

BLUE HILLS FIRE DISTRICT

ANNUAL DISTRICT MEETING OF LEGAL VOTERS

WEDNESDAY, MAY 16, 2018

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER: The annual meeting of legal voters was called to order by Chair Ariel Marzouca-Jaunai at 7:10 pm.

PRESENT: Present at the meeting was Chair Ariel Marzouca Jaunai, Vice Chair Jacqueline Massey-Greene, Commissioner Tanya Farmer, Acting Chief Willie Jones, Interim Director of Finance and Administration Errol Bartley, District Clerk Valda Thompson, Attorney Carl Landolina and over 103 legal voters.

READING OF LEGAL NOTICE: A reading of the legal notice was conducted by District Clerk Valda Thompson and a motion was made to accept the notice as read. The motion was seconded and passed.

NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF MODERATOR: A motion was made by Vincent Jaunai to nominate Donna Banks for Moderator. The motion was seconded by Barbara Taylor. A motion was made by Edith Fein to nominate Joan Gamble for moderator. The motion was seconded by Betty Hardensen. Nominations were closed. A voice vote was taken and Joan Gamble was elected as Moderator for the 2018 Annual Meeting.

PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES: Karen Jackson, Marvin Douglas, Barbara Bagnall and Mark Manson were the presenting candidates.

CANDIDATE QUESTIONS AND ANSWER: There were multiple questions from the citizens.

ELECTION OF FIRE COMMISSIONER: Barbara Bagnall withdrew her vote, and stated that she would like all the people that would have voted for her, to vote for Mark Manson. Marvin Douglas, Karen Jackson and Mark Manson ran for election of Fire Commissioner for a 3 year term. A ballot vote was conducted, and all legal voters of the Blue Hills Fire District present were allotted the opportunity to place a vote.

Don Noell made a motion to Close the Ballot Votes. The motion was seconded by Edith Fein. The motion carried unanimously.

RECESS: Attorney Carl Landolina, Anne Wall, Mayor Suzette Brown Steve Goode and NBC Cameraman and Reporter Len Besthoff counted the ballots.

At final tally, Mark Manson was elected as Commissioner of the Blue Hills Fire District for a three-year term by a vote total of 55 ballots. Term to start July 1, 2018. Marvin Douglas tallied 39 votes. Karen Jackson tallied 3 votes. There were 6 unknown voters.

Donna Banks made a motion to Table for discussion the nomination and election of Treasurer and the Clerk. The motion was seconded by Tanya Farmer. The motion carried unanimously.

Don Noell made a motion to Table for discussion that the Town of Bloomfield take over the Finances of the Blue Hills Fire District. The motion was seconded by Ed Savage. The motion carried.

TO AUTHORIZE INTER – FUND TRANSFER: A motion was made to authorize inter-fund transfer by Edith Fein. The motion was seconded by Betty Hardersen and carried by voice vote.

TO AUTHORIZE THE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS TO BORROW MONEY TO MEET CURRENT EXPENSES: Don Noell made a motion to allow the Board of Commissioners to borrow money to meet the current expenses. The motion was seconded by Ed Savage and carried by voice vote.

TO AUTHORIZE THE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS TO APPOINT AN AUDITOR AND TAX COLLECTOR FOR THE 2017 – 2018 FISCAL YEAR: Don Noell made a motion to appoint Courtney, Fink and Forbes as Tax Collector and Auditor for the fiscal year 2018-2019. The motion was seconded by Tanya Farmer and carried by voice vote.

TO TRANSACT ANY OTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THIS MEETING: none

CITIZEN STATEMENT/COMMENTS: None

ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made and seconded to recessed the meeting at 8:45 pm.