# SOUTH DAVIS METRO FIRE SERVICE AREA BOARD MEETING March 16, 2020

The South Davis Metro Fire Service Area Board of Trustees held a meeting on March 16th, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. at the South Davis Metro Fire Service Area Station #81, 255 S. 100 W., Centerville, Utah.

**CONDUCTING:** Commissioner Randy Lewis

## **BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Randy Lewis Rick Earnshaw Ken Romney – via telephone Bob Stevenson Clark Wilkinson

# **BOARD MEMBERS EXCUSED:**

Leonard Arave Jeff Bassett, Fire Chief

#### **STAFF PRESENT:**

Dane Stone, Deputy Chief Dave Powers, Deputy Chief Jessica Hardy, Accountant Nikki Dandurand, Secretary

Commissioner Lewis stated that this was a regularly scheduled meeting and a notice of time, place, and agenda had been sent to the newspaper and to each member of the Board prior to the meeting.

Deputy Chief Stone presented a Citizen Life Saving Award to Mr. Davidson for his life saving actions on January 23, 2020.

# **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR FEBRUARY 2020**

Commissioner Lewis presented the minutes for the February 2020 meeting. Commissioner Stevenson moved to approve the minutes as written with Commissioner Earnshaw seconding the motion. All voted in favor.

## APPROVAL OF THE FEBRUARY 2020 FINANCIAL REPORTS-JESSICA HARDY

Ms. Hardy presented the financial report. It was stated that the property tax seemed lower, but some cities have not submitted them yet. Commissioner Earnshaw moved to approve the financial reports as presented with Commissioner Stevenson seconding the motion. All voted in favor.

# **APPROVAL OF THE FEBRUARY 2020 DISBURSEMENTS- JESSICA HARDY**

Ms. Hardy reviewed some of the items including paying Bountiful City for the Gun Range Fire.

Commissioner Wilkinson arrived.

Commissioner Earnshaw asked if any other departments submitted paperwork for reimbursement. No, per Chief Stone. Commissioner Lewis asked if Commissioner Wilkinson could have submitted for reimbursement. Chief Stone replied that only the city where the fire originated can apply. Commissioner Earnshaw moved to approve the disbursements as presented with Commissioner Stevenson seconding

the motion. All voted in favor.

# CONSIDERATION OF POST-INCIDENT ANALYSIS & FIREFIGHTER MENTAL WELLNESS POLICIES – DEPUTY CHIEF STONE

Deputy Chief Stone expressed his concerns about the staff getting enough help and counseling when needed. Commissioner Stevenson stated that no one really wants to bear their hearts to a clergy member, chiefs, etc. Deputy Chief Powers stated that having peer support is very effective, along with the union support and other methods. The commissioners also discussed ways the legislature is helping with financial support. Deputy Chief Powers added that the expectations of the job put excessive stress on personnel. Commissioner Earnshaw stated that it all goes back to an incident that the person experienced in a stressful situation. Stress is the root problem. Commissioner Stevenson moved to approve the policies as presented with Commissioner Earnshaw seconding the motion. All voted in favor.

## **CONSIDERATION OF C-19 RESPONSE – DEPUTY CHIEF STONE**

Chief Stone stated that we are trying to stay ahead of this pandemic, and we are having daily updates to the crews. Many companies have already closed to the public, including the Recreation Center. Our administration office will be closing soon as well. Chief Stone is talking with local health care centers and hospitals for updates and status reports. Commissioner Lewis stated that this is all so new still, but we need to keep it simple. Follow what our leaders are saying, not the media. We don't need to create another level of government. Chief Stone concluded that this is a very dynamic situation.

## CONSIDERATION OF ELECTRONIC MEETING RESOLUTION 2020-01 - TODD GODFREY

The Resolution was presented and voted on with a roll call vote. All Commissioners voted aye. The Resolution was passed with a 5-0 vote.

# FIRE CHIEF REPORT – DEPUTY CHIEF STONE

No report made.

#### **ADJOURNMENT:**

Commissioner	Stevenson	made	a motion	to	adjourn	the	Board	meeting,	with	Commissioner	Romney
seconding. All	voted in fav	or.									

Randy Lewis, Chair	Nicole Dandurand, Clerk