



**VALLEY REGIONAL FIRE AUTHORITY
GOVERNANCE BOARD
1101 D Street NE
Auburn, Washington
February 8, 2022**

GOVERNANCE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

I. CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chair Nancy Backus called the Valley Regional Fire Authority (VRFA) Board of Governance Regular Meeting to order at 5:15 p.m.

A. Flag Salute

Vice Chair Backus led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.

B. Roll Call

Chair David Hill (Excused), Vice Chair Nancy Backus, Member Leanne Guier, Member Robyn Mulenga, Member Kerry Garberding, Member Troy Linnell, Member Lynda Osborn, Member David Storaasli, Member Larry Brown.

Staff members present included Chief Brad Thompson, Deputy Chief Dave Larberg, Deputy Chief Rick Olson, CFO Mark Horaski, Legal Counsel Eric Quinn, and Clerk of the Board Stefanie Harper.

C. Announcements, Proclamations, and Presentations

There were no announcements, proclamations or presentations.

D. Appointments

There were no appointments.

E. Agenda Modifications

There were no agenda modifications.

II. PUBLIC HEARINGS, CITIZEN INPUT, AND CORRESPONDENCE

A. Public Hearings

There was no public hearings.

B. Audience Participation

There was no audience participation.

C. Update from IAFF Local #1352

Vice President Jordan Gustafson addressed the Board with a quick update on the state of the local. He stated they are busy and doing okay.

D. Correspondence

Zoom questions submitted at January 11, 2022 Board Meeting were reviewed by the Board.

Chief Thompson answered the question regarding if the VRFA will be reconsidering their decision to allow accommodations. Chief Thompson stated the mandate is still in effect for the State of WA and the guidance from KC Public Health has not changed.

III. BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Finance Committee

Chair Osborn stated that the Finance Committee met this evening and recommends Claims and Payroll for approval by the Board.

IV. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

There were no Board Member reports.

V. STAFF REPORTS

A. Administration

Chief Thompson addressed the Board and provided the following update:

Chief welcomed the newest member, from City of Auburn, Robyn Mulenga.

He stated the 2020–2025 semiannual update to the Strategic Plan had been sent out to Board Members and provided a quick update on all 5 areas.

Member Mulenga had a question about the type of calls/volume we respond to that are showing the most increase. DC Larberg stated we do have that data and he would share with her. He also stated the type of calls/volume are shown in the weekly report.

VI. CONSENT ITEMS

All matters listed on the Consent Agenda are considered by the Governance Board to be routine and may be approved by one motion.

A. Minutes

- 1. Minutes* of the January 11, 2022 Regular Meeting.**

B. Vouchers

- 1. Claims**

Check numbers 210128 through 210228 in the amount of \$384,738.95, and electronic payments in the amount of \$2,047,983.65 totaling \$2,432,722.60, dated February 9, 2022.

2. Payroll

Payroll check numbers 99677 through 99678 and 201189 through 201200 in the amount of \$23,951.19, and electronic deposit transmissions in the amount of \$2,330,598.50 for a grand total of \$2,354,549.69 for the period covering January 1, 2022 to January 31, 2022.

There being no further discussion or questions Member Guier moved and Member Garberding seconded the approval of the Minutes, Claims and Payroll as presented above.

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V. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

VII. RESOLUTIONS & MOTIONS

A. FBC Appeals

CFO Horaski stated the FBC appeals board met and reviewed all appeals that were submitted. He stated 9 appeals were filed and 5 of those were from the same owner who holds multiple units in a single condominium complex. CFO Horaski the appeals board determined that FBC was indeed uniformly applied and thus recommended that each appeal be denied.

There being no further discussion or questions, Member Guier moved and Member Brown seconded the approval of the recommendation of the FBC Appeals Board.

VI. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION

There was no information and/or discussion.

VII. EXECUTIVE OR CLOSED SESSION

There was no executive or closed session.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business for the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 5:36 p.m.

Dated this 8th day of March, 2022



Nancy Bachus
Vice - Chair



Stefanie Harper
Clerk of the Board