

SPECIAL MEETING

Blue Hills Fire District Headquarter
1021 Blue Hills Avenue
Bloomfield, CT. 06002

Wednesday, July 26, 2017
6:30 p.m.

Minutes

PRESENT: Chair Ariel Marzouca Jaunai, Vice Chair Jacqueline Massey-Greene and Commissioner Tanya A. Farmer, Clerk Valda Thompson and Interim Director of Finance and Administration Errol Bartley.

CALL TO ORDER: The special meeting of Fire Commissioners held at the Blue Hills Fire District Headquarters was called to order at 6:30 p.m., by Chair Ariel Marzouca-Jaunai.

Chair Marzouca-Jaunai made a motion to offer retired Assistant Chief Roy Rickis a Service Award package of one week's pays for every year he has been with the Blue Hills Fire Department. He has been with the Blue Hills Fire Department for 46 years. Total award is \$55,200.00 (\$1,200.00 x46) to be paid over 11 years at a rate of \$5,000 per year, with final payment to be \$5,200.00. If Assistant Chief Roy Rickis dies before the final payment is made, the payment stops at date of death and or if the Blue Hills Fire District becomes bankrupt or runs out of funds, the Blue Hills Fire District will not be liable for any unpaid balances. The motion was seconded by Vice Chair Commissioner Greene. The motion carried.

Vice Chair Massey Green stated that, after reviewing the District's credit card statements with the Treasurer, she concluded that multiple statements and receipts were missing. Vice Chair Massey Greene made a motion to have the Bloomfield Police Department investigate. Chair Marzouca Jaunai seconded the motion. Commissioner Farmer abstained.

Chair Marzouca-Jaunai stated the minutes from April's meeting were deleted, District Clerk Valda Thompson stated, she deleted the minutes in error. Vice Chair, Massey Greene made a motion to hire a minute writer. The motion was seconded by Chair, Marzouca Jaunai. Commissioner Farmer opposed.

Chair Marzouca-Jaunai made a motion to table the Appeal Procedures. The motion was seconded by Vice Chair Massey-Greene. The motion carried.

There was discussion of fabrication of documents and unsigned vouchers that were distributed to the public.

Vice Chair Massey-Green stated former Commissioner Jerry Hughes signature was not listed on the District's bank account, therefore, he should not have been signing checks. Commissioner Farmer stated he was authorized by the bank electronically.

Commissioner Farmer stated that on August 12, 1992, the Commissioners implemented rules that states who should approve and sign purchase orders and checks.

Mr. Bartley stated and displayed that all vouchers are currently being signed by 1 Commissioner and the Chief. Commissioner Tanya Farmer stated that the checks should be signed by 2 Commissioners.

Commissioner Farmer stated the Board did not vote in regards to the donation of a dollar for dollar match for the Bloomfield Raiders.

A motion was made to adjourn by Commissioner Marzouca Jaunai at 7:30 p.m. The motion was seconded and carried.