

# **MINUTES**

## **ORANGE COUNTY FIRE AUTHORITY**

**Budget and Finance Committee Meeting**  
**Wednesday, October 8, 2014**  
**12:00 Noon**

**Regional Fire Operations and Training Center**  
**Room AE117**  
**1 Fire Authority Road**  
**Irvine, CA 92602**

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### **CALL TO ORDER**

A regular meeting of the Orange County Fire Authority Budget and Finance Committee was called to order on October 8, 2014, at 12:00 p.m. by Chair Bressette.

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Director Weinberg led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance to our Flag.

### **ROLL CALL**

#### **Present:**

Sam Allevato, San Juan Capistrano  
Randal Bressette, Laguna Hills  
Trish Kelley, Mission Viejo  
Jerry McCloskey, Laguna Niguel  
Al Murray, Tustin  
Elizabeth Swift, Buena Park  
Steven Weinberg, Dana Point

#### **Also present were:**

Fire Chief Jeff Bowman  
Assistant Chief Lori Smith  
Assistant Chief David Thomas  
Human Resources Director Jeremy Hammond

Deputy Chief Craig Kinoshita  
Assistant Chief Brian Stephens  
Communications Director Sandy Cooney  
Clerk of the Authority Sherry Wentz

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Chair Bressette opened the Public Comments portion of the meeting. Chair Bressette closed the Public Comments portion of the meeting without any public comments.

## **MINUTES**

### **1. Minutes for the September 10, 2014, Budget and Finance Committee Meeting**

On motion of Director Weinberg and second by Director Murray, the Committee voted unanimously to approve the Minutes of the September 10, 2014, Budget and Finance Committee Meeting, as submitted. Chair Bressette noted his abstention, due to his absence from this meeting.

## **CONSENT CALENDAR**

No items.

## **DISCUSSION CALENDAR**

### **2. Monthly Investment Reports**

Treasurer Patricia Jakubiak provided an overview of the Monthly Investment Reports.

On motion of Director Allevato and second by Director Murray, the Committee voted unanimously to direct staff to place the item on the agenda for the Executive Committee meeting of October 16, 2014, with the Budget and Finance Committee's recommendation that the Executive Committee receive and file the reports.

### **3. Monthly Status Update – Orange County Employees' Retirement System**

Treasurer Patricia Jakubiak provided a monthly status update on the Orange County Employees' Retirement System.

On motion of Director Murray and second by Director Swift, the Committee voted unanimously to receive and file the report and directed staff to present future status reports on a quarterly-basis.

### **4. Internal Control Review on Request for Proposal Process**

Finance Manager Jim Ruane provided an overview on internal control reviews and introduced Brian Gruber, CPA for Lance, Soll & Lunghard, who provided a report on the audit for the request for proposal process.

On motion of Director Swift and second by Director McCloskey the Committee voted unanimously to direct staff to place the item on the agenda for the Executive Committee meeting of October 16, 2014, with the Budget and Finance Committee's recommendation that the Executive Committee receive and file the report.

## 5. 2014 Long Term Liability Study

Treasurer Patricia Jakubiak provided a PowerPoint presentation on the 2014 Long Term Liability Study.

On motion of Director Allevato and second by Director Weinberg, the Committee voted unanimously to place the item on the agenda's Consent Calendar for the Board of Director's meeting of October 23, 2014, with the Budget and Finance Committee's recommendations that the Board of Directors:

1. Receive and file the report.
2. Direct staff to continue the Expedited Pension Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability (UAAL) Payment Plan to achieve long-term savings in pension costs.
3. Direct staff to evaluate potential cost saving options for OCFA healthcare plans offered to retirees in an effort to lower Retiree Medical costs.
4. Direct staff to continue seeking cost saving options related to Worker's Compensation, including the recently implemented Alternative Dispute Resolution Program.

## REPORTS

There were no items to report.

## COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS

Director Swift reported on the City of Buena Park's upcoming Silverado Days celebration scheduled for October 17-19.

Director Allevato reminded the Committee of the upcoming Ortega Highway freeway overpass construction closure in San Juan Capistrano. He thanked staff for their assistance in locating a temporary fire station on the east side of the highway during this construction project.

Chair Bressette requested an update on the Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) System outage that occurred last evening. Assistant Chief Brian Stephens provided a brief update to the Committee. Chair Bressette reported on his and Board Chair Murray's attendance at the Orange County Firefighter's Memorial Service.

Fire Chief Bowman apologized for his tardiness to today's meeting, due to this morning's Trabuco Canyon Fire, and reported that the fire had been quickly contained.

**ADJOURNMENT** – Chair Bressette adjourned the meeting at 1:06 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Budget and Finance Committee is scheduled for Wednesday, November 5, 2014, at 12:00 noon.

  
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Sherry A. F. Wentz, CMC  
Clerk of the Authority