

# **Central Coventry Fire District Special Board of Directors Meeting**

Coventry Senior Center, 50 Wood Street, Coventry, RI 02816

September 26, 2023, at 6:30 PM

**Directors:** Ernest Pullano-President, Russell McGillivray-Vice President, Richard Polselli, Kristen Benoit, Debra Santilli, David Lavallee, Debra Skurka-McAllister

## **Agenda**

Call to Order: Ernest Pullano, President

Pledge of Allegiance: Ernest Pullano, President

Safety Instructions: Ernest Pullano, President

Roll Call – Quorum Determination Daniel Kaplan, District Clerk

### **EXECUTIVE OR CLOSED SESSION:**

Pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws § 42-46-5 (a)(2), sessions pertaining to collective bargaining or litigation, to discuss/action:

1. Fire District re-organization plan (Discussion)

### **OPEN SESSION**

1. Approval of Fire District re-organization plan (Discussion/Action)

### **ADJOURNMENT:**

### **NEXT DISTRICT MEETING: October 19, 2023**

Coventry Senior Center

50 Wood Street

Coventry, RI 02816-8910



# Board of Directors Annual Meeting

## Attendance Sign-In Sheet

26 September 2023

### Board of Directors

### Fire District

 Ernest Pullano, President	<i>excused</i> Robert Civetti, District Treasurer
 Russell McGillivray, Vice President	Excused Mark D. Tourgee, Esq, Legal Counsel
 Richard Polselli, Director	<i>Julia A Chretien</i> Julia A. Chretien, Esq, Legal Counsel
 Kristen Benoit, Director	 Frank Brown, Chief of Department
<i>Excused</i> Debra Santilli, Director	 Daniel Kaplan, District Clerk
<i>* excused</i> David Lavalley, Director	
<del><i>Excused</i></del>  Debbie Skurka-McAllister, Director	

**CENTRAL COVENTRY FIRE DISTRICT**  
**Special Meeting of the Board of Directors**  
**September 26, 2023 @ 6:30 P. M.**

The meeting was called to order by President Pullano at 6:32 P.M. District Clerk Kaplan took a roll call for a quorum determination. Those in attendance were President Pullano, Vice President McGillivray, Director Polselli, Director Benoit, Director Skurka-McAllister, District Treasurer Civetti, Chief of Department Brown, Legal Counsel Chretien, and District Clerk Kaplan. Director Santilli, Director Lavallee, and Attorney Tourgee were excused. President Pullano led the Pledge of Allegiance and gave directions for emergency exit.

A motion to convene into Executive or Closed Session Pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws § 42-46-5 (a)(2), sessions pertaining to collective bargaining or litigation, to discuss/act upon Fire District Re-organization Plan was made by Vice President McGillivray, seconded by Director Benoit, and unanimously approved.

A motion to reconvene into public open session, announce any votes taken and to seal the minutes of this executive closed session and to keep the minutes of all prior executive closed sessions sealed was made by Vice President McGillivray, seconded by Director Polselli, and unanimously approved.

President Pullano announced the results of the voting. The Fire District Re-Organization Plan was unanimously approved.

A motion to adjourn was made by Director Santilli, seconded by Director Benoit, and unanimously approved. The meeting was adjourned at 7:05 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Daniel Kaplan  
District Clerk

# CENTRAL COVENTRY FIRE DISTRICT RE-ORGANIZATION

## OPERATIONALLY:

- \*Move to a 4 Platoon system on October 15, 2023.
- \*6-man minimum per platoon.
- \*Rescue 7 would be put out of service. Engine 7 to provide Advanced Life Support care till transport rescue arrives.
- \*Rescue 4 will be first response to the Harris section of Town with Advanced Life Support Engine from Anthony FD (Rescue Recovery \$'s to CCFD).

## CONSIDERATIONS

## BENEFITS:

- \*Health and welfare of our firefighters.
- \*Save 350K in mandatory overtime being paid (56 hours to 42 hours).
- \*Decrease firefighters leaving the department.
- \*Increase morale.