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MICHIGAN FIRE FIGHTERS TRAINING COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING
WORK SESSION – RULES

Tuesday, June 4th, 2020
1:00 PM

Virtual Meeting via Zoom

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Conference code: 629222

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Chad Tackett, Chairperson, Michigan Association of Fire Chiefs
Brian Blomstrom, Vice Chair, Michigan Fire Service Instructors Association
Lynnae White, Michigan Fire Inspectors Society
Terrance Blackmer, Michigan State Firemen's Association
Greg Janik, Michigan Municipal League
Jacob Steichen, Nominee of the State Fire Marshal
Aileen Pettinger, Michigan Professional Firefighters Union
Kevin Sehlmeier, State Fire Marshal, Ex-officio Member

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Alan Styles, Michigan Association of Fire Chiefs

BUREAU OF FIRE SERVICES STAFF PRESENT:

Andrea Keown, Department Technician, Fire Fighter Training Division/Recording Secretary
Hollie Metts, Assistant to the State Fire Marshal (virtual meeting moderator)
Dan Hammerberg, Region 1 Coordinator, Fire Fighter Training Division

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Liz Arasim, Regulatory Affairs Officer, Office of Policy and Legislative Affairs	Mark Cleveland, Egelston Twp. Fire Department
Brandon Hausbeck, Saginaw Fire Department	Mike Keefe, Allendale Fire Department
Christopher Van Loo, Saginaw Fire Department	Mike Kennedy, Ann Arbor Fire Department
Greg Flynn, West Bloomfield Fire Department	Muskegon Fire Instructors
Greg Ginebaugh, Delta Township Fire Department	Rob Ginther, Beverly Hills Public Safety
Jack White, Shelby-Benona Fire Department	Robert Bryant, West Bloomfield Fire Department
Jim Stevenson, Warren Fire Department	Robert Smith, Royal Oak Fire Department
Jim Williams, Kalamazoo Dept. Of Public Safety	Ryan Tibbets, Kalamazoo Dept. Of Public Safety
Josh Mosher, Midland Fire Department	
Liam, Carroll, Schoolcraft College RTC	

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I. CALL TO ORDER AND DETERMINATION OF QUORUM:

Before **Chairperson Tackett** called the special meeting to order, he announced a roll call vote will be done for any motion put forth to council during this meeting and read the following introduction to everyone in the virtual meeting:

In order to minimize disruptions, until the time designated by the Council for public comment, members of the public will be muted to the Council and other attendees and participants. During the time designated by the Council for public comment, members of public will no longer be muted and may participate and provide their comments by orderly speaking using the microphone on their phone. All existing Council rules regarding public comment (including rules designed to minimize disruptions and allow for full public participation) still apply.

All quorum rules still apply. In the event of a disconnection caused by the meeting host, the Council will be considered to be in recess. Every effort will be made to reestablish a publicly accessible connection. If the host is unable to do so within a period of 30 minutes from the time of the disconnection, the Council will adjourn and not address any new business until its next meeting. Any decisions made prior to the disconnection will be binding. The Council will not recess or adjourn due to technical or other issues experienced by individual members of the public that render them unable to attend or participate in the meeting.”

Chairperson Tackett called the special meeting session to order at 1:04 PM. A quorum was determined present.

II. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

20-06-01

A **MOTION** was made by **Councilperson Steichen** and seconded by **Councilperson Janik** to approve the June 4th, 2020 special meeting agenda, as presented.

A roll call vote was taken.

Chairperson Tackett – yes
Councilperson Blomstrom – yes
Councilperson Blackmer – yes
Councilperson Janik –yes
Councilperson Steichen – yes
Councilperson Pettinger – yes
Fire Marshal Sehlmeier – yes

Councilperson White – absent
Councilperson Styles – absent

Seven votes yes. **MOTION CARRIED.**

III. COMMUNICATIONS:

Fire Marshal Sehlmeier stated that there was dialogue during the Wednesday Wrap-Up regarding the Oakway Chiefs email.

Chairperson Tackett received an updated review of the Draft Administrative Rules from MAFC and emailed it to all council members on May 27th.

IV. NEW BUSINESS:

a. **Fire Fighter Training Council General Rules Update:** A revised draft of the Fire Fighter Training Council General Rules (dated May 18, 2020) was provided to the council in their meeting packets and projected for all attendees to view during the work session. FFTD Department Technician, Andrea Keown made changes to the working draft document per the discussion. The meeting resumed the draft rules with council reviewing and making edits to the disciplinary process. Fire marshal briefly spoke about RAFT certifications.

V. PUBLIC COMMENT:

Rob Ginther, Beverly Hills Public Safety: Thanked the council for their work on the rules and mention that he thoroughly enjoys the virtual meetings.

VI. COUNCIL COMMENT:

Councilperson Janik: Thanked the council for all the time spent working on the rules.

Councilperson Blomstrom: Thanked FM for the work he has done researching ProBoard and reciprocity. He looks forward to wrapping up the rules.

Councilperson Steichen: Thanked FM and staff for getting the disciplinary process for the rules done.

Councilperson Pettinger: Addressed the Oakway email, hopes that bringing in MIOSHA during the last work rules session answered a lot of questions and asks that emails that are intended to be private are not sent out to council members.

Councilperson White: Agrees with everything everyone has said. Feels the fire marshal is doing and has done a great job since taking office and that council has done a great job.

Councilperson Blackmer: None.

Fire Marshal Sehmeyer: Thanked council for the work that was done. Looks forward to meeting No. 36.

Chairperson Tackett: Appreciates everyone's time and patience. Feels that last meeting continuing education "went out the window" and thinks we need to look at all the classifications again to make sure the rules are consistent throughout.

VII. ADJOURNMENT:

20-06-02

A **MOTION** was made by **Councilperson Janik** and seconded by **Councilperson White** to adjourn the special meeting/work session.

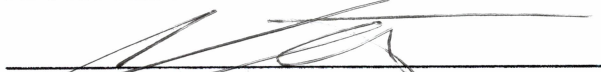
A roll call vote was taken.

Chairperson Tackett – yes
Councilperson Blomstrom – yes
Councilperson White – yes
Councilperson Janik –yes
Councilperson Steichen – yes
Councilperson Pettinger – yes
Fire Marshal Sehmeyer – yes


Councilperson Styles – absent
Councilperson Blackmer – absent

Seven votes yes. **MOTION CARRIED.** The meeting adjourned at 2:38 PM.

APPROVED:



Chairperson Tackett



Councilmember