MONARCH FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

OPEN MEETING MINUTES

MEETING DATE NOVEMBER 3, 2022

A quorum of the Board of Directors being present, the Open Meeting of the Monarch Fire Protection District for November 3, 2022, is called to Order by Director Gans at 3:45 p.m.

It is further announced that the Open Meeting of the Board of Directors is in session for the transaction of Monarch Fire Protection District business.

<u>Present at the Open Meeting</u>: Director Gans, Director Harris, Director Millner, Fire Chief Spiegel, Fire Chief Elect Adams, Assistant Chief Crews and legal counsel Matt Hoffman.

To begin the meeting, everyone in attendance rises to their feet and participates in the Pledge of Allegiance.

After a discussion by the Board of Directors and the administrative staff of the District, there are no changes to the Open Board Meeting Agenda.

It is also reported that there are no public citizen comments or questions submitted by residents of the Monarch Fire Protection District for a response from the Board of Directors or the administrative staff.

Under the Secretary's Report, after discussion during the Open Board Meeting, there are no changes to the District Board Meeting Minutes as drafted by the District's legal counsel.

Motion by Director Millner to approve the Open Board Meeting Minutes for Thursday, September 22, 2022 and Thursday, September 29, 2022. Second by Director Gans. All in favor.

Director Millner – Aye Director Gans - Aye

(2-0 vote)

Motion by Director Millner to approve the Closed Board Meeting Minutes for Thursday, September 22, 2022 and Thursday, September 29, 2022. Second by Director Gans. All in favor.

Director Millner – Aye Director Harris - Aye Director Gans - Aye (3-0 vote)

That concludes the Secretary's Report.

Under the Treasurer's Report, it is announced that there are total disbursements for the Monarch Fire Protection District for the period in the amount of \$313,866.01.

It is also announced that there are eight (8) checks over the amount of \$5,000.00, which include the following:

Air Cleaning Technologies - \$14,131.40 Clayton Holdings, LLC - \$153,000.13 E. Meier Contracting - \$61,875.00 Energy Petroleum - \$6,234.79 FeatherShark - \$6,259.98 Mediclaims - \$6,241.40 Modern Business Interiors - \$23,497.20 Montgomery Bank - \$11.731.87

Director Harris enters the Open Board Meeting at 3:57 p.m.

The disbursements are discussed in detail and it is announced that specific questions regarding the disbursements have previously been submitted by the Board of Directors to the District Controller.

Additionally, it is announced in the Open Board Meeting that a copy of the inquiries regarding the disbursements were also sent electronically to the Public File of the Monarch Fire Protection District.

After discussion, the Chief states that the checks were prepared per his recommendation and, to

his knowledge, the payments do not violate any Missouri state bidding statutes or constitute installment payments.

Motion by Director Millner to approve the disbursements/payments as prepared. Second by Director Gans. All in favor.

Director Millner – Aye Director Harris - Aye Director Gans - Aye

(3-0)

That concludes the Treasurer's Report.

Under the Chief Report, the District financial statements are discussed in detail with Controller Sowatsky. Additionally, questions are asked by the Board of Directors regarding specific line items, including expenditures for protective gear and hose replacement. The General Fund balance sheet is also reviewed and addressed by those in attendance. Fire Marshal/PIO McKay is commended for the increase in permit fees that have been generated by the District.

The bid process for the planned administrative building upgrades is also discussed with the administrative staff of the District during the Open Board Meeting and it is agreed that this matter will be addressed at a future Board Meeting.

That concludes the Chief's Report.

Motion by Director Gans to go into Closed Session in accordance with Section 610.021 of the Missouri Revised Statutes to address the following topics:

- Legal issues and advice;
- Personnel;
- Personnel records;
- Employee Group Negotiations.

Second by Director Millner. All in favor.

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Director Millner – Aye
Director Harris - Aye
Director Gans - Aye
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(3-0)

(After the Closed Meeting of the Board of Directors, the Open Meeting of the Monarch Fire Protection District is resumed as follows.)

Director Millner announces that the Board of Directors is back on the record in the Open Meeting at 4:26 p.m. following a Closed Meeting of the Monarch Fire Protection District.

Director Gans also states on the Open Meeting record that two (2) votes were taken by the Board of Directors during the Closed Board Meeting, which will be announced in accordance with the Missouri Sunshine Law.

Hearing no other District business, Motion by Director Millner to adjourn the Open Meeting of the Monarch Fire Protection District. Second by Director Harris. All in favor.

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Director Harris - Aye
Director Millner - Aye
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(2-0)

(Director Gans excused himself during the Closed Board Meeting).

The Open Board Meeting of the Monarch Fire Protection District is adjourned and off the record at 4:27 p.m.

Executed this H-H day of December, 2022.

Rick Gans, President

Robin Harris, Treasurer

Jean Millner, Secretary

(Transcribed by Mathew E. Hoffman)