

MINUTES OF THE NORTHERN LAKES FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS

SPECIAL MEETING

November 27th, 2023 at 10:00 a.m.
Fire Station 1, 125 W. Hayden Ave., Hayden, ID

I. Call To Order

COMMISSIONER HALPIN called meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Commissioners Amende, Duncan, Halpin, Pearce and Washko

OTHERS PRESENT: Fire Chief Riley, Asst. Chief Dill, Division Chief Anderson, and Secretary Knapp

II. Pledge of Allegiance

COMMISSIONER HALPIN led the Pledge.

III. New Business

A. Exemption Agreement with Lakes Highway District

An Exemption Agreement between the District and Lakes Highway District (LHD) was presented for review. FIRE CHIEF RILEY reported that this revised agreement was presented at last regular meeting for review. The board approved an Interagency Exemption Agreement with Lakes Highway District on November 9th that was then delivered to LHD for board action. He reported that their legal counsel reviewed the original agreement and made revisions which have been reviewed and approved by the District's bond counsel (Hawley Troxell).

FIRE CHIEF RILEY reported that the LHD board will be meeting today or tomorrow to adopt the revised Exemption Agreement which necessitated the special meeting today for the District's board to review/approve the revised agreement.

There was discussion on the revisions to the Exemption Agreement including adding language that the Agreement is for the District's and LHD's construction projects on Pope Road only and would not be in effect for any future projects. FIRE CHIEF RILEY also noted that LHD's legal counsel added more language citing Kootenai County Code that exempts public safety and public service facilities from public agencies' laws and regulations.

COMMISSIONER WASHKO clarified with FIRE CHIEF RILEY that the Exemption Agreement states the District will be held harmless for not enforcing state mandated guidelines.

COMMISSIONER PEARCE clarified with FIRE CHIEF RILEY that the Exemption Agreement as presented affects only the current construction with the parcels identified by their AIN in the agreement.

COMMISSIONER DUNCAN made a motion, seconded by **COMMISSIONER PEARCE** to approve the Exemption Agreement between Lakes Highway District and Northern Lakes Fire District, as presented.

COMMISSIONER HALPIN called for discussion. There was no discussion.

COMMISSIONER HALPIN called for the vote and all were in favor. Motion carried

B. Appointment of KCEMSS Joint Powers Board Member Representative

COMMISSIONER PEARCE made a motion, seconded by **COMMISSIONER DUNCAN** to appoint **COMMISSIONER WASHKO** as the KCEMSS JPB member representative.

There was discussion on **COMMISSIONER HALPIN's** retirement at the end of the year and having **COMMISSIONER WASHKO** attend the next JPB meeting in December as the member representative.

COMMISSIONER HALPIN called for further discussion. There was no further discussion.

COMMISSIONER HALPIN called for the vote and all were in favor. Motion carried

C. Appoint of Board Chairman

COMMISSIONER WASHKO made a motion, seconded by **COMMISSIONER AMENDE** to appoint **COMMISSIONER PEARCE** as the Board Chairman effective at the first meeting in January 2024.

COMMISSIONER HALPIN called for discussion. There was no discussion.

COMMISSIONER HALPIN called for the vote and all were in favor. Motion carried

IV. Adjournment

There being no further business to be brought before the board, the regular meeting was adjourned upon the motion of **COMMISSIONER PEARCE** and as seconded by **COMMISSIONER WASHKO** at 10:04 a.m.

COMMISSIONER HALPIN called for discussion. There was no discussion.

COMMISSIONER HALPIN called for the vote and all were in favor. Motion carried



DAVID P. HALPIN, Chairman



DENNIS L. AMENDE, Commissioner



DOUGLAS D. DUNCAN, Commissioner




MICHAEL R. PEARCE, Commissioner



JAMES C. WASHKO, Commissioner

I certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes of a duly called meeting of the governing body of the Northern Lakes Fire Protection District held in accordance with all applicable legal requirements, including Idaho Open Meeting Law, on the 27th day of November 2023.

ATTEST BY: 

Valerie Knapp, District Secretary

