the process
 - The Board will be aware of any and all legislative steps we take
 - There is some confusion with UFA having two lobbyists
 - We don't have the complexity in the legislature to warrant two voices
 - A singular person would provide clarity
 - Looking for someone to build and generate relationships so that UFA is engaged in issues early-on
 - The UFA wants a connector as well as a fighter, someone who gets us into where we need to be within the legislature in order to move forward
 - 1-year contract with the yearly option of renewal, up to 5-years
 - The Legislative Committee will review the applications and make a recommendation
 - This is the same cost to the UFA, the UFSA will realize a savings of ~\$30,000

 - Mayor Silvestrini
 - The UASD has a lobbyist who is perfectly capable with any issues on behalf of UFSA District
 - This saves costs by utilizing their Special Districts Membership
 - Councilmember Snelgrove
 - There is no more effective lobbyist than an elected official
 - Please consider and utilize this resource

- Metro Chief's Conference
 - Attendees were departments our size and larger
 - Appreciated the opportunity to attend this conference
 - Take-Away:
 - Narcan findings; being administered increasingly more often prior to first responder arrival
 - Preventive cancer; ice machines out of bays, don/doff turnout procedure after a fire
 - Question of whether to send HazMat to all working fires for decon

- Mental Health; several departments have implemented a resiliency and mental health approach in recruit camp so recruits can see what they can expect
 - Families of first responders are also being educated on identifying symptoms of PTSD
- Discussion on the acceptance of Fire Departments as EMS providers
 - This acceptance by EMS is a key piece to being fully integrated in the medical community
- SAFER 2018 Grant:
 - Federal funding for conversion of part-time Firefighters to full-time
 - We will apply for this grant to aid our transition to this model
- USAR/Special Ops and Special Enforcement Division Chief's
 - Would like to initiate the move toward filling the USAR Program Lead vacancy
 - Would like the approval to convert the two Captain positions to Division Chief positions

11. Closed Session

Councilmember Stewart moved to temporarily recess the meeting to convene in a closed session to discuss matters as provided by Utah Code Annotated §52-4-205

Councilmember Bush seconded

All voted in favor:

Mayor Sondak

Mayor Overson

Councilmember Stewart

Councilmember Perry

Mayor Dahle

Mayor Silvestrini

Mayor Peterson

Mayor Hale

Councilmember Bowen

Councilmember Bush

Mayor Westmoreland

SLCo Surveyor Demman

Councilmember Snelgrove

Councilmember Stewart moved to re-open the meeting to the public

Mayor Silvestrini seconded

All in favor

12. Adjournment

Councilmember Stewart moved to adjourn meeting

Mayor Peterson seconded

All in favor

BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Mayor Jeff Silvestrini

Mayor Kristie Overson

Mayor Tom Westmoreland

Mayor Mike Peterson

Councilmember Gary Bowen

Mayor Robert Dahle

Councilmember Richard Snelgrove

Councilmember Allan Perry

Councilmember Sheldon Stewart

Mayor Harris Sondak

Mayor Robert Hale

Councilmember Kelly Bush

SLCo Surveyor Reid Demman

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Councilmember Eric Ferguson
Councilmember Nicole Martin
Councilmember Kathleen Bailey

OTHER ATTENDEES:

AC Mike Watson
AC Rand Andrus
AC Stephen Higgs
Arriann Woolf
BC Brad Larson
BC Clint Mecham
BC Curtis Day
BC Dustin Dern
BC Mike White
BC Riley Pilgrim
BC Steve Prokopis

BC Wade Watkins
Beth Todd-VECC
Brett Wood, Herriman City
Brian Case
CFO Tony Hill
Chief Petersen
CLO Brian Roberts
Cynthia Young
Darren Park
Jarín Blackham
John Guldner

Kate Turnbaugh
Lana Burningham
Matt McFarland
Michelle Roper
Nile Easton
Rachel Anderson
Rod Sellers
Steve Ball
Talsan Schulzke
Zach Robinson