## Riverside Fire Authority

## Governance Board Meeting April 24, 2024 Minutes

#### In attendance:

Board Members - Buddy Lowrey, Mike Tomasheck, Joe Dolezal, Rick Mack, Mike Rossow

Administration - Chief Anderson, Chief Olson, Stephanie Slorey, Misty Henning, Lt. Jason Shepherd

Visitors – Diane Kytta, Rick LeBoeuf, Brian Meyers

Chair Lowrey called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Motion was made, seconded, and passed to approve the agenda.

Public Input - None

Motion was made, seconded, and passed to approve the consent agenda as presented.

The Following voucher/warrants/electronic payments were approved for payment: April 24, 2024, Ck#7575-7599 \$72,616.20

#### **Unfinished Business**

#### Levy Discussion

Chief Anderson continued conversation regarding the proposed levy lid lift. Discussion took place on the rate to ask for and the date of the election. It was determined that the ask to the citizens would be to raise the current general fund levy from \$1.04 to \$1.35. The levy lid lift would be placed on the August 2024 ballot. Discussion followed.

#### Volunteer Recruitment / Retention Update

Laura Hanson, Volunteer Recruitment / Retention Coordinator, gave a monthly update on volunteer recruits, training and upcoming benchmarks for the volunteer program.

#### New Business

#### 2004 Dodge Ram Pickup

Chief Olson gave an update that he has checked with two auto shops for an estimate on the repair of the blown engine of the 2004 Dodge Ram pickup. He stated both shops indicated that they did not believe it would be worth the money to repair. After a discussion on whether to repair the pickup, it was decided that it would be worth the money to repair it. Chief Olson stated he would get with the low estimate vendor, Toads Automotive, to start the process.

#### 2024 Quarter 1 Budget (Position) Report

Misty Henning, Finance Officer, reviewed the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter position report with the board. There were no questions or concerns.

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#### For / Against Committee

Chief Anderson stated that the advertisement for anyone interested in being on the "For or Against Committee" will be placed on the RFA website. The deadline for submittals will be April 26, 2024. If there are no submittals, the county will place an advertisement on their website. If there are no submittals again, then there will be no "for or against" statements in the voting pamphlet. Commissioner Lowrey made a motion to nominate Chief Anderson, Commissioner Tomasheck and Board Secretary, Stephanie Slorey to be on the selection committee. Commissioner Mack seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

#### Resolution #24-02, Multi-year Levy Lid Lift

Chief Anderson reviewed draft Resolution #24-02 for a multi-year levy lid lift, explanatory statement and ballot language provided by RFA counsel, Eric Quinn. Discussion followed. Commissioner Dolezal made a motion<sup>2</sup> to approve Resolution #24-02 Multi-Year Levy Lid Lift, explanatory statement and ballot language. Commissioner Tomasheck seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Good of the Order

#### Adjourned 7:03 p.m.

Local Board Action Motions:

- Motion to nominate Chief Anderson, Commissioner Tomasheck and Stephanie Slorey to For/Against selection committee.
- 2. Motion to approve Resolution #24-02 Multi-Year Levy Lid Lift, explanatory statement and ballot language.

Minutes submitted by:

Board Secretary