

Elburn & Countryside Fire Protection District
Board of Fire Commissioner's Special Meeting
08/07/19

Date: Wednesday, August 7, 2019 5:00 pm

Secretary S. Herra called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm with the following people in attendance.

S. Herra A. Hamilton J. Cluchey M. Hanson P. Hall

Commissioner S. Herra led the Board of Fire Commissioners in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comment:

- None

New Business:

1) Chairperson Pro-Tempore

a) Motion to approve Chairperson Pro-Tempore

- Chief Cluchey informed the Board of Fire Commissioners that Commissioner Kevin Murphy resigned as of August 5, 2019, noting that he has sold his home and will be moving out of state. A copy of his resignation letter has been placed on file.
- Commissioner S. Herra noted that he'd like Commissioner A. Hamilton to take the Chairperson position due to her experiences as an attorney. He feels she would be better qualified. A. Hamilton agreed to become the Chairman of the Board.

S. Herra made a motion to approve Commissioner Amanda Hamilton as the Chairperson Pro-Tempore. A. Hamilton seconded the motion. It was voted on with a roll call vote and approved.

2 Yay

0 Nay

0 Absent

2) Special Council

a) Motion to appoint Special Council

- Chief Cluchey informed the Board of Fire Commissioners that a personnel discipline issue requires special council to act as a hearing officer. Chief Cluchey recommended Attorney James Knippen from the law firm, Walsh, Knippen & Cetina, to act as special council.
- Chief Cluchey inquired with Commissioner Hamilton if she has a working relationship with Attorney James Knippen. She stated no, she does not.

S. Herra made a motion to appoint Attorney James H. Knippen as Special Council. A. Hamilton seconded the motion. It was voted on and approved.

- Commissioner A. Hamilton stated that she will contact Attorney James Knippen to check on his availability for the hearing. It was noted that the district has 30 days to open the hearing from the notification of the complaint of allegations of misconduct.

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- Chief Cluchey passed on Attorney James Knippen's contact information to Commissioner A. Hamilton.

S. Herra made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:08 pm. A. Hamilton seconded the motion. It was voted on and approved.

Respectfully Submitted,
Pamela C. Hall
Administrative Assistant
Elburn & Countryside Fire Protection District