

September 11, 2023 @ 6:02pm

Special Meeting

Present – Chair Jon Auge; Supervisors Bob Steele, Jim Roach; Treasurer Mary Zabilla; clerk A. Anderson.

Zoom – Human Resource Attorney Bob Alsop with Kennedy & Graven

Not Present – Fire Chief Eric Makowski

Called to Order – J. Auge called the Special Meeting to order at 6:02pm.

Accordingly, J. Auge made a **motion (1)** to **Close** the meeting pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 13D.05, subdivision 2(b) for consideration of allegations or charges against the Fire Chief, an individual subject to the Town Board's authority. Motion seconded by B. Steele. Motion carried; all were in favor.

The closed portion of the meeting commenced.

Upon completion of the closed portion of the meeting. J. Auge made a **motion (2)** to **reopen** the Special Meeting at 6:17pm.

After review of the investigative report prepared by Mary Dobbins of Landrum Dobbins LLC; B. Steele made a **motion (3)** to adopt Resolution 2023-14 Terminating the Employment of Eric Makowski-Budrow as Fire Chief. Motion seconded by J. Auge. Motion carried; all were in favor.

The Board reviewed a draft letter of termination, as well as a statement from the town board, which were approved by our attorneys. B. Steele made a **motion (4)** to approve the letter of termination and statement of the town board. Motion seconded by J. Roach. Motion carried; all were in favor.

There was further discussion regarding E. Makowski's training company Blue Fire LLC; with J. Auge commenting there are concerns with Blue Fire's use of Station II in Center Township. Supervisor Steele will address our concerns with Center Township.

J. Roach made a **motion (5)** to adjourn the Special Meeting at 6:27pm; seconded by B. Steele. Motion carried; all were in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Anna Anderson
Clerk

Jon Auge
Chair