

Pleasant Hill Goshen Fire & Rescue
Pleasant Hill Rural Fire Protection District
Goshen Rural Fire Protection District
Joint Board Work Session in Person/Zoom Meeting
February 9, 2021

Call to Order

The hybrid Joint Board Work Session (online Zoom/in station) was called to order at 5:36 p.m. by Fire Authority Board Vice President Willie Bronson.

Attending

Pleasant Hill Board Members – Via Zoom: President Ryan Martin, Secretary/Treasurer Mark Allen, and Board member Alan Mathews (at Station 501) and Darrell Shoemaker. Absent – Vice President Terry McDiarmid

Goshen Board Members – Vice Pres. Tom McClellan and Board member Steve Lovely (at station 501). Via Zoom: President Willie Bronson, Secretary/Treasurer Dan Menk, and Board member Rose Reinertson

Pleasant Hill Goshen Fire & Rescue Board Members -Via Zoom: President Ryan Martin, Vice President Willie Bronson, Secretary/Treasurer Dan Menk and Board member Darrell Shoemaker.

Staff

Via Zoom: Fire Chief Andrew Smith, Division Chief Barnhart, and Bonnie Graham

Chief Smith presented to the Boards Work Session Recommendation Considerations for FY 21/22

- **Funding Split of 55/45**
 - Will be our last year/last budget before it becomes P54//G46 permanently.
 - Fire Authority will have to cover a PERS bill of \$28,775 with a little more to come on behalf of Goshen in back PERS for improper reporting over a duration of 10 years. Fire Authority had to pay PH's in the amount of roughly \$10,2200 previously.
 - Fire Authority plans for newsletter costs as needed and potential legal fees.
 - This template looks to create 2-3% cost reduction for Goshen and will subsequently cost Pleasant Hill the same 2-3% next fiscal year for Operations
- **Fire Authority Budget Strategy:**
 - Consider5 funds for newsletter /legal cost as we move forward in prep of the election
 - Budget and address the brush unit this year that was previously cancelled. (Progressive Step forward)
 - Maintain staffing model and address the admin staffing changes (this budget does)
 - Reduce other costs as possible.
 - Budget and reserve some funds for grant matches if awarded. (AFG)

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- **Pleasant Hill Budget Strategy:**
 - District focuses funds on process for development of a construction/capital plan for replacement of the Pleasant Hill Station and determining the cost.
 - Pleasant Hill also deal with the fence issue at 502, its **imminent**.
 - Take necessary steps to plan for a fire station including finding an architect/engineer.
- **Goshen Budget Strategy:**

Plan funds future expansion and reserve; no immediate actions at this point.
Goshen, support the efforts to develop plans for future growth and fire station and the PAC.
Potential for costs associated to the septic/drain field challenges. (still under review)
- **All Parties:**

Be prepared with answers for the questions that came up in the previous election.
Empower the PAC to take a stand for what this means and fire up volunteers
Consider true cost of why vs. why not with the big change being the fire station and the staffing of said fire station.
Review and consider update of the existing strategic plan
Block out all distractions possible as independent Districts to focus on what the final means for ALL PARTIES/COMMUNITES.
Do not start TOO premature with the primary publications. (Last time)
Fire Authority Board for next FY MUST be the most aggressive and available Board members to help propel this TOGETHER.

Included a sample Budget projections and Fiscal considerations for 2021-2022

Willie Bronson provided input on keeping the financial split 56%/44% for another year, instead of being distracted by getting to the 50/50 split. Need to move forward in planning new fire station cost and having a plan to provide for the public.

Discussion about how to educate the patrons of Pleasant Hill on the annexation and what they are getting in return.

Suggestions:

Quarterly newsletters, Open Houses (COVID-19 allowing), use of Social Media (Website, Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, and Next-Door Pleasant Hill)

The focus and effort need to be Annexation.

Meeting was closed.

Bonnie Graham

Recording Secretary

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