

**RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS FOR THE
COLORADO RIVER FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES
BURNING MOUNTAINS FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS
PENSION FUND 7247-5 AND RIFLE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT VOLUNTEER
FIREFIGHTERS PENSION FUND 7306-5
FEBRUARY 14, 2023
STATION 64, 775 CASTLE VALLEY BLVD., NEW CASTLE, CO 81647**

At 6:00 pm, Chairperson Lambert called to order the regularly scheduled meetings of the Board of Trustees for the Burning Mountains Fire Protection District Volunteer Firefighters Pension Fund 7247-5 and the Rifle Fire Protection District Volunteer Firefighters Pension Fund 7306-5. The Pledge of Allegiance was said, and a moment of silence was given.

ROLL CALL:

Fund 7247-5 Trustees Present:

Jerry Seifert
Sean Mello
Alan Lambert
Matt Weisbrod
Levy Burris
Dick Miller

Fund 7247-5 Trustees Absent:

Addy Marantino (Excused)

Fund 7306-5 Trustees Present:

Kyle Costanzo (Via Phone)
John Savage
Alan Lambert
Matt Weisbrod
Levy Burris
Dick Miller

Fund 7306-5 Trustees Absent:

Addy Marantino (Excused)

Others Present:

Leif Sackett, Fire Chief
Zach Pigati, Operations/Wildland Division Chief
Scott Van Slyke, EMS/Training Division Chief
Orrin Moon, Prevention Division Chief

John Gredig, IT Director
PJ Tillman, Administrative Director
Dino Ross, Legal Counsel to the District

ADDITIONS/DELETIONS/CHANGES TO THE AGENDA:

None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Fund 7247-5 (BMFPD) Approval of November 8, 2022, Meeting Minutes

Trustee Seifert made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 8, 2022 meeting. Trustee Miller seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Fund 7306-5 (RFPD) Approval of November 8, 2022, Meeting Minutes

Trustee Savage made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 8, 2022 meeting. Trustee Burris seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

a. Fire Chief/Administration: Certify 2022 Volunteer Hours – Christopher Davidson, Kenneth McCracken

Fire Chief Sackett stated there were two active volunteers participating in the Rifle Fire Protection District Fund 7306-5 who met the minimum criteria of 288 annual service hours, including the required 36 hours of training.

Director Miller made a motion to certify the minimum annual volunteer service and training hour requirements under the Rifle Fire Protection District Plan 7306-5 for Christopher Davidson and Kenneth McCracken. Trustee Savage seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

b. Fire Chief/Administration: Notification of Volunteer Fire Retiree and Vested Pension Eligibility – Kenneth McCracken

Fire Chief Sackett stated that under the Rifle Fire Protection District Fund 7306-5, Kenneth McCracken is now qualified to begin receiving his pension benefits. Fire Chief Sackett stated Chief Staff is asking for Board approval and signature to allow Kenneth McCracken to receive his vested retirement pension benefits.

Trustee Savage made the motion to sign and approve Kenneth McCracken's vested retirement pension benefits. Trustee Burris seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

i. Fire Chief/Administration: Pension Advisory Board – Notice of Election and Call for Nominations Fund 7306-5 (RFPD) Pension Advisory Board Trustee Costanzo Term Expiring May 2023 and Fund 7247-5 (BMFPD) Pension Advisory Board Trustee Mello Term Expiring May 2023

Fire Chief Sackett explained that, for each Pension Fund, there is one trustee position that is expiring in May 2023.

Administrative Director Tillman explained that the documents presented are informational and for the Boards' review. Administrative Director Tillman stated that the Self-Nomination and Acceptance forms for both Pension Funds have been mailed out.

Attorney Ross explained that pursuant to State law, a trustee is elected each year for each Pension Fund.

OLD BUSINESS:

Fire Chief Sackett stated Administrative Director Tillman has started the work for the Pension Funds' Actuarial Studies. Fire Chief Sackett stated that this concept was discussed by the Pension Boards in November 2022 for either a 3% or a 5% COLA increase. Fire Chief Sackett stated that Chief Staff was mistaken on the number of options for increasing pension benefits that can be included in the Actuarial Studies. Chief Staff has received clarification that the Pension Boards can include in the Actuarial Studies three options for increasing pension benefits: Plan A with a 3% COLA increase, Plan B with a 4% COLA increase, and Plan C with a 5% COLA increase. He stated that the results of the Actuarial Studies should be available at the November 2023 Pension Advisory Boards meeting.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS:

Trustee Weisbrod asked if a motion would need to be taken to amend the year on the Pension Advisory Board agenda for Action Item C.

Attorney Ross clarified that since the Agenda is an informational document, a motion is not necessary, given that the document representing the Notice of Election and Call for Nominations is correct.

Trustee Lambert thanked everyone for attending the meeting and he wished all a good night.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no other business to come before the Pension Boards, the meeting was adjourned at 6:12 pm.

APPROVAL:

The foregoing Minutes, which have been approved by the affirmative majority vote of the Boards of Trustees for RMFPD Fund 7306-5 and Burning Mountains Fund 7247-5, are a true and accurate record of the meeting held on the date stated above.

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