

Siuslaw Valley Fire and Rescue
Western Lane Ambulance District
2625 Highway 101 North, Florence, OR 97439

Minutes of Special Meeting- March 2, 2019 8:30am

SVFR BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Directors Ron Green, Ned Hickson, Tony Phillips, and John Carnahan.
SVFR BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Woody Woodbury

WLAD BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Directors Mike Webb, Rick Yecny, Larry Farnsworth and Dick Childs.
WLAD BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Cindy Russell.

STAFF PRESENT: Interim Chief Abel, Dina McClure.

Director's Green and Yecny called the meeting to order at 8:30am.

Director Green called for a motion to enter into Executive Session per ORS 192.660(2)(a) to consider the employment of a public officer, employee, staff member, or individual agent. Director Green stated the following:

“This position has been publicly advertised. Regularized procedures for hiring have been adopted. The standards, criteria and policy for hiring have been adopted in an open meeting in which the public had an opportunity to comment.

Representatives of the news media shall be allowed to attend the executive session. All other members of the audience are asked to leave the room. Representatives of the news media are specifically directed not to report on any of the deliberations during the executive session, except to state the general subject of the session as previously announced. No decision may be made in executive session. At the end of the executive session, we will return to open session and welcome the audience back into the room.

Western Lane Ambulance District Board members are invited to participate in the interview process as this position is also the Chief of Western Lane Ambulance District through an Intergovernmental Agreement. The Interim Fire & EMS Chief is invited to attend to facilitate the interview process. The Office Manager is invited to attend to create a record of the meeting.”

Director Hickson made the Motion for SVFR to enter into Executive Session. Director Carnahan seconded. Roll call with all in favor.

Director Webb made the Motion for WLAD to enter into Executive Session. Director Farnsworth seconded. Roll call with all in favor.

*******The SVFR and WLAD Board of Directors were in Executive Session from 8:35am to 3:15pm*******

Special meeting reconvened at 3:20pm.

Audience Present: James Dickerson

Director Webb made the motion for WLAD to recommend Michael Schick for the next Fire and EMS Chief for SVFR's consideration, contingent upon job offer and background checks. Director Farnsworth seconded. Roll call with all in favor.

Director Carnahan made the motion to recommend Michael Schick for the next Fire and EMS Chief, contingent upon job offer and background checks. Director Phillips seconded. Roll call with all in favor.

There was consensus between both boards that they had a strong group of candidates. Several Directors complimented James Dickerson on a job well done during the assessment and interviews.

Director Green made the Motion for SVFR to adjourn at 3:25pm. Director Hickson seconded. All in favor.

Director Farnsworth made the Motion for WLAD to adjourn at 3:25pm. Director Webb seconded. All in favor.

Special meeting reconvened at 3:35pm.

Director Green directed Chief Abel to meet with Michael Schick to negotiate contract terms. There was discussion regarding which board members would meet with Schick and Abel. It was decided that Director Carnahan from SVFR and Director Yecny from WLAD would be present, and the meeting would take place at SVFR on Sunday, March 3rd at 2:00pm.

Director Farnsworth thanked Chief Abel for a smooth recruitment process.

Director's Green and Yecny adjourned the meeting at 3:45pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Dina McClure
Recording Secretary