

# BAINBRIDGE ISLAND FIRE DEPARTMENT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

## Meeting Minutes September 28, 2023

Chair Jay Rosenberg called the Board of Commissioners meeting to order at 4:30 PM. Present were Commissioners Scott Isenman, Tim Carey, Andrea Chymiy (remote), and Fritz von Ibsch; Fire Chief Jared Moravec; Deputy Chief Jeremy Mendola and Finance Manager Ed Kaufman.

### AGENDA ADDITIONS & DELETIONS

None

### PUBLIC COMMENT

None

### FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

- **Fire Code Update:** Chief Moravec informed the Board that adoption of the fire code has been postponed until the first half of 2024 at the earliest. This 2023 Workplan item will be continued to the 2024 Workplan.
- **Public Outreach Activities:** Chief Moravec noted two public outreach activities that the Department participated in. On September 23<sup>rd</sup> the Department participated in the annual Bainbridge Day of Preparedness, held at Commodore Gym. CRRC Janine Courtemanche staffed the BIFD booth and provided information to attendees. Commissioner Chymiy also attended the event. Chief Moravec also participated in the Bainbridge Film Festival on September 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> as a panel member discussing volunteer firefighting. This discussion occurred after screening of "Odd Hours, No Pay, Cool Hat", a film produced about volunteer firefighters.
- **IAFC Wildfire Fuel Reduction Grant:** Chief Moravec briefed the Board on a recent grant application to reduce fuel sources in public spaces. BIFD has partnered with the Bainbridge Metro Park District on this application. Parks has plans for fuel reduction activities around parking areas within the Parks' property.
- **Bainbridge Prepares Drone Team:** Chief Moravec briefed the Board on a recent demonstration of drone capabilities by the Bainbridge Prepares Tech Ops Team. BIFD officers attended the training which could benefit the Department in a number of ways including during wildfire, mass casualty and search and rescue events, among other uses. Chief Moravec will keep the Board apprised of any additional developments with the Tech Ops Team. The Drone Team is a deployable resource for BIFD.

### GOOD OF THE ORDER

Commissioner Carey noted his recent use of PulsePoint on an emergency response call. He was notified of a CPR call at a commercial occupancy on Winslow Way and he responded to offer assistance.

Commissioner Rosenberg noted that he will be out of town and miss the Department's Pancake Breakfast on October 14<sup>th</sup> for the first time in over 20 years.

### CONSENT AGENDA

(Voucher numbers 35264 through 35279 totaling \$101,115.11, Meeting Minutes 9/14/23)  
Commissioner Isenman moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Commissioner Carey seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

### BUSINESS AGENDA

#### 1. Resolution #06-2023: Medical Transport Service Fees

Chief Moravec presented Resolution #06-2023: Medical Transport Service Fees. This resolution adjusts the Department's transportation fee schedule for the first time since 2012. The proposed changes came as a result of a recently completed rate study. The new rates would be as follows:

- BLS: \$895
- ALS1: \$1,115
- ALS2: \$1,280

These rates are proposed to be effective January 1, 2024. No changes in the Department's balance billing practices would occur. This means that citizens will continue to not receive bills for transports. Commissioner von Ibsch moved to approve Resolution #06-2023 as presented. Commissioner Isenman seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

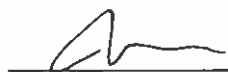
### EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 5:08 PM Chair Rosenberg called for an executive session to last for 30 minutes. The session was called for collective bargaining planning per RCW 42.30.140(4)(b). At 5:38 PM, the executive session was extended for 30 minutes. At 6:08 PM, the executive session was extended for an additional 20 minutes. At 6:28 PM, the executive session was extended by 10 minutes.

### ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:38 PM.

Submitted by:



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Jared Moravec, Board Secretary

Approved

October 12, 2023